TO:All IS MembersFROM:Pam W.RE:Convention 1976DATE:June 18, 1976

The 1976 IS Convention will be held at the Michigan Inn in several spacious, well air-conditioned meeting rooms. For those comrades familiar with Detroit, this motel is located on the West side of Detroit, next to Northland Shopping Center, just off the Lodge Freeway at 9 Mile Road. It is about a 10–15 minute drive from the NO.

We are holding the convention in this motel because it will, in fact, be the cheapest and most comfortable way: the meeting rooms for the actual convention will be FREE, as long as sufficient numbers of comrades, both from out of town and from Detroit, stay in the motel.

Room rates for the Michigan Inn are as follosw:

\$15 for a single (one person staying in a room with a double bed);

\$18 for a double (two people staying in a room with a king-firs bed);

\$20 for a triple (three people staying in a room with 2 double beds);

\$24 for a guad (four people staying in a room with 2 double beds).

Children under 18 years old staying in the room with their parents are free.

Parking is free. All of the rooms are equipped with air conditioning (that works), color TV's, full baths and showers, etc. In addition, the Michigan Inn has both a sauna and a swimming pool, free to all registered guests. While we realize that these room rates are certainly not cheap for our comrades, we feel that they are possible for the majority of the members of the organization.

We STRONGLY urge every comrade who can afford it to stay in the Michigan Inn. First, because the IS needs you to, in order to be able to hold the convention in the meeting rooms for free. Second, because you will be MUCH more comfortable if you stay at the motel--comrades who have attended past conventions will recall all too well the sometimes hectic pace, sleeping on floors, waiting for a bathroom, and most most of all, the heat and the humidity. The 1976 convention can be a real "turn"--in the direction of enjoyable conventions that aren't thoroughly exhausting. Third, it will be much more convenient for you--you will be right at the site of the convention, without having to schlep around Detroit freeways morning and night. (If you need more convincing, please call mel)

ATTENTION: The motel is being told that this is a WORKERS' POWER Convention. Comrades should refer to it as such to motel employees, refer to themselves as WORKERS' POWER conventioneers, etc. Please don't forget. Convention 1975 Page 2

For these comrades whe really cannot afford the motel and need housing in the Detroit district, comrades here will provide whatever beds, couches, rugs and sleeping space on floors that they can. You should notify me immediately (see attached form) if you need housing provided.

If you decide to stay at the Michigan Inn, ask your organizer for a pre-registration reservation form, fill it out, and send it in to the Michigan Inn IMMEDIATELY.

For comrades coming from out of town, there will be NO REGISTRATION FEE for the convention. For Detroit comrades who are NOT staying at the Michigan Inn, there will be a \$5 pcr day or \$10-for-the-whole-convention registration charge; Detroit comrades who stay in the motel will pay no registration.

Also attached to this letter is a convention agenda, a travel map, instructions for arrival/departure for out of town comrades, information on childcare, forms for housing, arrival/departure, and childcare requests. Once you arrive in Detroit and register for the convention, information about coffee shops, restaurants, liquor stores, etc., near the convention site will be available.

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Looking forward to seeing ya'll soon.

Comradely,

Pam W.

# 1976 CONVENTION AGENDA

	AGENDA	
FRIDAY JULY 2 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm	Meeting of the National Committee(closed)	The Boardroom
SATURDAY JULY <sup>#</sup> 9 am - 10 am	Registration	Great Lakes Foyer
10 am - Noon	National Secretary's Report	Michigan Room
Noon - 2:30 pm	Lunch Break Black Caucus Meeting	The Boardroom
2:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Fraction Meetings: Telephone Steël Auto Teamsters Postal	St. Clair I St. Clair II St. Clair III St. Clair IV & V The Boardroom
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Dinner Break	\$
7:30 pm - 10:30 pm	Resolutions on Economic and Political Perspectives	Michigan Room
10:30 pm - 2 am	PARTY	Great Lakes Foyer
SUNDAY JULY 4 9 am - Noon	Resolutions on Steps Toward Building the Party	Michigan Room
Noon - 2:30 pm	Lunch Break Women's Caucus Meeting	Michigan Room
2:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Fraction Meatings (as on Saturday)	
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Dinner Break	
7:30 pm - 10:30 pm	Resolutions on the IS in the Class Struggle	Michigan Room
10:30 pm – Midnight	PARTY	Great Lakes Foyier

# MONDAY JULY 5

9 am - Noon	Resolutions on International Perspectives	Michigan Room
Noon - 1:00 pm	Lunch Break	
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Organizational Business Meeting	Michigan Room
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Meeting of the National Committee (closed)	The <b>Board</b> room



## ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE INFORMATION FOR OUT-OF-TOWN COMRADES

I am assuming that the majority of you will arrive in town sometime Friday, either during the day or the evening. If you are arriving earlier, or need some special arrangements made for you, you MUST let me know in advance.

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### 1. IF YOU ARE DIVING AND STAYING IN THE MICHIGAN INN:

You will already have made reservations and should simply follow the travel map, go directly to the motel, and check in. I will be in the motel starting Friday, July 2 at 10 am; you should ask for the OFFICE of the WORKERS' POWER Convention to get in touch with me.

## 2. IF YOU ARE DRIVING AND NEED HOUSING IN THE DISTRICT:

You should follow the travel map to the general neighborhood of the IS National Office... Then call the following phone number: 865-5243. There will be someone at this phone number starting at 9 am on Friday on thru till Saturdaymorning at 9 am. The person there will give you instructions and assign you housing.

#### 3. IF YOU ARE FLYING:

You should take the airport limousine to the downtown Greyhound Bus Station, at a cost of \$3.50. Comrades arriving by bus and by plane will then be picked up from the Greyhound station and taken either to the Michigan Inn or housing in the district.

### 4. IF YOU ARE RIDING A BUS

As above, you will be picked up at the Greyhound station and taken to where you need to go.

#### 5. TE YOU ARE RIDING THE TRAINE

You will be picked up at the train station and taken to where you need to go.

ALL COMRADES, regardless of how they are arriving or where they are staying, need to fill out the ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE INFORMATION FORM, and have it in to the National Office by June 28. If you won't know the details of your arrival till after that, or if your plans change after you have already sent the information to me, YOU MUST CALL ME and notify me. You can call me at the National Office Monday thru Friday from 10 am to 6 pm at 313-869-3137; other times, call me at home ct 313-874-3650. You should make every possible effort to let me know this information IN ADVANCE--calling me at 3 am Friday night from the bus station when I didn't expect you then, you will run the risk of spending your first night in Detroit in the bus station.

## CHILDCARE INFORMATION

CHILDCARE will be provided throughout the entire convention—that is, from 9:30 am Saturday till 2 am that night, from 8:30 am Sunday till midnight that night, and from 8:30 am till 3 pm on Monday.

Childcare will be at two different locations, at Elissa and Neil's for younger children (probably 5 yrs. and younger), and at Dave and Marcia's for older kids (probably 6 yrs. and older). In both places, swimming will be available for the children (bring swim suits). Various trip to local points of interest are being organized.

There will be car pools leaving directly from the Michigan Inn to take the children to childcare, and to bring them back there in the evenings (afternoon on Monday). Cars will leave from the Michigan Inn Saturday morning at 9:30 am, Sunday morning at 8:30 am, Monday morning at 8:30 am. The car pools will bring the kids back to the Michigan Inn at 2 am Sata night, at midnight Sunday night, and at 3 pm on Monday afternoon.

For comrades not staying at the Michigan Inn, you can either bring your kids to the Michigan Inn to ride in the carpools, or you can take them to the appropriate location yourself if you prefer. All comrades can also pick their children up themselves at any time if they want to.

The children will be fed lunches and dinners at childcare; you will need to feed your kid(s) breakfast each day yourself. We will have to charge you \$5 for the cost of feeding your child 3 lunches and 2 dinners. This food fee is payable when you register for the convention.

Parents of infants should provide their own diapers and formula, bottles, etc.

ATTENTION: It is of course extremely important that you fill out the CHILDCARE REQUEST FORM, one for each child you will be bringing to the convention, and send it in by June 28. For us to have good quality childcare, we have to plan it in advance, and we can't do a 'good job of planning without your help. ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE INFORMATION FORM DUE TO THE NATIONAL OFFICE BY JUNE 28

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ARRIVING BY: CAR BUS	
EXACT DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL: (include airline and flight <sup>#</sup> if flying)	
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EXACT DATE AND TIME OF DEPARTURE: _ (include airline and flight <sup>#</sup> if flying)	

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YOU HAVE A CAR? YES NO IF "NO,"
HOW AND WHEN WILL YOU ARRIVE IN DETROIT?
YOU BE BRINGING A SLEEPING BAG? YES NO
REQUEST ON WHERE TO STAY? IF SO, WHERE?
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