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On April 2, 1973, a source, who has provided reliable information in the past, provided a xerox copy of VVAW Newsletter Number Four dated March 25, 1973. This newsletter bears the letterhead of the VVAW National Office, 827 West Newport, Chicago, Illinois, 60657, telephone number (312) 935-2129. Topics included are an update of the Wounded Knee situation, various VVAW regional news, and a reference to VVAW Newsletter Number Three, which advised VVAW members "DON'T TALK TO THE GODDAMN FBI!". A copy of this newsletter is attached.

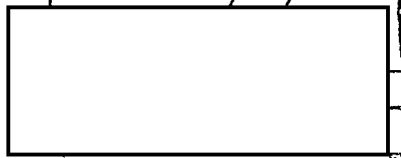
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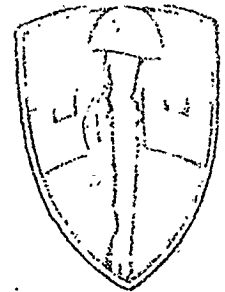
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Newsletter #4

March 25, 1973

GENERAL INFORMATION

Wounded Knee 1973 - Update -

The situation at Wounded Knee between the feds and the citizens of the Independent Oglala Nation remains stalemated. Since the last newsletter, the government has presented a four-page proposal which amounted to nothing more than unconditional surrender, which the Indians naturally refused. The government remains adamant in not taking the demands of the Indians seriously. Government forces have been beefed-up around the perimeter of Wounded Knee. BIA Indian police have been called in in large numbers from reservations from around the country and are serving, at least for the time being, as a back-up force. There have been a couple of heavy firefights this past week, fortunately, without any casualties. Contrary to media reports, most of the shooting has been between the feds firing at one another from different positions. They really don't know what they are doing and they are also afraid. As a consequence, they have been real trigger happy. The feds are so inept, that when they fire off flares at night, they sometimes shoot them up into the wind, only to have them come down on their own positions. (They must have been trained by the ARVNs.)

One tactic being used by the government is to make it appear that the families of Wounded Knee do not support the take-over and declaration of sovereignty. These families were the ones who requested AIM to come in, in the first place. Last week when the roadblocks were temporarily lifted, the government told the residents that they would be free to go into Pine Ridge for food, laundry, etc., and that they would also be free to re-enter Wounded Knee. When the people tried to get back, however, they were denied access to their homes and were forced to take shelter in Pine Ridge. Many families are now cut off from their homes. One family of twelve is being forced to live in one small room. The government did this without any regard for the welfare of these families or their right to enter or leave their homes whenever they wish just so the American public would be duped into thinking AIM was in Wounded Knee without the consent of the people living there.

Inside the sovereign nation, construction has been progressing at a fast pace. In one week's time, close to 100 bunk beds have been built, fourteen new rooms have been erected, an underground warehouse has been established, hides of cows slaughtered for food are being held in areas ranging from first-aid to the use of weapons. The evenings consist of meetings of the entire community with information exchange, singing and various other cultural activities being enjoyed.

Friday evening, March 16th, 349 people were sworn in as citizens of the new nation including 189 Oglalas, 160 Indians from other tribes, Chicanos and several whites and blacks. Fourteen other Indian nations have also issued Declarations of Independence.

People should not attempt, under any circumstances, to enter the Wounded Knee area. The feds have sealed the area off pretty effectively and all you are going to do is get busted. The legal defense committee has already got its hands full dealing with the 175 people that have already been busted and they don't need the additional strain on their resources. Their first priority is handling the legal needs of the Indian people. They can't do an effective job if they have to be diverted to getting other people out of the joint.

The Commo Center in Rapid City has been deluged with people coming in that don't want to do anything except hang around. Facilities are extremely scarce, so they don't want more people coming in than they have room for. There has also been a few weird, adventurist people coming in falsely claiming to be with VVAW that have caused a lot of trouble and create friction with the Indians. So, the support center has requested that if you have any skills that can contribute to the support center and want to go, contact the National Office first, and we'll clear it with the people in Rapid City. They have urgently requested the following supplies for their office and for the people in Wounded Knee: medical supplies, food, money and office supplies: mimeo, pens, paper and again people skilled in office or medical work, paralegals, etc. Many chapters of VVAW have already brought in large amounts of supplies for the Indians, including Milwaukee, St. Louis, Kansas City, Buffalo and Missoula, Montana.

VVAW has taken part in many demonstrations around the country in support of the Independent Oglala Nation. Listed below are the ones we have knowledge of:

March 17 - Mt. Rushmore - Approximately 125 people including 75 from VVAW were blocked from Mt. Rushmore by the police who bulldozed snow on the road and then declared the road impassible.

March 21 - DeKalb, Ill. - Over 50 people participated in a silent vigil at Northern Illinois campus. Included was a short Indian prayer about Wounded Knee 1890.

New Orleans, La. - 25 people from VVAW and NAM picketed the FBI building in support of Wounded Knee.

San Francisco and Los Angeles, Calif. - VVAW took part in demonstrations and rallies in support of the Independent Oglala Nation.

The following addresses are important for you to have:

Commo Center
208 11 St.
SD 57701

Wounded Knee Defense Committee
1563 Kellogg Road
Rapid City, SD 57701
(605) 348-3326

(605) 348-1005

Branson-Savage Bust - An update -

Another tactic used by the feds to try to break up support for the people inside of Wounded Knee was to arrest anyone in the area who looked like a supporter or potential supporter of the Indians, lock them up for a few days and then release them on bail with the stipulation that they must leave the area immediately. Over two hundred people were dealt with in this manner. Once in Jail, the POWs were heavily intimidated by the feds in hope of scaring them off for good. But, as always, this just served to make the people's will to resist and fight against the oppression that much stronger.

In response to a request from reliable persons in the struggle around Wounded Knee, the National Collective decided to send two representatives, Bill Branson and Bart Savage, to the Wounded Knee area for the purposes of gathering information and to express solidarity with the people of the Independent Oglala Nation.

Bill and Bart were arrested in the vicinity of Wounded Knee on March 13th by FBI agents and federal marshalls at a roadblock on Big Foot Road. They were charged with interfering with and impeding the official duties of federal marshalls. This charge is a felony and carries a maximum of five years in the can and/or a \$10,000 fine. The official duties of the marshalls were to man the roadblock and search every car that came up to it. Bill and Bart, having their car searched, in effect were interfering and impeding the marshalls from carrying out their official directives. (Catch-22)

They were taken to jail in Pine Ridge, to await transportation to Rapid City. They spent three days there including the first night sleeping on the cement floor with no blankets during a big blizzard and the windows open. One old man had to be rushed to the hospital with pneumonia the next day as a result of this.

They rode up to Rapid City on Friday with four Indian Brothers including a Cheyenne medicine man. They got there in time for their arraignment and bail hearing at 4PM. The US attorney was asking for \$50,000 bail each. He asked for the high bail because he didn't believe that if released they would leave the area but he also felt that if they left the area, they wouldn't return for trial. Logically, his solution was for them to stay in jail until their trial date. The magistrate, being a great humanitarian and defender of the oppressed, lowered the bail to a measely \$5,000 each.

On Monday afternoon another bail hearing was held. The situation was a little different this time. Every cell in Rapid City and Pine Ridge was completely filled. They were forced to transfer some of the people to Deadwood. So nine people, including Bart and Bill were released on their own recognizance. The conditions of the bail included that they had to leave the state immediately. During their stay in custody, they were questioned by the FBI in Pine Ridge and again in Rapid City. Each session lasted just long enough for them to read the two their rights and for Bart and Bill to tell them THAT THEY HAD NOTHING TO SAY. As of yet, no trial date has been set.

POWER TO AIM! POWER TO THE INDIANS!! POWER TO THE PEOPLE!!!

National Collective Member in Cuba -

Charly Gray, of the National Collective, recently departed this office for Cuba as a member of the Venceremos Brigade. The Brigade is an organization that annually sends American youth to Cuba where they learn about the Cuban revolution and see how the Cuban people live. Charly will be in Cuba, with the Brigade, for about two months building housing for Cuban workers and their families somewhere outside of Havana. While the National Collective will really miss Charly during her stay in Cuba, the experience she gains will be an asset to the entire organization when she returns. The way the Cuban people have solved the problems facing their society and the way they have improved the lives of all their people holds a lot of lessons that all of us in VVAW can learn from. HASTA LA VICTORIA SIEMPRE! SOLIDARITY WITH THE CUBAN PEOPLE!!

VVAW's Vietnam Victory Poster -

The poster on the back page of WINTER SOLDIER, "The People of Vietnam Have Been Victorious on the Battlefield," has been reproduced and can be obtained from the National Collective. The poster is 17" x 22" and in the same colors as shown on the newspaper. VVAW chapters should buy them from this office at a cost of three for a dollar, postage included. Other movement organizations can get them from us for 50¢ each, plus postage. Chapters can sell them for whatever price they decide on but the general price we are asking for the public is \$1.00 each. Please send the money in advance to this office. We are setting a minimum order of \$1.00 for each chapter that wants the posters, (which means that you have to order at least three.)

US Committee to Aid the NLF-SVN -

The enclosed literature and brochures are from the US Committee to Aid the NLF-SVN. This group is based in New York City and has consistently provided VVAW and other movement organizations with information concerning the situation in the South of Vietnam. They do not charge anything for much of their literature and the rest is nominal in cost. We would suggest that any chapter that is interested in obtaining good leaflets and information on the struggle of the Vietnamese people should contact them. If it is at all possible for you to send along a little bread with your orders, do it. They've earned it. The address is: US Committee to Aid the NLF-SVN, Box C, C1, Chelsea Station, New York, New York 10011. The phone number is (212) YU2-7162.

DON'T TALK TO THE FBI -

During the past few months we have been getting a steady flow of reports of FBI agents contacting VVAW people around the country. During the past few months we have concurrently been putting out a steady stream of advice: DON'T TALK TO THE GODDAMN FBI! Nonetheless we continue to get calls from righteous brothers and sisters telling us how they just talked with FBI agent so and so but that "they didn't learn anything they didn't already know." Somewhere there seems to be a communication gap in this steady stream of advice. So, here we go again. (PLEASE REFER TO NEWSLETTER #3 WHICH REPRINTED AN ARTICLE FROM KENT STATE VVAW ABOUT HOW TO DEAL WITH THE FBI.)

Elgin Slide Show -

The Elgin, Illinois Chapter has updated its slide show, presented at the Chicago National Steering Committee, since the cease-fire, and it is now entitled, "An Honorable Peace?". Copies can be purchased, complete with sound track for \$25. The rate is \$60 for people outside of this organization. If you want to order a copy, you must send the money in advance as they need it to get the slides processed. The address in Elgin is: Elgin VVAW c/o Dave Thompson, 151 S. State, Elgin, Illinois 60120. The phone number is: (312) 697-6517.

REGIONAL NEWSDeKalb, Illinois Report -

Now that DeKalb is going to be the regional office (effective after the April NSCM) people should know where we came from. The catalyst for our development was the mining of Haiplong. Tom Litney and Stan Taylor got together and decided it was time to get things going. Since then, we have grown to about 18 active members. The chapter began with rallies, Armed Forces Day action, trips to Cairo, the Republican Convention, mass leafleting, and participation in marches. Our most successful action was an anti-recruiting guerrilla theater put on in the University Center with the help of Bart Savage and Joe Petzel.

We have spent most of our time and efforts in educating ourselves and others, and in conjunction with this we are developing a revolutionary library. We worked with the DeKalb Anti-war Workgroup whose membership was in large part VVAW members. We showed slides and movies, brought in speakers, and held an information fair. We are having exchange sessions with Indonesian students and rap sessions on the ten objectives. We have set up information tables, have written papers on various subjects, met with several classes and had a lot of individual raps.

We have a PVS program started and are compiling a regional manual of guidelines and information, and have recruited help from the University Health Center's psychiatric staff as a referral service. We have also made ourselves available to the community for help with VA hassles, bad discharges and general hassles, (ie, support for the Powerpoint Basketball team that was kicked out of their intramural league because they didn't believe in the university's macho, competitive philosophy of sports). Our chapter has also supported black teacher Dmitra Gronemeier in her fight against the sexist, racist staff who fired her for her refusal to play their game.

We have come to recognize the need to live as brothers and sisters and develop our politics collectively. The chapter is now run by a collective leadership with a rotating coordinatorship to do the shit work. We began a volleyball team in a men's intramural league with women on the team, but have not been confronted because the other teams have failed to show up. Soon, we may be getting a house for the collective to live in.

As a chapter we hope and look forward to VVAW's eventual conversion to a Winter Soldier organization. We intend to struggle for as long as it takes or to the end of our lives, whichever comes first. We feel the ten objectives can best be obtained by an organization such as Winter Soldier suggests, which can best utilize the available talent.

San Jose, Calif. Report -

The Redwood City Chapter is actively supporting the Farm Worker's boycott by picketing a local Safeway store one day a week. We are also spreading information about the Farah pants strike and the closing of our county hospital, which has been threatened by the county health department. The chapter has become active in other community organizations; our members participate in a night child care center, the People's Food Co-op, the Chino Defense Committee, the Neighborhood Development Council, and one of the brothers, Frank Milatzo, was just hired by People's Medical Center as an organizer for community fund raising. Frank has also put together a People's News Service which receives input from the local movement groups as well as sources such as Asian News Service. He passes on the information through a weekly talk show on a cable TV channel, a weekly news show on the Stanford University radio station, and through some contacts that he has developed at a commercial FM station and at KPFA (Pacifica) in Berkeley. Another vet, Jesse Young, has some programming going at Foothill College radio station. The value of this could be demonstrated by a visit of someone from the Gainesville Defense Committee, for example, at which time we could make tapes for use at the cable TV station, as well as three or four radio stations.

The chapter has several members at nearby Canada College where the VVAW will sponsor a Political Awareness Film Program. Some vets there also laid a list of demands on the Junior College Board. While they haven't fired the College President yet, one immediate response was provisions for a Free Speech Hour each day.

Looking ahead, a consensus of opinion would show that the members are willing to mobilize for actions like Thieu's visit to San Clemente, but as the situation in Indochina has changed, so we must change. We expect to continue our involvement in other progressive organizations and community issues and thereby learn to better serve the people.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin Report -

In response to a growing need among people in our community due to the rising cost of food, VVAW has begun an East Side outlet of the Milwaukee Food Buying Co-op. In the true sense of 'serve the people', we are trying to establish viable alternatives to the government, and at the same time educating people as to the reasons for our doing this.

So far, the response from the people has been absolutely incredible. In four weeks our total order has jumped from \$86 to \$189, with 15 family units participating. The reason for this being a 15¢ to 20¢ saving on each item on the list. We are acquiring a storefront in the neighborhood on May 1st, so that we can further expand our operations to SERVE THE PEOPLE!

Upcoming Events

- March 31 - Home With Honor Parade - NYC VVAW
- April 1-2 - Thieu Demonstration - San Clemente - California VVAW
- April 7 - Cairo Supply Convoy and Rally - St. Louis and Kansas VVAW
- April 13 - 15 - Wisconsin Regional Meeting -
- April 19-23 - National Steering Committee Meeting - Placitas, NM

NATIONAL OFFICE REPORTS -

\$50,000 Bail Set For Gary Lawton -

Recent developments in the trial of Gary Lawton, Nehemiah Jackson and Larry Gardner have given cause for some limited optimism that these three brothers might be getting out of jail. After having been flatly denied bail for almost two years, the court has finally set a bail of \$50,000 for each of the defendants. While most courts would have immediately released them on personal recognizance before the 9-3 verdict for acquittal in their first trial, it does nonetheless represent a small victory that they now at least have a chance of getting released on bond. The problem of actually raising the \$150,000 is something else altogether!

The trial itself has been scheduled for May 14th in the city of Riverside. To date no judge has been chosen to hear the case. Moving the trial from Indio to Riverside will certainly be a big help to the defense, given the increased visibility and community support they will receive there. John Thorn, George Jackson's old lawyer, was Gary's attorney for the pretrial motions for the second trial. Gary is still without a lawyer for the trial itself but a few attorneys are seriously considering taking the case.

Generally, the RPD is continuing its harassment of the defense effort and of the brothers in jail. Gary's health has improved somewhat but still is subjected to regular abuse by the guards. In addition, seven RPD officers recently broke into the home of a member of the Riverside Political Prisoners Defense Committee without giving any reason for the incident. The officer heading up this squad was Terrence, the same person that headed up the police unit that investigated the Gary Lawton case for the RPD.

The primary problem facing the defense effort, however, is financial. The fundraising situation is desperate. Unless each man can raise the \$50,000 bond, they will be forced to stay in jail for the duration of their second trial. Since the first trial lasted six months, longer than any criminal trial in the history of Riverside or San Bernadino Counties, and since Gary has already spent 23 months in jail - Larry and Nehemiah 17 months - this isn't a very pleasing situation. Without the \$150,000, Gary, Larry and Nehemiah will be forced to stay in jail. They need help raising bail! Send contributions to: Riverside Political Prisoners Defense Committee, PO Box 5154, San Bernadino, California 92412. FREE GARY LAWTON! FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!!

Research Department Report:

The purpose of the research department is to keep us informed of current developments and trends in US policy and war related technological developments. As we assimilate various data, certain lies and contradictions have become apparent. Following are briefs of some information that we have come across. If anyone has further information or documentation that supports this info please send it to:

The US has been training British and Brazilian troops at Camp LeJeune, NC. The exercises have involved incursions into Puerto Rico for "riot" training and were ostensibly 'good will' missions. Other countries have been receiving training by US State Police in this country. These actions indicate a general shift in US foreign intervention from use of our troops to use of the indigenous forces for counter-insurgency to prop up new puppet regimes that are pro-US. It is possible that there may be a new type of SEATO alliance formed in the next year where the US maintains its influence, not by direct participation, but through these satellite

regimes.

The main thrust of the Nixon administration is to reduce the visibility of the war, therefore, much of our work is to increase the visibility of the war and to explain its relevance to working, tax paying Americans. Hence, one of our main focuses of research has been on 'civilianization' of the war. The recruiting of civilian forces to continue our involvement and attempted control of Indochina is a violation in spirit of the whole agreement signed with the Vietnamese. This is a specific violation of Article 5, Chapter 2 and Article 6, Chapter 2. Why is it that the Nixon Administration has millions of US tax dollars to use in an illegal war after the treaty was signed, while there is decreasing aid for medical programs, and hospitals, education, housing, veterans' benefits, unemployment, food, etc.

Nuclear Weapons is another area in which we have been doing research. We received a call from Colorado VVAW who informed us that they received information on the transfer of the 134th Air Combat Wing from Offutt AFB, Nebraska to Thailand. The 134th has the triggering devices for nuclear weapons. We have heard from some former NSA people that there have been nuclear weapons stored in Thailand for several years. This transfer was to take place in the early part of January, just following the intense bombing of Hanoi and Haiphong. When we received this information we relayed it to friends in Washington DC, where hearings were in progress concerning some of Nixon's new appointees. The day after we called, official questioning were made on the US policy of using nuclear weapons in Indochina. During this time, Clements, one of Nixon's appointees admitted publicly that the possibility of using nukes in Indochina had not been ruled out. Because of international and some Congressional pressure, the US cancelled this transfer of the 134th.

Winter Soldier -

The paper should be serving a two-fold purpose; internal dissemination and mass outreach. The Chicago Chapter has sold Winter Soldier on the streets and to book stores and has sold over 200 copies. This not only brings in money for the chapter, but lets people know who and where we are politically.

It is really not enough to just pass it among friends. **DISSEMINATE TO EDUCATE.**

The next issue of Winter Soldier will be off the presses before the NSCM.

Please notify us, ASAP, if you want us to bring your region's copies to New Mexico. We would strongly advise this to regions that have large COD bills. Regions that are fairly close to Chicago should consider driving here once a month to pick the papers up. Regions on the East and West coast should particularly let us know about bringing the papers to New Mexico.

For those chapters that will submit articles for any issue, please be concise and have them type written, double-spaced. Remember the paper is only 16 pages.

Buttons -

The national collective has finally ordered both VVAW and I Support VVAW buttons, but they will not be ready for delivery for a couple of weeks. If chapters are interested in obtaining some, keep in mind that due to a financial strain, we ordered only 2500 of each. If chapters have no means of ordering buttons from their own sources, please order from us, but again, remember to be (ugghh!!) conservative as 5000 buttons must supply the entire organization for the time being.

INFORMATION REQUESTS -

Lists -

The National Collective is trying to put together a listing of movement organizations, resource support organizations, alternative newspapers and news media, sympathetic church groups, 3rd World organizations, etc. Please send these names, addresses and telephone numbers of organizations, etc., to us if you want them included in our lists. We realize it will take a little time to actually sit down and collect all the groups you have worked with or feel we should know about, but unless we get some response from you we can't very accurately draw up our list. We hope to be using it for mailings of Winter Soldier, general information, press releases, etc., not to mention just needing the contacts for general operation of the office. PLEASE SEND US THESE NAMES AND ADDRESSES! Thank you.

From St. Louis -

I need statements from Vietnam Veterans who spent time in Long Binh Jail, RVN, during the period of 1968-1969, concerning conditions at LBJ (particularly the use of CONEX boxes as cells, mistreatment, racial conflict, etc.) Please have the statements specify: 1. The period of incarceration; 2. Specific events wherever possible, including names of witnesses if possible. Please have the statements notarized, as I would like to present them as evidence in a bad discharge case where my client waived all his rights under the coercive conditions at LBJ. Please mail affidavits to: Toby Hollander, Military Law Project, Washington University School of Law, Skinner and Lindell Boulevards, St. Louis, Missouri 63130. Phone: (314) 863-0100 X 4902, 4501.

From NYC VVAW -

We would like information from chapters that have obtained space in VA centers or hospitals. We are interested in starting a program of this sort and are in the process of finding out as much as possible. If you have this information please send it to: NYC VVAW, 857 Broadway, NYC, NY 10003. Phone: (212) 255-7017.

National Steering Committee Meeting -

The New Mexico chapter would like to remind people that the SCM is only a few weeks away and to date they have only received to entries for agenda items. SEND THIS INFORMATION ASAP. Two tents have been obtained for the meeting as well as a generator for electricity. It is still necessary for people to bring the gear requested, particularly mess kits. We are informed that the fright over the animals is not to be of any great concern. Therefore, its clear that the snakes, etc. will not bother us. Still needed: a mimeo, paper, etc. If anyone can help contact Katuscha at (505) 277-3171. Send agenda items to Bill Wyman, PO Box 586, Placitas, NM 87043. Also send a copy here to Chicago.

Winter Soldier -

Just another reminder - Articles must be submitted by the first of every month, double-spaced and type-written and concise. If you have not yet ordered copies of the first issue, please do so.

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LHM dateline is listed as Washington, D.C., to protect the source in the event of dissemination as access to the newsletter incorporated in the LHM was extremely limited in Philadelphia, Pa. Caution should be exercised, therefore, to avoid revealing Philadelphia as the source of this letter.

It is noted that the letterhead of the above newsletter indicates that the VVAW National Office is now located at 827 West Newport, Chicago, Illinois, 60657, telephone number (312) 935-2129.

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It is noted that the quality of the copies of the above newsletter which are incorporated into this LHM are equal to the quality of the copy furnished by the source which was poor.

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San Diego, California

April 24, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP)
ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH
WOUNDED KNEE, SOUTH DAKOTA
INTERNAL SECURITY -
COMMUNIST (TROTSKYIST)

The SWP has been cited pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised as follows April 24, 1973:

A meeting of the Forum Committee of the San Diego Branch-Socialist Workers Party (SDB-SWP) was held at SDB-SWP headquarters, 4635 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego, California, April 19, 1973. The meeting was called by Matilde Zimmermann, Organizer, SDB-SWP, as a speaker or speakers have become available to talk to SWP members regarding the Wounded Knee incident.

[redacted] SDB-SWP member, reported that he did not know who would speak as yet but stated he talked to a man in Los Angeles, California, named [redacted] who told him that he and others would come to San Diego on Friday, April 27, 1973, with speakers and a film taken inside Wounded Knee. According to [redacted] the speech and film would be held at Aztec Center, San Diego State University (SDSU), San Diego, California.

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The SDB-SWP has been in existence in San Diego, California, since 1959, and is a local branch of the National SWP and has identical aims and purposes.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (100-16)

FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-5786) (P)

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (SWP)
ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH
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Re San Diego letter to Bureau dated 4/10/73.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and five
copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Enclosed for New York, Los Angeles, and Minneapolis
are two copies each of the same LHM.

Source mentioned in LHM is [redacted] and information
furnished is contained in [redacted]

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- 2 - Bureau (Enc - 6) (RM)
- 2 - New York (100-4013) (Enc - 2) (RM)
- ② - Los Angeles (100-SWP) (Enc - 2) (RM)
- 2 - Minneapolis (70-6832) (Enc - 2) (RM)
- 3 - San Diego
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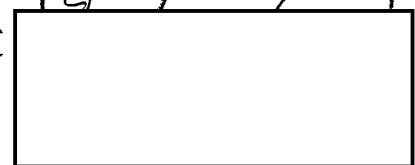
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620PM URGENT 5-3-73 PJW
TO: ACTING DIRECTOR
LOS ANGELES
MINNEAPOLIS
FROM: ANCHORAGE (70-1562) (P) 2P

WOUNDED KNEE

ON 5/3/73 WALTER J. HICKEL, FORMER GOVERNOR OF ALASKA, AND U. S. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, ANCHORAGE, ALASKA, ADVISED THAT DURING THE LATE EVENING OF EITHER 4/30/73 OR 5/1/73 HE RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM [REDACTED] IN LOS ANGELES. [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT HE HAD CONTACT WITH MR. HICKEL PREVIOUSLY BUT HICKEL COULD NOT RECALL HIM OTHER THAN BY NAME.

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DURING THIS CONVERSATION [REDACTED] REFERRED TO HICKEL AS MR. SECRETARY AND ASKED HIM TO SPEAK TO THE PRESIDENT ABOUT THE PROBLEMS OF THE AMERICAN INDIAN. HE STATED THE PEACE TREATY AT PINE RIDGE (WOUNDED KNEE) HAD BEEN BROKEN AND NO ONE WILL LISTEN TO THE PLIGHT OF THE INDIAN. [REDACTED] ALSO ASKED HICKEL'S HELP IN GETTING RUSSELL MEANS RELEASED FROM JAIL. HICKEL STATED

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handled 5/19/73
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TOLD HIM " WE HAVE OUR RIFLES OUT AND WE'RE GOING TO GET ONE (BLANK) AT A TIME." HICKEL STATED HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND PERSONS REFERRED TO BY [REDACTED] BUT BELIEVED PERSONS TO BE SENATORS. HE COULD NOT EXPLAIN THIS STATEMENT ANY FURTHER BUT THE STATEMENT WAS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH WOUNDED KNEE. HICKEL STATED [REDACTED] ATTEMPTED TO CALL HIM TWICE ON 5/3/73 BUT HE WAS OUT OF HIS OFFICE. HE ATTEMPTED TO DETERMINE FROM [REDACTED] FROM WHAT TELEPHONE NUMBER HE WAS CALLING BUT [REDACTED] WOULD NOT TELL HIM. FURTHER, HICKEL STATED SHOULD [REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY RECONTACT HIM, HE WILL ATTEMPT TO TRACE CALL.

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LOS ANGELES FURNISH ANY BACKGROUND DATA TO BUREAU, MINNEAPOLIS, AND ANCHORAGE RE [REDACTED]. ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND FOLLOW HIS ACTIVITIES.

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ANCHORAGE WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH HICKEL.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832)
SUBJECT: WOUNDED KNEE
OO: MINNEAPOLIS

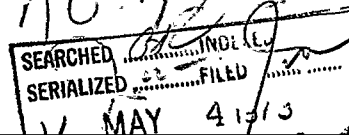
Re Minneapolis airtel 4/1/73 and Bureau teletype
3/12/73.

Attached for the Bureau are Xerox copies of Number 1⁷⁰
Registers of stenographers, radio maintenance technicians, and
clerical employees assigned to the Wounded Knee Special, Pine
Ridge, South Dakota, showing overtime accumulated for the
period 4/15-28/73. Number 3 cards for [redacted] and
[redacted] were sent to Latent Fingerprint Section and
overtime can be obtained there. Original Number 1 registers
are being forwarded to offices of employees assigned.

For information of those offices not receiving
prior communications, referenced Bureau teletype claimed
overtime payment for these employees in lieu of compensatory
leave.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 31)
- 1 - Baltimore (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Butte (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Chicago (Enc. 4)
- 1 - Dallas (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Denver (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Detroit (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Las Vegas (Enc. 1)
- ① - Los Angeles (Enc. 3)
- 1 - Milwaukee (Enc. 2)
- 1 - Oklahoma City (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Omaha (Enc. 4)
- 1 - San Antonio (Enc. 1)
- 1 - San Francisco (Enc. 2)
- 2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 5)
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Date: 4/28/73

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TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES
FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832) (P)
SUBJECT: WOUNDED KNEE
OO: MINNEAPOLIS

The following information is being furnished to Sacramento, Portland, Los Angeles and San Francisco Divisions for indexing and information of the respective Divisions

Above offices are requested to search indices and report positive information developed on the following subjects to the Minneapolis Division:

On the evening of 4/28/73 SA [redacted] JR., [redacted] WILLIAM J. HURLEY, and [redacted] JR., stopped three vehicles approximately one mile south of Whiteclay, Nebraska, in order to identify the individuals traveling in these vehicles and determine their intentions as they were headed towards the Wounded Knee, South Dakota, area. It was felt that the individuals in the above vehicles were traveling towards the current conflict in the area of Wounded Knee, and, therefore, could possibly be in violation of Title 18, Section 2101, USC, Anti-Riot laws and, therefore, individuals were checked for identification and were subsequently released and told not to enter South Dakota around Wounded Knee. The following information was obtained regarding the vehicles and individuals in the vehicles.

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Vehicle Number 1:

1968 Volkswagen van, white over red, bearing 1973 Minnesota license [redacted]. Driver of this vehicle was [redacted]

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[redacted] had Minnesota drivers license number [redacted] is described as a white male, dob [redacted] 5'7", 150 pounds, blue eyes and brown hair.

The only passenger in vehicle number 1 was [redacted] current address is [redacted] Avenue, Oakland, California. [redacted] also listed two former addresses as [redacted] Avenue, Sacramento, California, and 2913 North-view Drive, Apartment [redacted] Sacramento, California. [redacted] had in his possession a current California drivers license and is described as a male Indian, dob [redacted] 5'11", 185-195 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, and Air Force serial number [redacted] retired.

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Vehicle Number 2:

Blue Chevrolet pickup bearing 1973 Minnesota license [redacted] and was driven by [redacted] St. Paul, Minnesota. [redacted] had in his possession a current Minnesota drivers license [redacted]

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[redacted] is described as a white male, dob [redacted] brown hair, blue eyes, 5'11", 179 pounds and SSAN [redacted]

Passenger in vehicle number 2 was [redacted] Los Angeles, California. [redacted] had a current California drivers license number [redacted] is described as an oriental male, dob [redacted], black hair, brown eyes, and 5'6", 120 pounds.

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Vehicle Number 3:

White Dodge van bearing 1973 Oregon license [redacted] registered owner listed as [redacted] or [redacted]

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[redacted] Portland, Oregon. Driver of vehicle was [redacted] Molalla, Oregon. [redacted] had on his possession a note from [redacted] giving him permission to drive the vehicle. [redacted]

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also had on his possession a current Oregon drivers license. [redacted] is a white male, dob [redacted]

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The three passengers in vehicle number 3 include the following:

1. [redacted] Street, Gardena, California. [redacted] dob is [redacted], he is a male oriental and he had on his possession a current California drivers license.

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2. [redacted] Street, Sun Valley, California. [redacted] had on his possession a current California drivers license, dob [redacted] oriental male, and SSAN is [redacted]

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3. [redacted] Portland, Oregon. [redacted] had on his possession a current Oregon drivers license and dob is [redacted] He is a white male.

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NCIC checks made at Pine Ridge, South Dakota, on 4/28/73 on the above individuals and vehicles were negative.

[redacted] Air Force number [redacted] dob [redacted] advised that he was sent to Pine Ridge by the Guild Church of San Francisco, California. [redacted] stated that he was told by the church that if he wanted to know what was happening to the Indians on the Sioux Reservation in South Dakota he would have to go to Rapid City. [redacted] claimed he arrived in Rapid City by automobile yesterday and met the various people that he traveled with from Rapid City to the South Dakota - Nebraska border outside of Pine Ridge. He stated that the group came to the South Dakota border through Nebraska to the town of Whiteclay to pick up 18 people being released from the Pine Ridge Jail at 6:15 this date. [redacted] was told to travel to Pine Ridge through Nebraska and not to cross into South Dakota since he would be beaten by the police in South Dakota. [redacted] stated that he did not know why these people had been arrested in Pine Ridge but that an attorney in Rapid City had advised him of their arrest and had encouraged him to make the trip to Pine Ridge stating that he, the attorney, would be in Pine Ridge to gain the release of the 18 persons. [redacted] stated that he was then to take the people to Highway 20 in Nebraska where he would

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be contacted by an unknown party and the 18 persons would then be taken to an unknown destination. [redacted] stated that his mission to the reservation at Pine Ridge had nothing to do with the area surrounding or containing Wounded Knee. [redacted] advised that he represents the Round Valley Indian Reservation in northern California. He stated that he will report back to the leaders of this reservation pertaining to supposed beating being administered to the Indians on the South Dakota Reservation. [redacted] stated that once his report was given to the Round valley authorities they would make the decision as to whether or not they would send Indians to aide on the South Dakota Reservation. [redacted] would not state the position that would be taken by any manpower aide given to the South Dakota Reservation by the Round Valley Reservation Indians. When queried he would not state whether they would or would not support the Wounded Knee incident.

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TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI *WGM*
SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832) *AGL*

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (70-7253)

WOUNDED KNEE.

RE PINE RIDGE TELCALL 5/4/73.

FOLLOWING THREE EMPLOYEES WILL DEPART LOS ANGELES AT 7:45 AM ON SUNDAY, 5/6/73, ON WESTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT 560 AND ARRIVE SALT LAKE CITY 10:12 AM. WILL DEPART SALT LAKE CITY AT 10:40 AM ON WESTERN FLIGHT 60 AND ARRIVE RAPID CITY, SOUTH

DAKOTA AT 11:55 AM: [redacted] GS-3, \$6,536; [redacted]
[redacted] GS-4, \$7,340; AND [redacted] GS-5,
\$8,208.

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PLEASE ARRANGE TO MEET THEM ON ARRIVAL.

FACSIMILE COPY BEING SENT TO RAPID CITY, FTS NUMBER (605) 348-1246.

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TO LOS ANGELES

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM ACTING DIRECTOR 1P

WOUNDED KNEE

RELATEL 5-3-73 AND BUREAU TELETYPE 5-2-73.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION SET FORTH IN REFERENCED
BUREAU TELETYPE LOS ANGELES SHOULD MAKE NO EFFORT TO
NEGOTIATE WITH [REDACTED] IN ORDER TO OBTAIN VIDEO
TAPES. IF [REDACTED] VOLUNTARILY OFFERS TAPES FOR VIEWING,
IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY FBI HEADQUARTERS AND ATTEMPT TO
SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBE SUBJECT MATTER CONTAINED ON TAPES.
FOR LOS ANGELES' ASSISTANCE, [REDACTED] MAY BE IDENTICAL
WITH ONE [REDACTED] JR., AKA [REDACTED] OF
LUBBOCK, TEXAS, AND SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, WHO IN THE PAST
HAS FILMED AMERICAN INDIAN ACTIVITY FOR [REDACTED]
CALLED [REDACTED]

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ATTN: ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION,
MOVEMENT SECTION

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832) (SUB G) (P)

WOUNDED KNEE. OO:MINNEAPOLIS

REMYTEL 4/30/73.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ARRIVED AT PINE RIDGE, SOUTH
DAKOTA ON THE DATES INDICATED:

SAs GEORGE H. PARFET, CHICAGO, 4/30/73; [REDACTED]

CHICAGO, 4/30/73.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL DEPARTED THIS SPECIAL FOR RETURN
TO THEIR OFFICES ON THE DATES INDICATED: SAs [REDACTED]

ST. LOUIS, 5/1/73; [REDACTED] SALT LAKE CITY, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] KANSAS CITY, 4/30/73; [REDACTED]

KANSAS CITY, 4/30/73; [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES, 5/1/73;

[REDACTED] NEW YORK, 4/26/73.

- 1-Chicago (AM)
- 1-Kansas City (AM)
- 1-Los Angeles (AM)
- 1-St. Louis (AM)
- 1-Salt Lake City (AM)
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ATTENTION: ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION
MOVEMENT SECTION

FROM: SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832) (SUB G)

WOUNDED KNEE.

REMYTEL, 4/29/73:

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ARRIVED AT PINE RIDGE, SOUTH DAKOTA,

ON THE DATES INDICATED:

SAS [redacted] CHICAGO, 4/29/73;

[redacted] MINNEAPOLIS, 4/29/73;

[redacted] BUTTE, 4/29/73;

EDWARD J. NEHLS, CHICAGO, 4/29/73;

[redacted] MINNEAPOLIS, 4/29/73;

[redacted] MINNEAPOLIS, 4/29/73;

MARVIN L. SHAY, MINNEAPOLIS, 4/29/73;

- 1 - Butte (AM)
- 1 - Chicago (AM)
- 1 - Denver (AM)
- 1 - Detroit (AM)
- 1 - Los Angeles (AM)
- 1 - Oklahoma City (AM)
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[REDACTED] MINNEAPOLIS, 4/29/73;

STENOGRAPHER [REDACTED] LOS ANGELES,

4/29/73;

CLERK GREGORY J. DIFANIT, ST. LOUIS, 4/26/73;

THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL DEPARTED THIS SPECIAL FOR RETURN TO
THEIR OFFICES ON THE DATES INDICATED:

SAS [REDACTED] DETROIT, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] OKLAHOMA CITY, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] OMAHA, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] OMAHA, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] BUTTE, 4/30/73;

LEROY W. GREEN, DENVER, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] DENVER, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] DENVER, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] DENVER, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] SEATTLE, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] CHICAGO, 4/30/73;

RUSSELL C. ANDERSON, MINNEAPOLIS, 4/30/73;

[REDACTED] MINNEAPOLIS, 4/30/73.

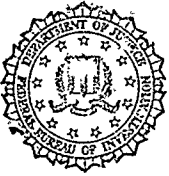
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

May 3, 1973

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AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT
EXTREMIST MATTERS

Source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the attached papers obtained at the time of Russell Means' arrest, April 27, 1973, by Los Angeles Police Department and Bureau Agents.

[Redacted] and [Redacted]
[Redacted] means at the [Redacted]

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- 8 - Bureau (100-462483)(RM)
- 1 - Denver (157-529)(RM)
- 3 - Minneapolis (157-1458)(RM)
- (1 - 70-6832)
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SCHEDULE FOR INFORMATION SHEET TO BE COMPILED DAILY AT ANC

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ANC - please save information phoned in or refer calls to above

message from NIK

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News Release

Reason for reassignment - not enough #

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A BLACK HOLIDAY BIG DANCE AND SHOW

"Come out and Celebrate the Birthday of Brother Malcolm X"

appearing on show:



Bro. Stevie
Wonder



Bro. Pharoah
Sanders



Bro. Taj
Mahal

FILMS ON AFRICAN LIBERATION FREEDOM STRUGGLE
ON SALE: FANTASTIC AFRICAN JEWELRY

also:

Bro. Oscar Brown Jr.
Sis. Jean Pace
and the
Taifa Dance Troupe

May 19, 1973 9:00 pm

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Hollywood Palladium

ALL TICKETS SOLD AT TICKETRON, DOLPHINS, MAY CO, SEARS, BENIN AFRICAN SHOPS, PALLADIUM BOX OFFICE

All proceeds will go to aid our Brothers and Sisters in
Southern Africa who are homeless because of the
racist and exploitative economic policies of the
Portuguese Government in Angola,
Guinea Bissau, and Mozambique.

\$5.50 ADVANCE
\$6.00

TICKETS: 825-7403

Come out and attend the African Liberation Day

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1. Conference - in Denver

2. Request to call Mr

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1 bro - 32 backpack

1 bro - 1 trip 47 loaf food.

4. Conference - marchers

Brenett county 5 mi east of Martin City

fed marshalls, BIA Police

50 people - M16 sub mach. guns
grenade launchers - Gas - Helicopters

marchers went back to protest

marchers met with police

Bl., White, yellow, Red

they have juriss. rights -

BIA kicked marchers out with

Fed back-up -

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URGENT APPEAL for reinforcement

They find it very difficult to comprehend as to the reason why there aren't more people coming. This struggle is just beginning and a lot more people are URGENTLY NEEDED. If we cannot support the people at Wounded Knee, our struggle itself is seriously questioned.

There will be a funeral planned for Frank ~~Clearwater~~ Clearwater either on Saturday or Sunday. All five of us are planning to remain here -- definitely -- until after the funeral. The most important supply that we can give is to mount political pressure. It is beyond comprehension that we have not acted with that sense of urgency -- i.e., amongst those of us who have remained behind. Even one more person is needed. If can not stay, even for the week-end, people ought to come out.

We all ought to re-examine the last words of Frank Clearwater once more very very seriously as our own struggle:

I don't want to die in vain. ~~My death here~~ My death here is a destiny for ~~the victory~~ the victory in our struggle. Use my death in any way that is politically significant.. I want to be buried in Wounded Knee.....

.....

The caller's appeal

We are being asked to determine our own political destiny now. We must grow rapidly out of this struggle.

Politically, it ought to be crystal clear to all of us that the Feds are desparately trying to contain any further development of liberated areas. We must mount political pressure to counter the oppressive force of Obviously, we must break the news black-out; for that we need political development.....

Objective judgement of the Indian leadership is that, both in terms of inside and outside (of Wounded Knee), they realistically lack in the organizational ability. This is historically processed and understandable. Individually, many are with enormous capacity and they are jelling rapidly in this struggle. Asians, though we are somewhat embarassed about it, are considered to be a model here in terms of our organization. People are very strongly encouraged by our presence and even vocalize their pleasure of our showing them our spirit and determination. -6-

We should very strongly urge all Asian groups to send some, at least ropresentatives, for their own political education. The risk is granted; there should be no more need to discuss this. Now is the time to act.....

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Direct report from Asian Contingent

All of our people have safely got away.
Background information

Frank Fulls Crow's invitation gave the marchers the all important legitimacy to enter Wounded Knee; at the same time, the political reality dictated such that strong opposition -- armed opposition -- was realistically anticipated. When the marchers encountered the police confrontation yesterday afternoon in Bennett County (unliberated zone), the tactical retreat was necessary. The purpose of the ~~retreat~~ retreat was to come up with another method to reach the destination.

Since the unliberated zone must be passed, the decision was to take a side route (mountain area) and attempt to reach the chief's house.

The reason for this risk: Frank Full's Crow has asked the marchers to reach the area in order to encourage the residents (who are becoming increasingly upset about the Dick Wilson's goons) to openly support the traditional order -- the AIM position. Should the support increase in favor of the traditional leadership, the legitimacy of the BIA position quickly diminishes.

NOTE: Rosebud is a semi-liberated zone in which the AIM people (and their supporters) can ~~fairly safely~~ fairly safely move about without much risk (troubles from the BIA and Feds).

As the sign of increasing support in favor of the traditional leadership, the Federal authority is becoming fast alarmed about the possibility of turn-around in the "legitimacy" ~~movement~~. Thus, the last phase of march became rapidly crucial for the traditional leadership; on the opposite side, (i.e. BIA and Feds), stopping any further advance by the marchers became just as important for the political/military purpose.

What happened?

At night, the marchers rolled into 20 cars and headed to the destination. Just as they were almost reaching the destination they encountered the arresting squad. Among those ~~arrested~~ arrested, there are some traditional ~~and~~ leaders as well as some middle-range leaders (those who are not too well known outside of the Indian community). Only a handful got away from the arresting squad, & All Asians got away (five of them) in a car.

WOUNDED KNEE REPORT
for 4-26-73

----- Last night pilgrims on their way to Fools Crow's house were arrested by BIA pigs under Wilson. Of the approx. 70 arrested charged with disorderly conduct and 75.00 dollar fine, only the traditional chiefs were named so far:



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----- Assuming Asian American contingent still at Pineridge Tribal Jail (area code 605, phone 8675320). Contact attempts to tribal jail unsuccessful-- no one answering that number. NO ONE REPORTED INJURED.

Legal assistance is being provided to pilgrims. Legal aid contact phone number: area code 605, phone 348-3326. Contact atty. is Mark Lane.

----- AIM leader, Russell Means, to appear jointly with us at press conference tomorrow. Means to be arrested shortly afterwards for breaking bail. Bail exorbitantly was set at 25,000 dollars.

----- AIM personnel at Indian Center very supportive and sympathetic to situation of Asian American contingent. Stressing the need for funds to get brothers and sisters out of jail.

PRESS CONFERENCE AT L.A. PRESS CLUB, 500 North Vermont,
10:15 AM TOMMORROW.

4/25 1:30 pm

1. There would be a conference in Denver by National Lawyers Guild and Crusade for Justice -- called and coordinated by [redacted] (date unknown)
2. Call N.Y./S.F./Denver again to know the outcome of their discussion and ascertain the reason why they are not sending anybody (if so)
3. Starvation is no longer a serious problem after
 - a. five air drops
 - b. one brother has made 32 trips
one sister back packed her way in with 47 lbs. of foods
4. Confrontation occurred in Bennett County, 5 miles east of Martin City Federal marshalls/BIA police (possibly county sheriffs -- not ascertained) 50 in total, armed with M16 Submachine-guns, grenade-launchers, S-E board gas, and one military helicopter

the marchers made a tactical retreat to Rosebud

NOTE: BIA kicked the marchers out with the Federal marshalls backing
~~BIA's claim~~ --- That they have the jurisdictional rights in that county (Bennett County)

the march group, represented by 4 races (black, red, yellow, white) and Vernon Bellacourt, negotiated with BIA/Federal marshalls but refused

Frank Clearwater has died
More information to follow, possibly with analysis

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Call from Wounded Knee 7:15 am.

Leadership -- very clear now
National AIM/Local AIM/

*this item is not for publication

Weather -- has been up ~~to~~ to 70 but now down to
high 30s, at night very cold (frosty)

Contact -- [redacted] must be contacted for re-
inforcement

Plans -- There is a feast planned on Friday for
all participating in the march.

Developments -- Grand Knight has died
Frank Full Crow's invitation onto the
reservation and eventually into Wounded
Knee -- all the people participating in
march (non-Indians)

People there -- Only Asian people are organized group;
Anticipating most dangerous encounter
tonight and tomorrow night; By Friday,
planning to reach the designated end of
Pilgrimage; any question or message should
be left with Igawa for direct communication.

Reinforcement Request

- (1) needed for the purpose of breaking the
blockade (for going through -- peacefully)
- (2) the more people, the less chance of bust
at present, there are about 150 people on
march
- (3) Vernon Bellacourt has been on and off with
the march; security is being provided for
- (4) Federal authorities have been so far co-
operative (CRS, state police)

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Subjective judgement -- people appear to be overtly optimistic
political realities dictate in the way
anticipating some troubles is more
realistic

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Apr. 24, 73

Asians head for Wounded Knee

RAPID CITY, S.D.—A group of Asian Americans from the Los Angeles area reported they arrived here safely and joined on Easter Sunday the pilgrimage to break the blockade of Wounded Knee.

The contingent—made up primarily of persons of Japanese and Chinese descent—is one of many groups gathering in this South Dakota town to show support for the Indians who have been holding Wounded Knee for some 57 days.

The support groups are participating in a peaceful march which began yesterday from Rosebud Reservation into Wounded Knee. Purpose of the march is to take food and medical supplies into the area.

Approximately one-third of the 400-500 people inside Wounded Knee is reported to be affected by pneumonia, colds and other illnesses. Food and medical supplies have been virtually blockaded by U.S. government officials who "hope to starve out the Indians and force settlement," according to spokespersons for the Asian Caucus in Support of Wounded Knee.

Last Wednesday, it was reported a one-ton air drop was success-

fully made, which should last the Wounded Knee population about one week. However, this resulted in four men being wounded by helicopter fire while trying to pick up the supplies. One of the men, 50-year old Frank Clearwater, is near death. Since that incident, non-military planes have been forbidden to fly over the area. In spite of the fact that at least 50 persons have reportedly been arrested while trying to reach Rapid City, the group of Asian Americans said they decided to make the five-day journey "to show the Indian people physically

the solidarity and concern of the Asian people in America."

One spokesperson said, "You can see that news of Wounded Knee is hardly being covered by TV and is pushed to page 16 in the L.A. Times—that is, if they cover it at all. We feel this is a deliberate blackout to curb the interest and sympathy of the public.

"Therefore, it's important for us to go and see first-hand what is happening at Wounded Knee and bring the news back to our communities. That's the only way we'll get the truth."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reasons why six-point pact is at crossroads now explained

(The Rafu Shimpō welcomes the opinions and comments of its readers. Those wishing to express themselves are urged to write: Letters to the Editor, The Rafu Shimpō, 242 So. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90012. Letters do not necessarily reflect this newspaper's editorial policy.)

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Editor:

On April 5, a six-point agreement was reached between the Native Americans at Wounded Knee and the United States. However, this agreement has not been implemented because of differences of interpretation.

A major agreement for the Native Americans calls for the following: "The parties agree to effect meetings between the White House and the traditional chiefs . . . so that these Sioux representatives may outline the need of and workings of the Presidential Treaty Commission . . . as a method of the 1869 Sioux Treaty. These meetings will be held during the third week of May."

This point, buried in the media, is the key to agreement for the Native Americans. It allows them to bypass the hated Dept. of Interior and Bureau of Indian Affairs. Furthermore, it recognizes the traditional leaders, their chiefs, as authority rather than Richard Wilson, who heads the BIA tribal council.

Lack of agreement on this point is the major reason why Native Americans at Wounded Knee have refused to disarm.

Government officials contend the meeting will not occur while the Indians are still armed. The Indians say they will not lay down their arms until this meeting has been held satisfactorily; when they can believe the U.S. is serious about the treaty commission.

When and if the federal govern-

ment shows sincerity, AIM members have agreed to put down arms and submit leaders to arrest, according to the April 6 agreements.

These differences of opinion have caused a stalemate on any negotiations. It further indicates insincerity on the part of the government towards recognizing Indians as a sovereign people.

As a result, federal troops are continuing the maintenance of the blockade, thereby endangering lives at Wounded Knee. Recent reports from persons in Rapid City, South Dakota, have stated that:

- 1) On April 17, a patrol of four men were ambushed by U.S. government forces. Three are in serious condition and one is near death. This act came immediately after the Wounded Knee airlift which brought food and medical supplies.
- 2) More federal troops have been flown in to maintain the blockade at Wounded Knee. There are now approximately 350-500 troops present.
- 3) There has been an increase of military helicopters.
- 4) People at Wounded Knee are receiving only 250-400 calories a day per person.
- 5) There is continuing severe weather.

As a result of this federal blockade, there have been many casualties.

Based on these facts, the American Indian Movement (AIM) leadership has appealed to nationwide supporting groups for assistance in breaking the blockade.

The Asian Caucus in Support of Wounded Knee, in response to this plea, has sent representatives to join in the solidarity action to smash the blockade. This action was scheduled for April 22, Easter Sunday.

We recognize that "white racism" has historically forced "Americanization" and "Modernization" on Native Americans. We also acknowledge the fact that alcoholism, drug abuse, the generation gap, as well as other contradictions facing us stem from the same forces confining Native Americans at Wounded Knee.

Thus, our participation in the Wounded Knee Solidarity Action is based on our acknowledgement of the historical importance of the Native American struggle for justice.

Support groups in the Japanese American community, such as the Metropolitan JACL chapter and the Manzanar Committee, indicate increasing awareness of Asian people towards the situation at Wounded Knee. We are appealing to the community for continuing support in the form of money, medicine, messages or resolutions.

We must learn from the Native Americans and try to get the essence of what they are saying. The main thing is that we must fight injustice and support each other, especially in crucial times such as these. Those of us who want to see positive change in this country must support the Native American struggle for self-determination. The Native Americans at Wounded Knee are not afraid to fight and die if it will mean a better life for their people. It is never too late for freedom.

Thus, it is with the spirit of freedom, justice and peace that the representatives from the Asian Caucus in Support of Wounded Knee depart to support the struggle of Native Americans at Wounded Knee.

Asian Caucus
in Support of
Wounded Knee

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Report on Wounded Knee

April 25, 1973

- 1 - Asians went to W. K. to break the blockade & bring in medical supplies, food and clothing.
- 2 - Meeting held at Rapid City, South Dakota and decision made to hold a march to W. K. instead of a mass demonstration on Easter Sunday. (Instead of a one day event, a march to W. K. would gather more supporters)
- 3 - Asians were invited to participate in the March from Rosebud to Wounded Knee.
- 4 - The March would cover 100 miles over a period of 5 days.
- 5 - provide physical support and surround Federal troops
- 6 - show Indians in W. K. and the Federal government that the Indians in W. K. do not stand alone.
- 7 - the response of the Federal government after air drop of supplies was indiscriminate firing into W.K.

WHY WE WENT: 1) physical support
2) information gathering because of news blackout

ASIAN CONTINGENT STILL THERE

WHY PEOPLE SHOULD GO: 1) show solidarity with the Indians
2) support of the Asians there

Suggestion - possible Asian representative at W.N. to relay information back to the community.

Announcements: Russell Means & Panel (including Asian rep.) will speak at UCLA at 1:30 pm. April 26 - Thursday at Women's Lounge Ackermen Center.

Hopi Medicine Man will speak on Friday.

WOUNDED KNEE REPORT: APRIL 25, 1973 1:30 pm

[REDACTED] Chicano organization called Crusade for Justice and National Lawyers Guild have called for a Conference in Denver.

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1. The date and the topic is not known to the people inside Wounded Knee.
2. We wanted to know the responses from New York, Seattle, and San Francisco people and Venceremos Organization, in terms of physical reinforcements being sent to Wounded Knee. If they are coming, when? If they are not coming, why not?
3. Starvation is no longer an issue within Wounded Knee because:
 - a. Five air drops of supplies and food
 - b. One brother made 32 trips into Wounded Knee with food
 - c. One sister took in 47lbs. of food into Wounded Knee on one trip
4. Confrontation between the marchers and BIA pigs and federal agents took place in Bennet County, 5mi. east of Martin City. 50 pigs armed with M-16, submachine guns, grenade launchers, tear gas (S-E Bord gas) and helicopter. The marchers took a tactical retreat to Rosebud, after trying to negotiate with the pigs. The negotiating committee was headed by Vernon Bellacourt and had representation from Blacks, Reds, Yellows, and white. BIA claims that they have jurisdiction within Bennet County- BIA was backed by the Federal Marshalls.

FRANK CLEARWATER HAS DIED!

(5) what are the legal implications and who should go

only those who understand very clearly what's involved in the breaking of blockade. protection would be provided by the Sioux people and the march is non-violent march but there would ~~be~~ nevertheless be certain risks ~~for~~ involved

(6) why are there not more people out there

more and more are coming in every-day (number not specified) and, by the end of march, considerably more expected

(7) what they should take

do not bring anything but money; for the participants, they should come prepared for very cold weather (there is no snow but there was some rain)

(8) what physical condition encountered in the march itself

that the march route has been fairly routine and not much problem has been encountered. there are many security precautions being taken along the march (provided by the Sioux people). the dick Wilson arrest does not necessarily lessen the tension/there are many possible troubles -- take every precaution.

by the time the reinforcement reach there the march ought to be very short and no problem

(9) general condition

very rough. funds are needed.

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for those who go out to Wounded Knee

every security measure ought to be taken on their way

that they ought to be principled

that do not let anyone know of their departure

Thursday -

6:00 : pm

Fr. Fordstrom - invitation - to suggest that leadership
to people

Servants to Fordstrom's house - Kyle Route

at night glad to retreat - in 20 years -

encountered - jobs -


humble get away - in cars

Urgent appeal for re-enforcement

for Clearwater - last words -

"I don't want to die in vain -"

pictures for P.C.

no -  according to tradition problem
prophecy at WK - that all four names be
present to joining the land
relying column - ~~Bl. Br. Red Willow~~
White

Fort Gardenia 1868 Ogishla - Sioux Treaty -

Speaking Engagements -

Posters

On Friday morning, April 21, 14 avian Sgt from
Team 34 left to join the ^{Easter} pilgrims from
Robbed Reservation to peacefully break
the blockade at Wounded Knee. Part
of that contingent have returned to ~~affair~~
bring back news of WK to their communities
~~explain why they felt they had to go~~
~~the reasons they stated for going was:~~

- ~~Since the...~~
1. to show physically the

~~1/2 inch long~~
3 fresh deeps - arrested
25

air deep last week -

80 cases pneumonia -

bring them

crossing borders -

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Why did these Anons go to wounded knee

Anon people have lived in reservations
called concentration camps, they have seen
their relations shot on TV in old war movies
& in the news in Vietnam. Their children die
of OD's on drugs & live in prison cells with
the Indian people. ^{the Anons} We were kept from speaking
our ~~own~~ ^{own} language & carrying on our relig. ceremonies
in these camps. "Western civilization" has tried
to bury both our (Indian) cultures. — the
invention of the saying "the only Indian is a
dead Indian" — & you don't have a chance
these people have ~~not~~ ^{filled} our parks ^{in our spirit},
we've created a new unity ^{in our spirit},
we are segments of our community
who have moved up in the world & ^{to} ^{the} ^{front} ^{lines}
but we wanted the but ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{front} ^{lines}
but we wanted the Indian people to know
there are ^{people} ^{who} ^{will} ^{never} ^{forget}
the ^{message} & who's heart is with those
at wounded knee

Historical perspective -
Camp & Reservations
Sovereignty - self determination
Land - the commitment of
redevelopment -
Effects on the people - drugs -
suicide -
mental health -
prison

Why we went -

NBS. Long. of dim - Ind-Chicoms 1-7 May

Report - 2nd con - 2 con -

meeting Thursday night - 8:00

Russell Means - Ulla - 1:50
Acherman - Women's League -
Craig

Content of Press Conference

Mr. Callahan
Mr. Stone
Mr. [redacted]
Mr. [redacted]
Mr. [redacted]
Mr. [redacted]

11:50 AM - 12:00 PM
12:00 PM - 12:15 PM
12:15 PM - 12:30 PM
12:30 PM - 12:45 PM
12:45 PM - 1:00 PM

physical support of Union com. to
Indian People -

historical parallels -

attention - news blackout -
confrontation

~~100 mile marches~~

radio coverage - own country -

coverage confusing

clearwater death - wife -

100 mile march -

15 air drops -

3. Foodscrow invitation

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Air drop - 20,000 - amounts

if the Indians can't find the land - nobody else
will be able to -

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[Redacted] [Redacted]
Russ Means -

Indian Center is going
to have a press
conference at 11:00 ...
@ Indian Center.

Russ means is going
to get hustled so he
wants combined one
at Indian Center.

Possible Solution :

Have AA caucus press
conference @ 10:15 AM and
scheduled; make it short
and move ~~over~~ people
over to Indian Center
for 11:00 AM press conference.

For immediate release

For further information contact:
Joanna Miyamoto - 387-1347 or
Marc Kondo - 295-5915

Press Conference
April 27, 1973
L.A. Press Club
600 No. Vermont

ASIANS SUPPORT WOUNDED KNEE STRUGGLE

On Friday morning, April 20, 14 Asians left from Los Angeles to join the Easter pilgrimage from Rosebud reservation to peacefully break the blockade at Wounded Knee. Part of that contingent have returned to bring news of Wounded Knee to their communities, while the rest remain to continue support.

WHY DID THESE ASIANS TRY TO GO TO WOUNDED KNEE?

Asian people have lived on reservations called concentration camps. They have also seen their relatives shot on TV in old war movies and in the news of Viet Nam. Our children also die of drug overdoses and share prison cells with Indian, Black and Chicano people. We have our Pres. Thiens of Viet Nam and they have their Wilsons of Pine Ridge, puppets of the U.S. Government. Western "civilization" has tried to bury both our cultures--the "civilization" which says "The only good Indian is a dead Indian," and "You don't have a Chinaman's chance." These people have killed our people with their bullets and atom bombs, but they cannot kill our spirit. They have only created a new unity among us because we want the same things--self determination and sovereignty for our people - here and overseas. We support the Ogalala Nation in their struggle for we know if the original people of America cannot free the land, nobody else can.

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THIS IS WHY THEY WENT

1. to physically show support of Asian people by bringing supplies and trying to help peacefully break the blockade,
2. to bring back news to the communities, which has been blocked out, spottedly reported, and distorted by the U.S. Government with the cooperation or the ignorance of the mass media,

3. in answer to the irritation of traditional Chief Fools Crow, sanctioning the presence of Asian people and inviting all other non-Indian people for their physical presence and support.

We know there are segments of our community who have "moved up in the world" and want to forget Manganz, Gila and our other concentration camps. But we want the Indian people to know that there are Asian people who will never be able to "move up in the world", who will never forget, and who's heart and body is with those at Wounded Knee.

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FOUR RACES LEADING THE SURVIVAL PILGRIMAGE TO WOUNDED KNEE, which started April 22, Easter Sunday. According to the traditional medicine men of the Oglala Sioux, it fulfills the prophecy that when the four races get together, they will purify the land. The march was terminated on Wednesday, April 25, when 75 BIA men, Federal Marshalls and vigilantes confronted the group of 150 peaceful marchers with M-16s, sub-machine guns, SE bord gas, grenade launchers and one helicopter.

WAR AND SURVIVAL AT WOUNDED KNEE.....

"...the press has been reporting the news falsely...we are here at the request of the grass roots people and will stay as long as we are wanted...we are not giving in regardless of what you may hear in the mass media!"

dennis banks

The struggle continues at Wounded Knee and those of us on the "outside" have had a hard time getting accurate information, through established sources of media, about the actual events going on there. Conflicting and contradictory statements by the press and other news media have only served to confuse and consequently dampen public support and awareness of what is happening at Wounded Knee.

For example, just as the last issue of the Gidra was going to press, statements began to flash on the radio that Dennis Banks and Russell Means—leaders of AIM and chief negotiators with the U.S. government—had mysteriously disappeared from Wounded Knee in the middle of the night and were being replaced by new negotiators. Implications and rumors flew that they had been beaten and kicked out of the new nation and/or that they had deserted the struggle. The truth is that Russell Means and Dennis Banks did not desert and are still very much in the leadership at Wounded Knee. In fact, it was Russell Means, representing AIM and the Oglala Sioux Nation, who signed a six point pact on April 15, 1973 with Assistant U.A. Attorney Genral, Kent Frizzell, in

an effort to end the hostilities. What the news media tried to play up as a "rift" in the leadership at Wounded Knee was in actuality a move by the Native Americans to broaden the leadership base of the Oglala Sioux nation by strengthening and respecting the more traditional leaders of the Sioux nation-- it was in this spirit that more Native Americans were designated to negotiate with the U.S. government.

For a picture of the latest events at Wounded Knee, then, we must turn to our own sources. In our most recent reports from Wounded Knee supporters in Rapid City, South Dakota (dated April 21st) we learn that:

-----Approximately one-third of the 400 to 500 people inside Wounded Knee is reported to be affected by pneumonia, colds and other illnesses. Food and Medical supplies have been virtually blockaded from the onset of the action in the U.S. government's hops to starve out the Indians and force settlement. The only way supplies have been brought in is through lawyers, backpack and other means through the back country. Last wednesday, it was reported a one ton air-drop was successfully made, which should last the population approximately one week. However, this resulted in four men being wounded by U.S. gov't helicopter fire while trying to pick up the supplies. One of the men, 50 year old Frank Clearwater, is near death. Since then it has been outlawed for any non-military plane to be flying that area.

-----The U.S. forces have opened up indiscriminate firing from machine guns on all persons, including women and children, in Wounded Knee. Approximately 20,000 rounds of ammunition has been sprayed on Wounded Knee. More troops have been flown in. There are approximately 350 to 500 troops now at Wounded Knee. There has also been an increase of military helicopters.

-----The same kind of equipment used in Vietnam such as electronic sensors is being used on the 'Ho Chi Minh Trail' of Wounded Knee.

-----Reservations in the surrounded area of Wounded Knee are being harassed by BIA Indian police who are paid with U.S. government poverty funds. (that was one program that was not cut back); BIA police have burned homes, raped women, and beaten people including older Indian people.

-----The government has cut off all electricity to Wounded Knee.

OTHER INCIDENTS OF HARASSMENT HAVE BEEN REPORTED ON THE NATIONAL LEVEL:

NORTH CAROLINA---Last week in North Carolina, 150 Native Americans were busted and one of the pregnant women was beaten and raped. As a result, her baby died.

SAN FRANCISCO---Two people were busted by police officers next to Glide Memorial Church. One was beaten badly and hit in the face by a flashlight. The other was beaten also but not as badly. Both were thrown into jail without any medical treatment.

CANADA---Funds have been cut off for Indian programs.

RAPID CITY---A Chicano-Indian was murdered by Rapid City police during a supposed tire burglary. The brother was shot while on the ground and left there to bleed to death.

DENVER---5,000 people demonstrated in Denver to show anger at the murder of the Chicano brother in Rapid City. The police vamped on the office of the Crusade for Justice, a Chicano organization. Luis Martinez is beaten and shot in the back; then left in an alley to die by the Denver police.

Furthermore, it was recently brought to public attention that ten days ago (as of April 19, 1973) the Nixon administration issued new legislation calling for an extension of the anti-riot laws. The new legislation would extend wire tapping, legalize the death penalty, and allow a judge to have information that a defendant and his lawyer cannot see. All of this, of course, being applicable to participants and supporters of

Wounded Knee.

These most recent events are only testimony to the fact that there is a war going on at Wounded Knee; that there is a war going on wherever there are Third World people in this country. The U.S. government and local law enforcement authorities are geared toward violent repression of any force which may stand up against all that this government, and system stands for. (in the interests of self-determination and true freedom.)

Sincere attempts to end the hostilities have only been met with U.S. government rigidity and lack of good faith. The six point agreement signed between the U.S. government and the Oglala Sioux nation on April 5, 1973 is yet to be upheld.

SIX POINT PACT BETWEEN U.S. GOVERNMENT AND OGLALA SIOUX NATION STALEMATED...

In looking for the terms of the six point agreement signed by the U.S. government and the Sioux nation, one has to be a bit wary when reading the L.A. times. One has to recall the differences between the North Vietnamese and the U.S. government texts on the content and progress of the talks in Paris. For the terms of the agreement, then, we again have to turn to our own sources of information (from persons who have been inside of Wounded Knee) and to alternative medias. In a recent article by Ron Ridenour of the Los Angeles Free Press the terms of the agreement were specified as follows:

POINT ONE:

... "the parties agree to effect meetings between representatives of the White House and the traditional chiefs and headmen of the Teton Sioux tribes, bands, or different reservations so that these Sioux representatives may outline the need of and workings of the presidential treaty commission which they propose as a method of reexamination of the 1869 Sioux treaty. These meetings will be held during the third week of May." (Preliminary meetings are to be held in Washington D.C. to set up the agenda for these May meetings).

... This point is the key to the agreement for the Indians. It allows them to bypass the hated Department of Interior and Bureau of Indian Affairs. It establishes their traditional leaders, the chiefs, as the authority rather than Richard Wilson, a half-white man who heads the BIA tribal council.

POINT TWO:

...Point two calls for arrests of those who have warrants out for them, after the Washington meeting and the dispossession of weapons.

POINT THREE:

...Point three calls for a government investigation on the Pine Ridge reservation into violations of criminal law including abuse by the governing authority i.e. BIA.

POINT FOUR:

...The fourth agreement called for the U.S. to audit Title funds, federal program funding and police financing on the reservation. (Richard Wilson is alleged to have used \$56,000 in federal program monies for his "goon squad," whose repression is widespread.)

POINT FIVE:

...Point five stated that the Department of Justice shall prepare civil suits to protect people against abuses by tribal governing officials.

POINT SIX:

...The last point says that "the above paragraphs representing the agreements between the parties as to the substantive issues arising out of the Wounded Knee confrontation will serve as the basis for dispossession of unlawful arms by the occupants of Wounded Knee, the evacuation of bunkers by persons on both sides of the confrontation and the elimination of existing road blocks. The details of the dispossession of unlawful arms and the accomplishing of the above objectives shall be implemented by the government law enforcement personnel and the AIM leadership. The agreement left it vague about what specific time the guns would be laid down and it also only applied to illegal weapons and dangerous devices. It said that while the preliminary meeting was being conducted in Washington D.C., "details of dispossession of arms" will be worked out.

~ Los Angeles Free Press

Following through with this six point agreement then, Russell Means (after being arrested and released on a \$25,000 bond), Crow dog (the nation's spiritual leader), and Oglala Chief Tom Bad Cob departed for Washington D.C. to begin talks with White House Aid Leonard Garment.

In the meantime, the Native Americans proposed to
.....place all the arms in Wounded Knee
in the big teepee at Wounded Knee where they
would be guarded by Civil Rights Service agents
of the federal government (part of the Department of
Justice) and by a peace pipe. The government
would move its army back and no one would shoot
while the preliminary Washington meetings took
place.

.....the government has already indicated
it has no faith in religious ceremonies of the
Indians' religions. It doesn't believe that the
sacred peace pipe would prevent anyone from taking
the guns back and it apparently has no more faith
in its agents. It proposes that 185 armed U.S.
marshals come into Wounded Knee and disarm the
hundreds of people there.

....Los Angeles, Free Press

When the Native Americans refused to be disarmed in
this manner, the U.S. government postponed the scheduled
talks between Russell Means and Leonard Garment. Government
officials contend that the meeting would not occur while the
Indians are still armed. The Indians said they will not
lay down their arms until this meeting has been held
satisfactorily; when they can believe the U.S. is serious
about the treaty commission.

The U.S. government's refusal to negotiate with the
Sioux nation unless that nation is fully unarmed (read
surrendered) is an indication of the government's lack
of good faith in dealing with the Native Americans at
Wounded Knee, and it raises some serious questions as to
whether or not the government ever intended to follow
through with the provisions of the six point agreement.

Until there is clear evidence of the other side's good intentions, no nation in war can be expected to lay down its arms.

BREAK THE BLOCKADE: ASIANS DEPART FOR WOUNDED KNEE

In the midst of this stalemate, the reality is that a federal blockade remains around Wounded Knee, preventing the entry of desperately needed food and medical supplies. In the face of this crisis, the leaders within Wounded Knee have issued a nationwide call to all supporters of the Native American struggle to converge upon Wounded Knee on Easter Sunday in an effort to break the blockade.

PRESS RELEASE :

ASIANS GO TO WOUNDED KNEE

On Easter Sunday, 1:00 AM, a contingent of Asians from the Los Angeles area reported they arrived safely in Rapid City, S.D., to join the pilgrimage to break the blockade of Wounded Knee.

This contingent of Asians of Japanese and Chinese descent is only one of many groups gathering presently in Rapid City in order to show support for the Indians who have now been holding Wounded Knee for some 57 days. They are participating in a peaceful march which began Monday, April 23, from Rosebud Reservation into Wounded Knee. The purpose of the march is to take in food and medical supplies, and is expected to take five days.

The group of Asians said they decided to take the long and precarious journey (50 people have already been reported arrested trying to reach Rapid City) to show the Indian people physically the solidarity and concern of the Asian people in America. One spokesman said, "You can see that news of Wounded Knee is hardly being covered by TV and is pushed to page 16 in the L.A. Times- that is if they cover it at all. We feel this is a deliberate black-out to curb the interest and sympathy of the public. Therefore, it's important for us to go and see first hand what is happening at Wounded Knee and bring the news back to our communities. That's the only way we'll get the truth."

The group says they will stay as long as necessary to complete their mission and will be making periodic reports while they are there. The Asian brothers and sisters are representing all of us that feel the growing unity between Native Americans and Asian struggle in America. Growing community support and awareness can be seen in the resolutions of support from the Manzanar Committee and the Metropolitan Los Angeles chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League; the joint cultural-educational event between Native Americans and Asians sponsored by the Metropolitan Los Angeles JACL; the presentation by a Native American sister before about 50 Asian American students during Asian Week at Long Beach State; and a turnout of two hundred Asians at a film showing on Wounded Knee at Sentshin Buddhist church.

We cannot allow the kind of isolation and lack of support experienced by the Japanese Americans when they were "relocated" into concentration camps happen to us or to any other people again. This act of support is body as well as in spirit by the Asians representing us at Wounded Knee is one of the first times that we are coming together with other Third World People to fight; to stand up against a common enemy. And this is just the beginning.

Press conference...rapid city, April 21, 1973 12 noon...

The federal government is conspiring once again to annihilate native people at Wounded Knee. Co-conspirator in this attack has been the press. The two, together, are working overtime at gearing the public for an atrocious act by producing nothing but one sided slanted news coverage. They have done the job at trying and convicting the people who have at last stood up in defense of a beautiful way of life. A way of life that does not produce locks or keys, prisons, orphanages or old folks homes, alcohol or drugs.

We, as Oglala Lakotas and other native people, are only saying that we must be allowed to live as Lakotas or Chippewas or Shawnee or Ponca, etc.

We have tried your system as a way of life and have found that it does not work for us. This federal government has a responsibility to uphold and this is all we ask. We have always kept our part of the agreement since Plymouth Rock. Now is it time the Americans keep its part of the agreement for once. A man is near death, what else must we say.

Ted Means, Oglala Lakota

WOUNDED KNEE REPORT: APRIL 25, 1973 1:30 pm

Corky Gonzales, Chicano organization called Crusade for Justice and National Lawyers Guild have called for a Conference in Denver.

1. The date and the topic is not known to the people inside Wounded Knee.
2. We wanted to know the responses from New York, Seattle, and San Francisco people and Venceremos Organization, in terms of physical reinforcements being sent to Wounded Knee. If they are coming, when? If they are not coming, why not?
3. Starvation is no longer an issue within Wounded Knee because:
 - a. Five air drops of supplies and food
 - b. One brother made 32 trips into Wounded Knee with food
 - c. One sister took in 47lbs. of food into Wounded Knee on one trip
4. Confrontation between the marchers and BIA pigs and federal agents took place in Bennet County, 5mi. east of Martin City. 50 pigs armed with M-16, submachine guns, grenade launchers, tear gas (S-E Bord gas) and helicopter. The marchers took a tactical retreat to Rosebud, after trying to negotiate with the pigs. The negotiating committee was headed by Vernon Bellacourt and had representation from Blacks, Reds, Yellows, and white. BIA claims that they have jurisdiction within Bennet County- BIA was backed by the Federal Marshalls.

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FRANK CLEARWATER HAS DIED!

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIVE AMERICANS

WHEREAS, we, as members of the Metropolitan Los Angeles chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League have stated our intent to eliminate racism wherever it exists and by any means necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government of the United States has a history of non-compliance with treaties signed in good faith with the Native American people; and

WHEREAS, Native American people have very little control over tribally-owned resources and have been repressed in their efforts to secure administration of their own affairs; and

WHEREAS, Native American people, in their attempts to gain control over the decisions which affect their lives, have been relatively unsuccessful, as evidenced by the current struggle at Wounded Knee; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Indian Affairs has failed to employ Native Americans at decision-making levels;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Metropolitan Los Angeles chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League affirms its support of the twenty (20) demands as set forth by leaders of Native American organizations across the United States and of the Native American people in their ongoing struggle for peace, justice, and freedom.

Official Statement: Issued April 16, 1973

TO: AIM Delegates, Officials and Chapters

From: D.J. Banks, National Field Director
Carter Camp, State Coordinator of Oklahoma

"February 27, 1973, AIM organization accepted the responsibility of providing all necessary strength and protection needed by the Ogala Sioux in their efforts to rid themselves of corrupt tribal president, Dick Wilson.

Because this degenerated human being is financed and wholly supported by the FBI, CIA, BIA, U.S. Justice Dept., and the U.S. Marshalls, it is virtually impossible for any Ogala to voice any kind of opinion which may run contrary to this puppet government without being arrested or beaten up by the Federal deputized illegitimate. It appears now that the U.S. government is determined to allow any person or persons to commit acts of war against the Ogala Sioux and AIM, a policy which cannot go unchallenged or unanswered.

We, the Independent Ogala Nation and AIM have agreed to jointly accept that challenge and answer fire with fire.

We have further agreed that there can be no real freedom for Indian people until all acts of war committed against us by the U.S. forces cease.

We are therefore laying aside, temporarily, the Pawnee Oklahoma Convention originally scheduled for May 1 - May 7 and urging all AIM Chapters to converge on Wounded Knee for a national convention with other Indian and Chicano organizations, during that same week. All delegates are reminded of road blocks in the way and to report to Wounded Knee with your hunting and camping equipment. You are further reminded not to come in caravans but to come in planes, horseback, hiking or in any way you see fit.

We regret the last minute change but we just know that you would want a piece of action."

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI (100-462483)

DATE: 5/1/73

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (157-8224)(P)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT
EM - AIM

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) concerning papers obtained by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) 4/27/73, at the time of RUSSELL MEANS' arrest by LAPD and Bureau Agents, Los Angeles, California.

One copy of the LHM is being furnished to Denver in view of their status as office of origin and reference to a conference by the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) and Crusade for Justice. Three copies being furnished Minneapolis in view of numerous references to Wounded Knee, South Dakota.

On 4/27/73, LAPD furnished Xeroxed copies of documents found in the car occupied by RUSSELL MEANS at the time he was arrested by LAPD and Bureau Agents.

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Los Angeles file number 157-3598 reflects [redacted]
[redacted] Los Angeles, California, as of 12/9/69, was a member of the "Friends of the Panthers."

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- 3 - Minneapolis (157-1458)(Enc.3)(RM)

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A review of Los Angeles file number 100-75688 reflects [redacted] is a member of the Japanese American Community Services, an anti-establishment group of Japanese Americans promoting cultural awareness in the Japanese community.

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Los Angeles has opened 157 matters regarding all individuals mentioned above, including the AWC, as being associated with or being members of AIM.

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PM NITEL 5/7/73 LDM

TO ~~ACTING~~ DIRECTOR *JPS*

MINNEAPOLIS *BLB*

~~SAN~~ FRANCISCO

FROM LOS ANGELES (70-7253) (P)

WOUNDED KNEE.

ON INSTANT DATE SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED

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FORMED IN DECEMBER, 1970, THE VINCEREMOS ORGANIZATION
ALSO KNOWN AS VINCEREMOS IS A MILITANT MARXIST - LENINIST -
MAOIST ORGANIZATION COMPOSED OF THIRD WORLD AND WHITE
REVOLUTIONARIES OPERATING IN THE SAN FRANCISCO PENINSULA
AREA. THEY PUBLICALLY STATE GOAL OF THE VO IS TO BUILD
A UNITED FRONT AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST UNITED STATES
LEADING TO THE OVERTHROW OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
BY FORCE, VIOLENCE ARMS STRUGGLE AND URBAN GUERILLA
WAREFARE. THE VO HAS PUBLICALLY STATED THAT ALL MEMBERS
MUST KNOW HOW TO OPERATE AND SERVICE WEAPONS AND HAVE
WEAPONS AVAILABLE.

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THE VVAW IS AN ANTI-WAR ORGANIZATION ORGANIZED IN 1967 AND HEADQUARTERED IN NEW YORK CITY. ITS PUBLISHED OBJECTIVE IS TO DEMAND AN IMMEDIATE CESSATION OF FIGHTING AND THE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL AMERICAN TROOPS FROM INDOCHINA.

SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WOUNDED KNEE [REDACTED]

SOUTH DAKOTA. SOURCE ADVISED A [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA

LICENSE [REDACTED] WHICH IS REGISTERED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] APARTMENT [REDACTED] PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA,

[REDACTED] PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA.

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LOS ANGELES INDICES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED]

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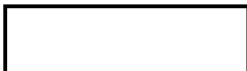
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TELEPHONE CALL TO WOUNDED KNEE COMMAND POST, 5/8/73.

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10:17PM NITEL 5-8-73 CJC

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR

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FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (176-NEW) (P) 2P

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[REDACTED] WOUNDED KNEE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA LICENSE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DRIVE, APARTMENT [REDACTED] PALO ALTO,

CALIFORNIA.

A SECOND SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION
IN THE PAST HAS ADVISED ON VARIOUS DATES THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IS A MEMBER OF THE VO.

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MAOIST ORGANIZATION ADVOCATING OVERTHROW OF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE, URBAN GUERRILLA WARFARE AND SABOTAGE.

ON 5-8-73, A THIRD SOURCE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY WESTERN ELECTRIC COMPANY AND

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WAS [REDACTED] SOURCE ADVISED THAT RECORDS

REFLECT THAT [REDACTED] TOOK [REDACTED] FROM HIS EMPLOYMENT

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AT 3 PM ON 4-20-73 AND THAT ON 4-23-73 A FEMALE IDENTIFYING
HERSELF AS [REDACTED] GIRLFRIEND CALLED TO SAY THAT HE WAS ILL.

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ON 4-27-73, A SECOND FEMALE TELEPHONED IN TO SAY
THAT [REDACTED] WAS SUFFERING FROM BACK TROUBLE AND THAT HIS
PARENTS HAD DRIVEN HIM TO LOS ANGELES TO THE DOCTOR. A

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TELEGRAM WAS SENT TO [REDACTED]

ON [REDACTED]

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RE LOS ANGELES NITEL 5-7-73. FIRST SOURCE IS

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COMMUNICATION.

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IN BUFILE 100-462048, [REDACTED] SM - VO.

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Date: 5/8/73

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL (Priority)

TO: ACTING DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (70-7253) (P)
SUBJECT: WOUNDED KNEE

Re Bureau teletype to Los Angeles, captioned as above on 5/2/73.

On 5/8/73, [redacted] United States Attorney's Office, Los Angeles, was advised of the facts of the matter regarding [redacted] [redacted] advised he will consider prosecution in this matter if determination can be made, through reinterview of [redacted] that he attempted to aid RUSSELL MEANS in escape on 4/27/73.

Witnesses in this matter as determined by [redacted] appear to be members of the American Indian Movement or self-professed reporters for KPFK, a Los Angeles radio station often critical of the FBI.

[redacted] further indicated that inasmuch as witnesses in all probability would be hostile, successful prosecution in this matter would not be likely.

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AT LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA: Will reinterview

[redacted] at [redacted]

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Date: 5/2/73

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TO : SAC, CHICAGO
FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832) *Sub-O*
SUBJECT: WOUNDED KNEE
OO: MP

Enclosed herewith is one copy of a newsletter entitled "Wounded Knee Legal Defense/Offense Committee" dated Monday, April 23, 1973, bearing return address Rapid City, South Dakota. This letter is directed apparently to the National Lawyers' Guild members requesting assistance in defending persons accused of Federal crimes in connection with the occupation of Wounded Knee, S.D. Portions of the letter were apparently written by [redacted] and [redacted]. It is requested that offices receiving this communication search indices concerning attorneys in their divisions who are named on page one of the letter.

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NEW YORK

[redacted] AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. Search indices re

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[redacted] AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. Search indices re town not specified but reported resident of California.

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SAN DIEGO

[redacted] AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA. Search indices re town not specified but reported resident of California.

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[redacted] AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Search indices re Palo Alto, California.

- 2. [redacted] formerly of Berkeley, Calif.
- 3. [redacted] town not specified but reported resident of California.

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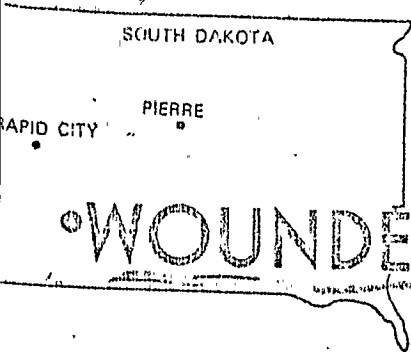
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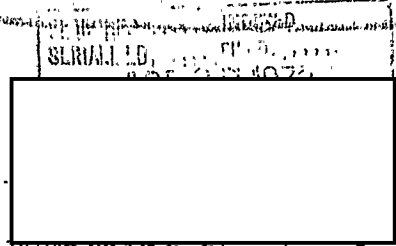
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WOUNDED KNEE

LEGAL DEFENSE/OFFENSE COMMITTEE

Monday
April 23, 1973



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Dear Guild Comrades,

There has been much written and discussed regarding the legal situation here in Rapid City. I will try to clarify many of the initial questions and begin a regular dialog around whats happening. First, the legal participants at present and their projected committments.

Jim Fennerty and Jonathan Moore of Chicago - NLG members have been here for about two weeks and are leaving at the end of this week and will report to the Madison Regional next weekend.

Mark Lane - non-NLG attorney. has been here about two months and will be here for an unspecified period.

Fran Olsen - Guild attorney - Denver. Has been here about six weeks, off and on. Staying unspecified period.

Reine Rram (says shes a non-Guild legal worker, but acts and talks like a Guild member). Been here six or eight weeks. Staying an unspecified length of time. From Washington DC.

Dick Eiden - Guild attorney - Santa Barbara. Been here five days. Staying another 9 days.

Fran Schreiber - Guild attorney - NY, more recently, Berkeley, Arrived yesterday. Staying three or four weeks.

Steffan Imhoff - Guild attorney - California. Arrived today. staying two weeks.

David Gespass - Guild Attorney - Washington DC. Arrived yesterday. staying two or three weeks.

Norton Tooby - Guild Attorney - Palo Alto, Calif. Will arrive tomorrow. staying two or three weeks.

Ken Tilson - non-guild attorney, Minneapolis. has been here several weeks off and on. Will continue to do likewise.

Ramon Roubideaux - Indian non-guild Rapid City attorney. He has a private practice but has committed himself to handle every bust that comes out of this situation.

Within this group of people are varying degrees of wild and/or collective orientation. Most of us live here and meet regularly and make decisions collectively. Some dont. Among the 'some dont' group are varying degrees of participation in collective work and/or meetings.

In trying to answer peoples questions, I will use Marti Pick's April 20 letter to Jay as a format.

1. Rapid City should be the co-ordination point because it is the only place where people know whats going on on a day to day basis. On the other hand, we are so busy, it is very hard for us to find time to do it.
2. Most people are being arrested for 18 USC 238 (a)(3), Impeding Federal Officers During Civil Disorder. There are many variations. Some are charged because they were apprehended coming out of or going into Wounded Knee. Others because they served as armed guards for the liberation forces. Others because they conspired to cause civil disorder including armed struggle. Others because of an action which took place a few weeks before Wounded Knee at Custer, SD, where there was widespread property destruction and etc. Also, there is a man dying here from his helicopter cannon shells. When he dies, some of these charges may become some sort of federal felony murder charges.

What typically happens is that ten or twenty people are arrested each day on the reservation. They are held in the tribal jail at Pine Ridge by the Pine Ridge Tribal arm of the Imperialist forces. The tribal jailor may or may not tell us what the charges are and what the bail is. After anywhere from six hours to three days, we find out what the charges are, what the bail is, and whether or not there is a federal hold. If there is no federal hold, we send someone down to bail them out. If there are federal charges, we dont need bail at the tribal jail, because they drop the tribal charges (usually) and bring the people here to Rapid City to be held in the County jail. (We are fairly helpless during the tribal jail stay because most of our legal people have been barred from the reservation by tribal court orders. We cant go down to interview inmates or find out what the charges or force them to tell us what the bail is. The reservation is under an arbitrary reign of anti-ATL power. We have some affirmative actions in the works, but the practicality is that we only talk to the jailor by phone and abide by their arbitrary decisions and spend down bail money)

There are large numbers of Indians among arrestees and large numbers of whites. All races do themselves proud. All areas are represented, too. Of course, the highest percentage is local Indian people.

First thing that happens here is jail interviews and bail hearings in jail. A magistrate presides. They make motions for low bail. Then arranging bail for some and further motions for others.

There are a constant batch of new people to interview and have hearings for and arrange bail for and etc.

We had a group of arraignments today. The judge gave us 60 days to make pre-arraignment and pre-trial motions. He also declined to set trial dates. So, trials are in the indefinite future. After this is all over, I imagine that they will figure out some orderly way to set trial dates. They are no more anxious than we to force these cases to trial.

The cases that come by way of complaints usually go for weeks without preliminaries. We file motions to dismiss after ten days when defendant is in custody and twenty days when not in custody. This forces them to file indictments or dismiss. They usually file.

We need more legal people, especially lawyers for all the appearances. On the other hand, finances are hard to figure out. Our present facilities for living and working are pretty full. I don't know how easy it would be to get the money for another house to live and work in, extra phones, etc. Money seems to be always a problem which is always somehow solved, but....

What is needed most are people who can come here in a few weeks/months and stay for a long time. In the meantime, we need people with two week - two month commitments. How many lawyers per case is an irrelevant question now.

Evidently, the long term strategy involves taking the "heavy" cases first and doing big jobs on them. Change of venue, big jury challenges, large political trials. Then, the fates of the remaining defendants will largely be determined by what happens with the test cases. In the meantime, there is now a steady stream of interim work to be done which almost defies strategy and politics because of the immediacy, urgency, and basic-ness of the work to be done. Each night we have meetings and decide, "so and so will do morning arraignments, so and so will do jail interviews and bail hearings, so and so will do research on the affirmative actions, another will stay and answer phones and co-ordinate, another will make the four hour round trip to the Pine Ridge Jail to bail our some people, and etc and etc." Sometimes these plans work out, sometimes they don't.

An important reality is that AIM makes the political decisions. They don't trust many whites. The ones they trust the most are the ones who have been here the longest. Those of us droppers-by will probably never be trusted and never be part of political decisions. Being part of the Guild is no particular credential here.

4,5 It is hard to respond to many of the suggestions which have been made in Martin's letter and elsewhere. We try as hard as we can to meet regularly and make decisions collectively and work collectively. We try as hard as we can to keep an ongoing political perspective on our work. But often there considerations go by the wayside. There have been several mornings when our "evening meeting" didn't start till after midnight. Ideally we should work and decide collectively, meet politically and eat three times a day and sleep at night. None of this is ever certain.

- 7 We are incapable of co-ordinating information about demonstrations and support activities around the country. We should coordinate info from here, but not from other places. We could use some money to be sent to us to guarantee the usefulness of legal people who may add to our ranks. We presently have two houses at \$175/month apiece. If we could afford another, we could serve the people better. We also need money to rent another car and install more phones and buy more supplies. All this plus we don't have access to a law library. The only complete library in Rapid City is a subscription library. We have asked specific groups for specific books and briefs and documents and etc. We have to get by on what we will be able to

This newsletter has focus on us and our problems. Of course, our problems are nothing compared to the brave, long-suffering people who are risking so much at this time. I hope you have been able to sense that the reservation is a police state. We get kicked off and (sometimes) arrested on the reservation. Indian people suffer the constant oppression of living in a police state. Wounded Knee is now the safest place in the country because it is liberated. It is unsafe because of the likelihood of invasion by the presently powerful paper tiger running dogs of monopoly capitalism.

Please respond to this newsletter. We will try to maintain an ongoing dialog with all of you. We welcome your input and thrive on your love.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE,

Dick Eiden,
Wounded Knee Legal Defense/Offense Committee

I am inclined to add some political analysis of the situation at Wounded Knee based on incidents that have occurred in the past. The government seems to be getting up a situation which will totally outlaw an armed attack. It would have to be in the near future.

The basis for this opinion includes the fact that the government has made statements that families who live in Wounded Knee are being kept out by the AIM forces within Wounded Knee. Grandpa Iron Horse and his wife have affidavits from 30 of the families who had been asked to leave Wounded Knee by government officials (they were told they could leave to go shopping and then were not allowed to re-enter). These affidavits essentially said that they support AIM and/or the Oglala Sioux Civil Rights group and wanted to go on to their homes inside Wounded Knee.

Further, statements have been made by Stanley Battiner, government man from Washington, D.C., that negotiations have broken down. In support of this attitude, Stanley Holder, who is chief of security inside Wounded Knee, was jailed yesterday for \$5,000 bail, in breach of a promise made between the white man and the Indians. Stanley had been lured out of Wounded Knee by Mr. May, but his cell was full. He was arrested immediately and he is now being held in custody. Battiner offered to allow Stanley Holder to go back into Wounded Knee to further peaceful settlement of the conflict. Mr. Battiner said that of the large and a cash fire was in effect since Stanley Holder was out of Wounded Knee. He was supposed to be a peace man. Mr. Battiner said the District Court Judge is not going to let Stanley Holder go until he has been out of Wounded Knee. The District Court Judge said that he is not going to let Stanley Holder go until he has been out of Wounded Knee. Mr. Battiner said that he is not going to let Stanley Holder go until he has been out of Wounded Knee.

Further, the fact that the government is not going to let Stanley Holder go until he has been out of Wounded Knee is a clear indication that the government is not going to let Stanley Holder go until he has been out of Wounded Knee.

The fact is that these lead us to believe that the government is planning a military attack. The situation is critical. We at least should have tried to deal with this in a political way, but we have been hindered from the leadership of the Indian side. It is a loss to figure out what action might be taken to stop it. Perhaps a mass presence at Wounded Knee immediately, right at the government from firing. Perhaps principles like support of families in the Wounded Knee to conduct a armed right at a time. We need evidence and ideas both locally and politically and ask that all our members help utilize people to come to Wounded Knee and help out.

Frank Schreiber

FBI

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FROM : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (70-6832) @
SUBJECT: WOUNDED KNEE

Re Los Angeles airtel to Minneapolis, 3/30/73.

Photographs of [redacted], aka [redacted]
[redacted] and [redacted] were displayed to Sources
developed in connection with captioned matter.

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On 4/16/73, [redacted] advised that he had seen
both Subjects in Wounded Knee during his stay there from
approximately [redacted] Source could furnish no additional
positive information of value regarding [redacted] and [redacted]

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Re telephone call of SA [redacted] from Pine Ridge, S.D., to Los Angeles and Sacramento, 5/1/73.

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On 5/1/73, SA [redacted] received a telephone call from [redacted] who furnished his residence as [redacted] Street, Chico, California. [redacted] telephoned the Bureau of Indian Affairs Jail at Pine Ridge, S.D. [redacted] advised that on 4/30/73 he had received a phone call from his mother, [redacted] Street, Burbank, Calif. [redacted] was quoted as stating that her father, [redacted] the grandfather of [redacted] just called from Los Angeles, California. [redacted] whose residence is believed to be Roseville, California, indicated that he was telephoning from Los Angeles Airport and she said that he was to depart Los Angeles using a private, two-engine aircraft. This aircraft would be loaded with food and medical supplies to be taken to Wounded Knee, S.D., and they would be delivered to the occupants of Wounded Knee. According to [redacted] is a "qualified" pilot and another man was reported to be accompanying [redacted]. The man accompanying [redacted] was to act as pilot. SA [redacted] Los Angeles Office, by telephone advised that a check of telephone directory was negative re [redacted] and furnished no pertinent information regarding the address at [redacted] Street, Burbank, California. SFC at Sacramento advised that [redacted] could not be reached a telephone number [redacted] a number apparently furnished by [redacted] at Roseville, California. [redacted] could not be identified as living at [redacted] Street, Chico, California.

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AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA. At FAA, ascertain if is registered as a licensed pilot or if he is registered owner of an aircraft.

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7:47 PM URGENT 5-10-73 WGM

TO LOS ANGELES

SAN DIEGO

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM ACTING DIRECTOR 1P

WOUNDED KNEE SPECIAL

RADIO MAINTENANCE TECHNICIANS (RMTS) [REDACTED]

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LOS ANGELES DIVISION, AND [REDACTED] SAN DIEGO DIVISION,
ARE INSTRUCTED TO REPORT TO THE RAPID CITY RA, MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION,
MONDAY, MAY 14, NEXT, FOR TEMPORARY DUTY ASSIGNMENT. EACH OFFICE
CONFIRM DEPARTURE AND ARRIVAL TIMES AND FLIGHT NUMBERS TO SAC,
MINNEAPOLIS, AND TO BUREAU.

UPON ARRIVAL, RMTS SHOULD CONTACT RAPID CITY RA TO ARRANGE FOR
TRANSPORTATION TO PINE RIDGE.

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TO: ~~ACTING~~ DIRECTOR, FBI ^{mst}
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FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (70-7253)

WOUNDED KNEE.

REBUTEL 5/10/73.

RADIO MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN [redacted] GS-9,
SALARY \$11,614, WILL DEPART LOS ANGELES AT 7:45 AM, 5/14/73,
ON WESTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT 560 AND ARRIVE SALT LAKE CITY
10:12 AM. WILL DEPART SALT LAKE CITY AT 10:40 AM ON WESTERN
FLIGHT 60 AND ARRIVE RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA 11:55 AM.

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* IT IS REQUESTED RMT [redacted] BE MET ON ARRIVAL RAPID
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Los Angeles, California

May 11, 1973

In Reply, Please Refer to
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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS
EXTREMIST MATTER -
AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT

Unless otherwise indicated, all sources utilized herein have furnished reliable information in the past.

Source one advised Russell Charles Means, National Leader of the American Indian Movement (AIM), was scheduled to arrive at Los Angeles, April 25, 1973, to meet with Archie Fire, self-espoused Western Regional Coordinator of AIM, to determine current disposition of \$15,000 of AIM funds for which Archie Fire was responsible.

AIM is a militant American Indian organization.

Source two advised that Russell Means was scheduled to speak at 12:00 noon on April 26, 1973, on the campus of the University of California at Los Angeles, (UCLA).

Source three advised that Russell Means was to arrive Los Angeles, California, at Los Angeles International Airport, Continental Airlines Flight 191, from Tulsa, Oklahoma, at 9:18 p.m., on April 25, 1973.

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RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS

On April 25, 1973, Special Agents of the FBI observed Russell Charles Means deplane Continental Airlines Flight 191, 9:20 p.m., at Los Angeles International Airport. Means was met by [redacted] [redacted] Los Angeles AIM activist, and subsequently departed Los Angeles International Airport at 9:40 p.m., in a 1972 Volkswagen with California license number [redacted]

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A check with the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) reveals California license [redacted] to be registered to [redacted] at [redacted] Avenue, Los Angeles.

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At 10:20 p.m., April 25, 1973, the 1972 Volkswagen, registered to [redacted] was observed at [redacted] [redacted] Avenue, Los Angeles.

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Source four advised Means spent the evening at the [redacted] residence.

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Source five advised that on April 26, 1973, Russell Means spoke at the Janss Steps, on the UCLA campus before approximately 200 to 250 students. Source provided a recording of the speech, a transcription of which follows:

UCLA

RUSSEL MEANS: I'm nobody to admire because I'm not inside Wounded Knee and everyone of you people that are, are not inside Wounded Knee are nobody to admire either. The one you should be admiring is FRANK, FRANK CLEARWATER. You know he's the uh the, as the headlines say, he's the first death at Wounded Knee, and then we start with the body count again. Who in the hell cares about body counts anymore? And to boot, and on the other side of the coin, it's just Indians, once again at Wounded Knee, and I know each and everyone of you and your descendants 80 years from now will read another book and feel guilty and ashamed, a book written by D. BROWN III. Bury my heart again at Wounded Knee. You know I, I came out of Wounded Knee on a trick. We signed another treaty April 5th and everybody ignored it, they just yawned because we couldn't meet with the White House. In the meantime, while we couldn't meet with the White House, a man by the name of FRANK CLEARWATER gets killed and everybody yawns again. And I have to go around begging, I have to go around begging for humanity. I have to go to Oklahoma City, Tulsa Oklahoma; I have to go to New York City, Washington, D. C. Cleveland, Ohio, and now UCLA. You know thank you for listening, thank you for knowing what it is to be inside Wounded Knee. You know, and we got some brothers and sisters here that have been inside Wounded Knee. They know what it is to eat starch.

They know what it is to go hungry. They know what it is the only radios we listen to are the white man's radios of South Dakota, and the white man's one TV station of South Dakota. We know what it means to try to kill a cow and receive 4,000 rounds from the Federal forces. We know what it means to hide in the church of God and have .30 caliber bullets go through the wall and ricochet around and land by our children. We know what it is to be in a Denby bunker and receives a thousand rounds of .30 and .50 caliber anti-aircraft weapon fire and uh see 8 by 8, 8 by 8 timbers made into toothpicks. We know what it is, you're nothing but bad news. We know what it is for the run across the street in fear of our lives. A nice sunny day. Beautiful. You can take your time to listen to the contemporary militant. Meanwhile, you and I are not inside Wounded Knee, where last night they backpacked 16, on their backs, 100 pounds of coffee, 20 packs of cigarettes, 100 pounds of potatoes, and sundry other items to the 296 people trapped inside Wounded Knee. And you don't even give a shit. That the President of the United States is acting illegally, that the Constitution of the United States has been thrown out the window, all you're worried about is where you're going this summer. All you're worried about, you know, taking pictures of the local militant. And I'm not even

a militant because I'm not inside Wounded Knee. They don't let the press in there, they don't let food and medicine in there, there's been a death, an Indian death. And the Constitution, your Constitution, not mine, I'm uh, I'm there at my tru---with my treaty rights. A piece of paper that says that, my treaty says that it is on par and equal to the Constitution of the United States of America, the law of the land. And if this time, if this time the United States of America refuses to live up to its treaty commitments, its sovereign treaty commitments, then there is no use for every person of color in this United States of America to live. Cause we haven't. We've got our land base. We've got our sovereignty as defined by the Supreme Court of the United States. We have a treaty, as good as your Constitution. And yet they surround us yomigos (phonetic). And your Federal Courts ignore and put off and postpone and continue our law suit citing case after case after case that it takes a proclamation from the United States of America to military surround any people. The last one to do it, the last two Presidents to do this, was Presidents KENNEDY and JOHNSON when they surrounded Blackfeet.-- But they issued a proclamation. Now I'm an Indian. And they haven't got the decency, even though we have a treaty, to issue a proclamation. They didn't do it, man. Now I'm not going to run through the, the atrocities and the

tyranny Indian people run through, and I'm not going to run through any goddamn statistics, because I know you already know about the 371 treaties. Your educational system has taught you that. I know this. I went through the same educational system. I know that the 371 treaties that I learned about came from your educational institutions. I also know that you do not violate the sacred laws of a democracy. You do not violate law and order. All I can relate to you; I don't want to compare nothing, you know I've got so much to say and so little time to say it in, that that in itself is an atrocity. I've got 25,000 years to explain to you in this hemisphere, I am the only one that I can say I am the evidence of the Western Hemisphere. And no one gives a damn about FRANK CLEARWATER. He's only a body count in the Herald-Examiner headlines--first death at Wounded Knee. You know a few of us came out. A few of us came out from Wounded Knee, facing 85, 85 years in the Federal Penitentiary. And tomorrow, you know, they're revoking my bond of \$50, 000, they're revoking it tomorrow morning at 9:00 o'clock this time; and so I go to prison. So what, another Indian. And I go to prison for 85 years. And your President is--you know--I know you can cite intellectually and academically all the times he violates the Constitution of the United States, but if you don't know what's going on at Wounded Knee,

then you don't know that it's going to happen here. Maybe not to you, maybe not to your children, but to your unborn. And that's the key. And that's why we are in Wounded Knee-- is for our unborn. You know those of you that are Vietnam veterans, you already know what fire fights are all about. Yeah, I don't know. I was never over in Vietnam. But I know what a fire fight's all about. I know about trip flares, sneaking through the lines, studying ambushes. It's only 296 Indian people, who cares? And you have to degrade me by making me stand up here. You know, I saw some more people just now that were inside Wounded Knee. And they know, you know what, what we're trying to say at Wounded Knee is what the American Indian has been trying to tell all it's life--that you don't live up to your own laws. And that, that this country cannot, in this point of time and history, live up to it's own sacred laws, then it can never relate to the rest of the world and you're really living in a vacuum. And there's no way really, personally, that I can relate to you what tyranny is all about. I mean complete, total tyranny. Whereas a male, you have no, no way to express your manner. It's completely emasculated from you. x And I can, you know, they've spent how many years in Vietnam? Indians are only what? A total of four tenths of one per cent of the total population anyway, who cares about the Indian? We care about Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse. We

care about Geronimo and Tecumseh. But the Indians today, they've got nothing to say. The Government takes care of them on the reservation remember. You know, in the minute way at Wounded Knee we're only 296 Indian people are involved. It's a, a complete, a complete parallel in the short 8 weeks that they've been there to the 15 years they were in Vietnam or whatever how many years. They escalate, de-escalate, escalate, de-escalate. Pour in more troopers, withdraw. They still haven't learned a goddamn thing. So the war's over. For you people. Thank God. Thank God that the U. S.-News and World Report can say 'now we have to go to work in the communities'. The peace movement has to go to work in the communities. And those communities don't even want you. Just want to be left alone. You know, take your goddamn tax money, and your Bureau of Indian Affairs and your Department of Interior and your White House, take it and do it, you know, put it in Lake Erie where it belongs. And leave us alone, according to our treaty. Because we hold that document sacred. And people and you know, I really never understood what an idealist is. Some, I came outside of Wounded Knee and someone called me an idealist. I had completely dif--different conceptions. Uh I didn't know idealists in their id--in setting forth their ideals went under fire and really, that's the way I believe.

