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SUBJECT: AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT (AIM)

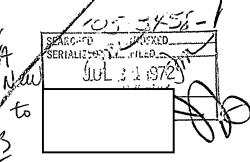
AMERICAN INDIAN MATTERS

On 7/17/72. Criminal Investigator, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Phoenix, advised that his agency learned that individuals affiliated with the captioned organization were active in Flagstaff, Arizona, on 7/2/72, b6 when 7 members of this Indian protest organization were b7C arrested by local authorities at Flagstaff and charged with promoting riot during local pow wow ceremonials. stated that DENNIS BANKS and RUSSELL MEANS are among the organizers of this AIM group at Flagstaff; that both individuals have been active in AIM in the Chicago, Illinois, area. He explained that AIM sagathering of various Indian splinter groups from Chicago and while the goals of the AIM group in Flagstaff are unknown at this time, it is known that BANKS has been active in other areas of the country and has participated in the following demonstrations:

> On 7/21/71 he participated in a disturbance at the Minneapolis Aquatennial Parade when AIM objected to the float from Sleepy Eye, Minnesota, which depicted an Indian head. He demanded that the float be removed from the parade;

On 9/9/71, BANKS and others went to Marshal University High School in Minnesta and demanded to see a teacher because they objected to a text book she was using. When told she could not see them after class, they sat outside the classroom and beat a drum until the teacher had to dismiss the class. BANKS and others invaded the Chippeua Dam property in Winter, Wisconsin, 10/2/71 demanding Indian rights to this land.

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On 5/21/72, BANKS participated in the demonstration at Minneapolis, Minnesota, Naval Air Base where damage was caused to Government property.

It is believed that there are approximately 40-50 individuals supporting AIM at Flatstaff and believes that BANKS, MEANS and others not yet identified have been attempting to organize additional demonstrations at Flagstaff. He said that Lt. and investigator Flagstaff PD, have been gaining additional information on the local AIM group activities at Flagstaff. is following this investigation from his desk and through his own sources in the Flagstaff area who may have additional information in the future regarding AIM and the aforementioned individuals.	
According to sources in Phoenix have named at ASU, Tempe, as a possible member of AIM. an American Indian, is a at ASU and is paid through grants from BIA and further advised that wife. nee is the sister-in-law of one as BIA employee at Phoenix. is presently separated from her husband and it is believed information concerning activities might be developed through BIA employee	o6 o7C
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Phoenix indices are negative regarding AIM, and nee DENNIS BANKS is perseved to be DENNIS JAMES BANKS, subject of Phoenix file 89-90, wherein he is named as suspect in the assault of two deputy U.S. Marshals during an illegal demonstration and occupation of the Naval Air Station, Ft. Snelling, Minnesota, RUSSELL MEANS is believed to be RUSSELL CHARLES MEANS who is also named as a suspect in the aforementioned violation at Ft. Snelling as set forth in Phoenix file 99-90.	
Phoenix files 105-3407 and 105-3406, respectively.	

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That active investigation be initiated to investigate AIM at Flagstaff, Arizona, to identify members of this group as well as their intentions regarding future demonstrations and possible violent action.

2. That liaison be maintained with Investigator

2. That liaison be maintained with Investigator BIA, Phoenix, for additional information coming to his attention regarding AIM and members of this organization.

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3. That separate investigations be initiated to fully identify and develop necessary background information regarding BANKS, MEANS and

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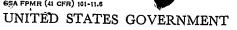
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The above information and physical description being submitted for this file for future reference in the event the person identified herein is identical to subject.

On 9/21/72, records of the MCSO, Phoenix, reflected no information identifiable with subject as reviewed by Records Section.

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### RECOMMENDATION:

Inasmuch as no information has come to the attention of this division as RUSSELL MEANS is active in Arizona in AIM, it is recommended no further investigation be conducted at this time; that this file be closed administratively.

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### Description and Related Data:

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Weight: 185 lbs

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(In 1971) 20255 Lorain Road, Fairview Park, Ohio 44126 (Mail: 2600 Church Ave., N.W. Cleveland, Ohio 44113)

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(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# 2 Indian activists injured by gunmen in S. Dakota fracas

United Press International

American Indian Movement co-founder Russell Means and another AIM leader were shot and seriously wounded early Wednesday on the Yankton Sioux Indian Reservation. Police later arrested five suspects in Sioux City, Iowa. Two of them were charged with attempted murder.

Means was shot in the abdomen. His companion, John Thomas, was hit in the neck and chest. Both men were taken to a Yankton hospital where they underwent surgery.

U.S. Attorney William Clayton of Sioux Falls, S.D., charged suspects Mike Weston and James Weddell with attempted murder, according to the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Wagner and the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Minneapolis.

Three other suspects, Frances Allen Archambeau, Terry Provost and a juvenile who was not identified, were charged with being accessories after the fact in aiding the escape.

The five were being neld in the Sioux City jail pending arraignment today before a U.S. magistrate in Sioux Falls; the FBI said.

The shooting occurred about 4 a.m. outside all Indian housing district home in Wagner, the main community on the reservation.

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A source in Wagner quoted, an unidentified witness as saying Means and Thomas stopped in front of the house in a car in which they were riding with two women:

The witness said four men emerged from the house and started firing gums into the air. When one of the women jumped out of the car and started running, one of the armed men pointed a gun at her.

Thomas got out of the car, the witness said, and told the man that if he wanted to shoot someone, he could shoot him.

The other woman started running and one of the armed men shot at her. Then one or more of the men shot Thomas and Means.

A hospital spokesman said the small caliber bullet that hit Means missed all vital organs. His condition was listed as satisfactory and Thomas was listed in serious condition.

Means and Thomas were on the reservation to plan an American Indian treaty conference scheduled for June. Thomas, of Oklahoma, is coordinator of the conference.

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