From: Ministry of Information, Venceremos
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

For information call: Jeff Youdelman 323-0330 or 321-2300 est 3833

English professor Bruce Franklin today cast servous doubt on the testimony of prosecution witness Alan T. Waterman, Jr., a Stanford University professor of electrical engineering.

Professor Waterman had destified in some detail concerning
Franklin's alleged activities in the vicinity of the Stanford
computer center last February 10. Waterman concluded that
Franklin was "definitely not behaving like a faculty observer"
to the occupation **RRAIR** of the computer center, and that as
Franklin passed the skirmish line of Santa Clara County
sheriffs men, "he put his mouth very close to every third or
fourth policeman and shouted 'pig.'"

In cross-examination, however, Franklin demonstrated that Waterman's research is extirx funded by the Department of Defense. "Professor Waterman has a very dear, personal interest in getting me the hell outta here," Franklin told the Advisory Committee hearing his case. "He is out-and-out lying. His testimony is prejudiced."

Waterman admitted that, if the anti-war movement at Stanford had been successful in getting military research removed from campus, at least one of his contracts with the Department of Defense would have been threatened directly. In fact, Waterman confessed, if the movement were successful <u>all</u> of his research would have to be reoriented until funding for the current work could be found from agencies other than the military.

Waterman, a specialist in the propagation of electromagnetic waves, has undertaken considerable research which is peimarily applicable by the army and ax air force which sponsor the research. The Department of Defense statement on the purpose of the research is itself classified, as Bruce Franklin pointed out in cross-examination. Waterman said he knew of known no reason for this classification, but

research is "in no way basic," and would probably be most useful to the military in developing the military in developing the military so-called electronic battlefield which is taking over the air war in Southeast Asia. Waterman admitted, under intense questioning, that his research was useful for electronic countermeasures.

"Would you consider the manufacture of weapons inside a classroom grounds for dismissal of an instructor?" Franklin finally asked Waterman. Flustered, Waterman said he thought such action would be "inappropriate behavior" and would raise the question of dismissal action. But Waterman insisted that the electronic countermeasure equipment on which he works, which is responsible for the deaths of thousands of Vietmamese civilians, is "not necessarily" a weapon.