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A TRIBUTE TO LIL BOBBY

Lil Bobby was the beginning -- the very first member of the Black Panther Party. He gave not only his finances, but he gave himself. He placed himself in the service of his people and asked nothing in return, not even a needle nor a piece of thread. He asked neither for security nor high office; but, he demanded those things that are the birth right of all men: Dignity and Freedom. He demanded this not only for himself but also for his people.

Like a bright ray of light moving across the sky, Lil Bobby came into our lives and showed us the beauty of our people. He was a living example of an infinite love for his people and for freedom. Now he has moved on and his memory, the example he showed us must serve as that spark which lights our way and leads us on in the struggle for life, dignity, and freedom.

We salute Lil Bobby and his family for what they have given us. He was the beginning of the Party. Let us make his thinking, his desires for his people become a way of life. □

Yours Forever,

Huey P. Newton

Minister, of Defense
Black Panther Party

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in white america



WHITE CITIZENS ARE ARMING THEMSELVES all over the country and organizing their communities not for self-defense, but for the outright slaughter of innocent black citizens.

ARM OURSELVES OR HARM OURSELVES

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS - Sheriff Joseph I. Woods of Cook County is recruiting 1,000 civilian volunteers for his riot-control unit. As of February 27, this year, Woods had accepted over 300 volunteers.

DEARBORN, MICHIGAN -- In a suburb of Dearborn, the white citizens have taken the advice of their mayor and are receiving instructions on self-protection at the city's recreation department gun clinic.

HIGHLAND PARK, MICHIGAN -- The police department is providing gun training to the white citizens.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN - Whites have formed an organization called "Breakthrough." This group is training under the General Douglas MacArthur Gun Club, which is an affiliate of the National Rifle Association.

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE - The following article appeared in the paper. "The Davidson County grand jury recommended today (12/27/67) that citizens arm against an outbreak of crime" that it implied the metropolitan police were unable to check. To protect themselves, the grand jury said, "citizens should have at least one gun in every home."

ATLANTA, GEORGIA - Gov. Lester M.adox said (1/1/68) he is considering the formation of a

volunteer organization composed of 10,000 military service veterans to assist police and national guardsmen in quelling riots. This force would consist of "able former veterans of military service who are not engaged in active service or the national guard."

ATLANTA, GEORGIA - Law enforcement (federal and local) and military officials were among the persons present at Emory University Hospital, to watch the demonstration of a new long-barrelled tranquilizer. The pistol-shaped gun is powered by a carbon dioxide cartridge. It fires an 18 gauged needle, which is the small size used for blood tests. Its effective range is 10 to 12 yards, but researchers have been able to improve the range and firing speed of the weapon. Dr. Conner, the weapon's inventor, in April, 1967, demonstrated the gun before the house judiciary committee.

CLEVELAND, OHIO - The Hough (Black ghetto) district is kept under constant surveillance by a low flying helicopter.

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY - is now purchasing for its police department the following items: 3 jeeps, 2 prisoner vans, 290 bullet-proof vests, 8 public address systems, 200 riot shields, 80 search lights, 300 riot sticks, 300 shotguns, 50 rifles, 12 sniper scopes, and 8 T.V. taping recorders.

Mexican-Americans

Fight Racism

STATEMENT FROM THE BROWN CAUCUS OF PEACE & FREEDOM PARTY

The death of Bobby Hutton and Dr. Martin Luther King tragically reminds this country, and the world, of the dry rot of racism which is prevalent in White America.

The incarceration of Huey P. Newton and Eldridge Cleaver, members of the Black Panther Party, given evidence to all that there does not exist room for those that oppose, and challenge, the warped and twisted minds that are guiding this country to Hell.

Racism in White America lies on this country like a heavy stench. It is oppressive; it is stifling. It is this very same disease that added two more Blacks to its long death list--Bobby Hutton and Dr. King. And the name of Eldridge Cleaver is now along side of Huey P. Newton, both under the heading of Political Prisoners.

This monster, this mentality, this way of life -- Racism -- is no stranger to the Mexican-American people. We have long been acquainted with it; we have seen deep in its eyes much hatred; we have long suffered from it. Countless times death has come to the Mexican-American Community by its hand. For the injustices -- or the lack of justice -- we have declared war on this monster.

Because the Brown and the Black people do have in common enemy we share in the Black Panther struggle against racism. We have long endorsed the Black Panther Program and will continue to do so. The Brown Caucus of PFP demands:

1. The immediate and unconditional release of ALL political prisoners.
2. The immediate cessation of police brutality beginning with the elimination of arms carrying by police departments.

The Brown Caucus of PFP reaffirms:

1. The right of self-determination by any and all oppressed people.
2. That the community has the right to govern itself by and for the members of its own community.

BROWN CAUCUS (Richard Romo) O

RAP'S OUT

(ANS) April 10, 1968 ... the state of Maryland has just this afternoon released H. Rap Brown, Chairman of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee on a \$10,000 bond pending trial on charges that he instigated Cambridge, Maryland citizens to riot last July. Brother Rap was brought from Petersburg, Va. where he was being held facing extradition charges in an unmarked police car, accompanied by several law officers. He was taken immediately to the Court in Cambridge where within 5 minutes his arraignment was held and bail posted. His trial date for inciting to riot is two to three months away.

Meanwhile Brother Rap's strength is gaining and he is now 10 pounds heavier than last week when he officially ended his hunger strike.

Soon after the arraignment, Brother Rap was whisked away in another police car (unmarked) to the airport in a nearby city where he flew to New York. On hand to greet him at the airport were hundreds of brothers and sisters from New York and the surrounding area. Cheers of Black Power and Let Rap Rap were heard from among the joyous crowd as Brother Rap emerged from the plane.

It is expected that Brother Rap will remain in New York until he fully regains his health. Bail restrictions included those imposed upon Rap by the federal court along with the stipulation that Rap must appear before the Maryland Judge at any time the Judge deems necessary.

IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN, BROTHER! O

HUEY'S STATEMENT

Statement of Huey Newton from the Alameda County jail, for the April 23, stop the draft week demonstrations in Oakland.

It appears that the efforts to suppress the will of the black community is intensifying. Every black man who attempts to enlighten the black masses is subversively silenced by the Establishment. This subversion does not occur in the classical shadows of secrecy, but instead it appears openly, wearing the disguise of law and order.

It now becomes incumbent upon those of us who are aware of this covert conspiracy to bring it to the attention of those who are being deceived. We must make the masses of the people aware that the order that is being maintained is that political economic social order of the status quo that allows the present power elite to continue to control the destiny of black people. The laws that are presently in existence were established with that type of order in mind. The laws that deal with human equality and social justice have been subordinated, and that order that refers to the condition of domestic and public tranquility have become secondary. O

'ADOPT-A-PIG' is suicidal

Donald McCullum of Oakland Core has come up with a new variation of the "lick the hand that beats you" theme. His Adopt-a-cop program sells out the dignity of ghetto residents by saying that they, the victims of police cruelty; should find a cop, get to know him, and make him become their friend.

It should be clear by now that cops have no interest in being our friends and that they don't care for the people whose community they occupy. Their job is to maintain law and order, protect white property, and keep us from causing any trouble. They are outsiders, sent into our community by a hostile and frightened society; heavily armed and given a free hand to terrorize; supported in all their acts of viciousness by superiors, who condone their most outrageous abuses includ-

aged by an elaborate and prejudiced legal system. They are composed of violent, bigoted, fanatical, insensitive right wingers - partly because of the way they are selected and partly because of the kind of person who would want such a job. They represent the most odious example of institutionalized racism in this society.

The Panthers make no agreements with bankrupt institutions or with degenerate and inherently unjust systems. We say that the way to get rid of hostile, armed outsiders is to replace them with trained men from the ghetto who care about the community, who will protect members of the community and who are more interested in justice than in law and order. We, like any free people, want no one to police us but ourselves. We demand self-determination in

Eyes Of The Third World On U.S. Racism *King*



To:
Ramsay Clarke
U.S. Attorney-General,
Washington, D.C.

THE EYES OF THE WORLD ARE ON YOU STOP CONFIDENCE IN AMERICAN JUSTICE SEVERELY SHAKEN STOP SHOCKED AND DISMAYED AT CONTINUED PERSECUTION OF OUR BLACK BROTHERS IN AMERICA STOP WE DEMAND IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF H. RAP BROWN, AND JUSTICE FOR LEROI JONES HUEY NEWTON AND ALL THE BLACK POLITICAL PRISONERS WHO ARE PRESENTLY SUFFERING AT HANDS OF WHITE RACIST POLICE IN YOUR CITIES STOP
CABLE SENT BY CONCERNED BLACK PEOPLE IN CANADA.

ON THE DEATH OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING

We learn with indignation the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King. Please convey to Dr. King's family the Vietnamese Youth's hearty condolences. The racists backed by the U.S. Authorities murdered Dr. King to threaten the Afro-Americans' struggle for civil rights against the U.S. aggressive war in Vietnam. But, their new crimes will increase Afro-Americans hatred and determination to fight against racial discrimination and U.S. aggressive war.

The Vietnamese Youth fully support the Afro-American's legitimate struggle and strongly condemn the U. S. ruling circles deceitful splitting manoeuvres brutal repression against your powerful struggle now spreading over America.

We wish your fight many successes.

VIETNAM YOUTH FEDERATION
CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Martin Luther King gave himself in life and death to the heroic struggle of oppressed peoples. He joins the other martyrs of the Third World, Malcolm X, Patrice Lumumba, and Che Guevara, all executed in the battle for freedom, and against imperialism, racism and human exploitation. His heroic example shall remain an inspiration to our brethren, the Black Americans, to us Arabs, and to the "Damned of the Earth" everywhere.

In the words of Che: "Wherever death may surprise us, let it be welcome if our battle cry has reached even one receptive ear and another hand reaches out to take up our arms."

ZIYAD HUSAMI, PRESIDENT
ORGANIZATION OF ARAB
STUDENTS IN THE U.S. AND
CANADA

Murder of King by monkeys confirm correctness of policy of armed self defense by black people everywhere. ZANU fully supports armed black power.
ZIMBABWE AFRICAN NATIONAL UNION

Assassination of Martin Luther King has outraged world public opinion laying bare once more the racist genocide suffered by Afro-Northamerican people and the criminal nature of imperialism. Just as it does in Africa, Asia or Latin America, the U.S.

The true assassin is not the person who shot the bullet, but the one who created the circumstances that made the crime inevitable.

Against them is where the justice and anger of the black community ought to be directed, and racists that have the power. And not simply just to avenge in order to destroy the causes of the death and the oppression that motivated it.

The black North American community has demonstrated that it understands this and its struggle will be nearer now that a bullet destroyed the last that remained of the illusion and has left a naked reality.

Reality in the United States is violence, the violence against the oppressed. And nobody knows it better than the black community, that it has been suffering its violence since they brought them from Africa imported like merchandise.

if Johnson and his men have become afraid because black people have become tired of being oppressed and decided to come down upon their oppression, it is because now it is their turn to receive a part of the violence that they began.

For this reason Johnson speaks of nonviolence and epitome of hypocrisy, poses as a disciple of Martin Luther King.

With what force can the one who represents those that institute violence in the United States talk about non-violence? With what force can the one who has sent young men thousands of miles away to kill and die in Vietnam talk about non-violence?

If it were only possible to destroy oppression positively. But those who usurp power are not going to relinquish it so. It will have to be taken. The black North American community already know this.

Today we unite in battle with

our black brothers in North America and we reaffirm more fervently our union in the struggle. Your enemy is ours. The victory will belong to both of us.

FEDERATION OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FOR INDEPENDENCE
Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico

The white racists of America have stolen the life of a tireless fighter for human brotherhood - Dr. Martin Luther King. A dastardly bullet claimed his valiant life.

Africa is shocked and angry at this new crime against our people. Our indignation will rise to avenge the countless deaths that African people suffer under white racist rule.

We mourn the passing of this noble son of our people and assure our brothers in the USA that we are with them in their struggle.
AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS ●

Please express to the family of Martin Luther King and to Afro-North American people our heart felt condolences, our support of your struggle and deep conviction that this dreadful crime which demonstrates that armed revolutionary violence is the only way to attain genuine liberation. This will contribute to strengthen and deepen the struggle of Afro-Northamerican people already reaching dimensions of total confrontation.
ORGANIZATION OF SOLIDARITY OF THE PEOPLES OF AFRICA, ASIA AND LATIN AMERICA

The assassination of Dr. King arousing deep sorrow indignation at American imperialism among Japanese people who love peace, democracy and independence. We express heartfelt condolence to Mrs. King and all fraternal people.

Perpetrating massacre in Vietnam Johnson administration has imprisoned Rap Brown and caused bloodshed at Orangeburg and now

allowed Dr. King, Jr. to be assassinated.

American imperialism which has perpetrated aggression in Vietnam claiming to give Vietnam so-called freedom that does not exist at home has once again exposed its own true nature before world peoples.

Fostering a policy of racism, economic exploitation, oppression against black people at home, American imperialism has carried on aggression in Vietnam, attempted military provocation and nuclear blackmail against Korean people, continued military occupation of Japan's Okinawa and is using whole Japanese territory as bases for aggression in collusion with Japan's Sato government.

The struggle opposing American imperialism war aggression in Vietnam nuclear blackmail policy and racism. We extend you solidarity support to your black liberation struggle.

THE JAPAN COUNCIL AGAINST
ATOMIC HYDROGEN BOMBS

Last week an assassin bullet ended the life of the black North American leader Martin Luther King. It also ended an illusion that it was enough that a few could practice good so evil might vanish beneath the weight of its own conscience; the illusion that by resisting aggression the intent of the stynied. It was a noble illusion and produced many numerous and admirable acts of heroism. But a bullet in Memphis made reality spring forth immediately; the aggressor has no conscience, but he has power. And he attacks because he has the power to attack impunitively. It's not then his conscience that has to be attacked but his power.

It is not important that Johnson mourns the death of Luther King. His tears are as credible as his statement about Vietnam, Johnson is the representative of the rich and racist exploiters that control the life and death of North Americans black and white the same rich and racist exploiters that have filled their purses with money and their hands with power from the blood and sweat of Martin Luther King's brothers. They (the exploiters) are the ones who have accommodated the circumstances for this assassination. It does not matter that the assassin may be a poor devil that could gain no



Panthers Ambushed -- One Murdered

The Minister of Information, Eldridge Cleaver, is behind bars for life as a result of an attempted assassination on his life by the Oakland Police Department, the Gestapo strongarm of the racist power structure.

Eldridge Cleaver, Bobby Hutton, and eight other brothers were ambushed by the Oakland pigs on April 6, 1968... a set-up to put Eldridge Cleaver in prison for life and to wipe out the leadership of the Black Panther Party.

As a result, Bobby Hutton is dead, brutally murdered by a volley of pig bullets as he surrendered with his arms above his head.

The Minister of Information's parole was immediately revoked, and he is now imprisoned for three years, and faces life imprisonment on the charges stemming from the ambush. Cleaver was shot, has numerous buckshot wounds in his legs, was severely burned by tear gas on his chest and in his eyes. Police transported Cleaver from Oakland to Vacaville State Medical Facility "for security reasons" under machine gun guard, chained to a wheelchair, and heavily drugged.

Bail for Eldridge Cleaver was set at \$63,000 even though it is strictly nonfunctional bail since his parole was immediately revoked, without trial, indictment, hearing, conviction, investigation, or any type of due process of law.

Cleaver and Hutton were forced to take refuge in a house located at 1218 28th Street, when police opened fire on them, at about 9:05 p.m., on the night of April 6, 1968.

Over four dozen pigs armed with OVERKILL weapons such as 351 magnums, 12 gauge shotguns, machine guns, stoner guns, and varied hand pistols carried on a 90 minute shootout with the victims who used a total of FIVE weapons, only two of which were rifles.

Although the pigs and the racist press repeatedly try to call the police ambush a Panther set-up, within two minutes after the police had stopped and pulled their weapons at 2906 Union Street, an entire two-block area was blocked off around Union, Magnolia, 28th and 30th Streets, and dozens of Emeryville and Oakland police officers had (supposedly answering a call for reinforcements) ap-

peared on the scene thoroughly equipped with riot helmets, OVER-KILL weapons, tear gas bombs... AND had notified the local racist press, who were on the spot as evidenced by their pictures and falsified radio reports from 10pm throughout the night.

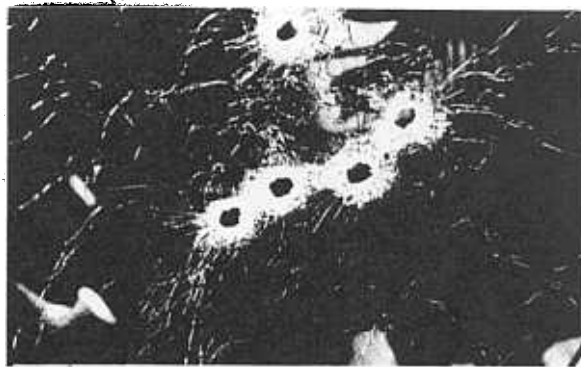
The pigs fired off at least 1500 rounds of ammunition and shot numerous tear gas bombs into the residence to force Cleaver and Bobby Hutton out as well as randomly endangering the safety of other ghetto dwellers on the same block by firing aimlessly into their houses. When this tactic failed, the pigs and members of the Oakland Fire Department set fire to the house and forced the two to surrender.

Driven out by the burning flames and the stifling fumes of the tear gas, Bobby surrendered first, staggering out with his hands up - DEFENSELESS, UNARMED, OVER-COME BY FUMES - putting himself at the evil mercy of the pigs who waited until they recognized him and then gunned him down, killing him instantly and riddling his lifeless body with bullets.

The Minister of Information, who had had Hutton take off his clothes in the basement, to determine the extent of his wounds, came out stark naked, and was kicked by police officers, before being shoved into custody.

Now being held in jail on a charge of conspiracy to commit murder are six other brothers who were arrested by police the same night while in the area: David Hilliard, 25; Wendell Wade, 23; Terry Cotton, 21; Charles Bursey, 21, and Donnell Lankford, 18; bail is \$40,000 for each of them. Warren Wells, 21, was shot in the buttocks during the action, and is also under a \$40,000 bail. John L. Scott, 17, is still being detained at Juvenile Hall, under a \$40,000 bail.

All of the above named are plaintiffs in a suit against the City of Oakland, and the Chief of Police of Oakland, which seeks to temporarily and permanently enjoin Coakley, the District Attorney, from criminal prosecutions of NEWTON, SEALE, CLEAVER, HUDSON, HILLIARD, CARTER, BURSEY, COTTON, LANKFORD, WAD, WELLS, AND STAFFORD.



POLICE MURDERED A MAN, IMPRISONED A MAN, JAILED SEVEN OTHERS, RUINED THIS HOUSE AT 1218 - 28th ST, OAKLAND, AND SHOWED THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD THE EXACT NATURE OF THE RACIST OPPRESSION IN THE U.S.

STATEMENT EDITORIAL: BOBBY GARRY

This statement was given by Eldridge Cleaver to Attorney Alex Hoffman at Vacaville on April 7 where Cleaver, Minister of Information of the Black Panther Party, was finally imprisoned in solitary confinement following the police murder of Bobby Hutton and wounding of Cleaver in Oakland on April 6:

"It is my opinion that this is the latest in a series of attempts to liquidate the leadership of the Black Panther Party by the Oakland Police Department.

"Already they have moved against Huey P. Newton, Minister of Defense, and they are well advanced in framing Bobby Seale, our Chairman. And now, for the first time, they have moved directly against me, shooting me, and attempting to kill me.

"I think that this is a calculated plan that is being carried out."

This is the second pig set-up to waste the leadership of the Black Panther Party. Six months ago, the Oakland Pig Department sent Officer Frank Frey and Officer Heanes to West Oakland to wipe out the Minister of Defense.

In the resulting shootout, Frey lost his life, the Minister of Defense was wounded, and later arraigned and indicted on a charge of murder and attempted murder.

The aim of the racist power structure is to stop the growing unity and awareness of the black community to the 400 year old systematic enslavement and oppression to which it has been subjected.

By killing our leaders and using Nazi gestapo tactics on the streets of the black communities from coast to coast, and harassing black people in their homes, on their jobs, in the schools, on the streets, on the television, on the news, in books and in church, the man is trying to instill a super fear of him, his technology, and his inhumanity to paralyze and immobilize our growing struggle for our God-given rights.

By attempting to murder Brother Huey, the pig sought to wipe out the Party. Instead he strengthened the Party, and the struggle throughout America, and focused the eyes of black people everywhere as well as white people on the racist oppression rampant in America today.

He killed L'I' Bobby and imprisoned Eldridge Cleaver in order to liquidate the leadership of the Party and to instill fear in the hearts of the residents of West Oakland, North Oakland, East Oakland, Berkeley, Richmond, Fillmore and Hunter's Point and other Black communities in San Francisco and throughout the Bay Area.

Instead black people all over are realizing the nature and extent of the racist oppression and are beginning to mobilize against it.

The reports from all over the United States are increasing every day: Cop kills Negro; 3 looters shot to death; Riot toll: 36. And to this massacre black people are finally getting hip.

From now on, we hear either one of two things:

1. No more reports of our people being massacred OR
2. More dead cops shot down by black men.

A cop is nothing but a human dog, and can exit this world just as swiftly as he entered it. Or just as swiftly as Bobby Hutton left.

Either EVERYONE keeps his sight and keeps pushing for a better world or it's EYE for an EYE, tooth for a tooth.

Every time a black person dies at a white man's hand, a white man must die also. ☐

Participants in the press conference pointed out that pictures and dossiers of Panther leaders have been distributed throughout California by the police along with description of the methods of dealing with them, that the entire pattern of the Oakland Police Department over a period of several months, predating October 28 when Newton was arrested on an alleged charge of murder, has been a concerted effort to harass and to kill and maim the militant leadership of the Black Panther Party.

On April 3, the police broke into a church where the Panthers were holding a meeting. The police came in with arms at the ready for action. Attorney for the Panther Party, Charles Garry, pointed out that even the Nazis did not have the audacity to break into places of worship. When the police broke into the church where the Panthers were meeting, he would not permit the sanctuary of the church stated at that time that the only time he had seen weapons around his church was when the police had them. Garry: "This is a classic example of racism on the part of the police establishment and this kind of conduct must stop."

"We intend to take action in the courts and exercise every right and to proceed immediately."

QUESTION: What do you intend to do about it?

BOBBY SEALE: "We have a platform and a program - the 10 Point Panther program. We aim to determine our own destiny in the Black Community, to have our own black police forces who live in the black community, jobs, decent education, and an immediate end to police brutality and murder of black people. And a fair trial tried by our own citizens."

SEALE: "We want nonviolence just like Martin Luther King." But we will not watch ourselves be slaughtered and shot. "We must defend ourselves by any means necessary. We will not attack anyone. Panthers never attack anyone but when pushed into a corner. Like the brothers were last night, we must defend ourselves."

GARRY asked: "equality under law?" Eldridge Cleaver was on the staff of "Ramparts," he has written a best seller, but he was pushed round like an animal. He was taken from emergency hospital, transferred without attorneys knowing it, to San Quentin. This morning he was transferred to Vacaville. Right now he is unable to communicate with his attorneys. The theory under which he was removed was that he needed serious medical attention; this is specious in light of the fact that San Quentin has good medical facilities, that his wound is just a shot in the leg. "All at once his wound was so serious he was taken out of San Quentin -- and whisked out of the Bay Area."

FREE HUEY FREE ELDRIDGE FREE DEBRAY

Eldridge Cleaver, the Minister of Information for the Black Panther Party, has been arrested and imprisoned for a definite period of three years and faces life imprisonment at the whimsy of the white power structure. What has Eldridge done to incur the wrath of our legal society? What are his crimes? To understand more fully we will mentally travel 5000 miles to Bolivia and review a similar case.

On April 20, 1967, Regis Debray, author of REVOLUTION IN THE REVOLUTION, was arrested and charged with assisting the revolutionary movement in that country. Debray has reportedly been incessantly interrogated and tortured in an effort to make him confess crimes he never committed. Debray's only crime is that he carefully investigated and analyzed the revolutionary actions that were taking place in South America, and wrote a book that would give new direction and impact to the activities of the revolutionaries in any part of the world. Debray is now being held incommunicado and threatened with death by the Bolivian government. Exit Debray.

Enter Eldridge Cleaver, author of SOUL ON ICE. With his first book Eldridge so poignantly exposed and analyzed the evolutionary processes that have led our society to its present state of being that his book became an immediate best seller and has been selected by McGraw - Hill as one of the books-of-the-year. Eldridge entered the political arena as a spokesman for the

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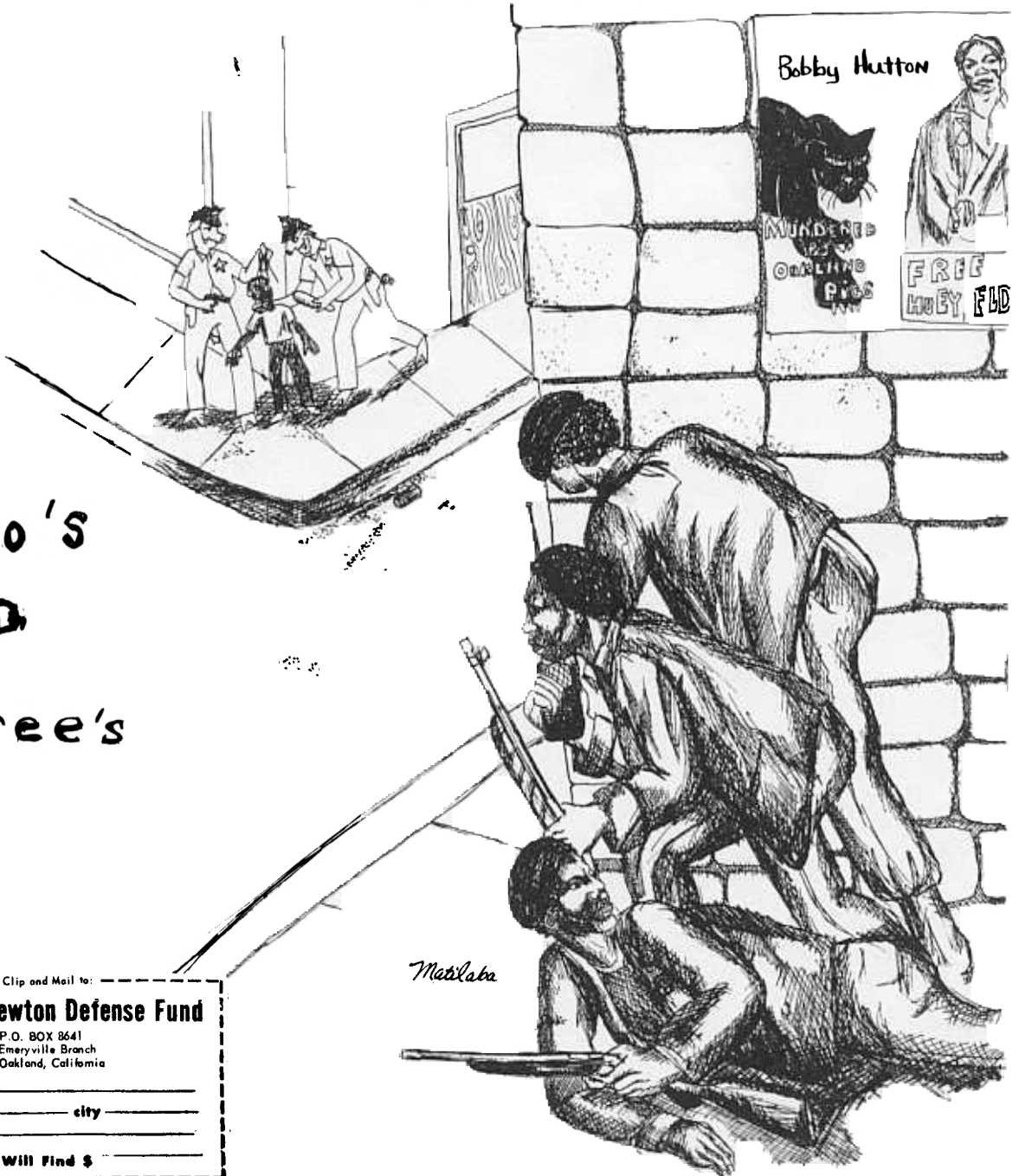
Credo for Rioters and Looters

An anonymous cop in an anonymous city shoots to death an anonymous black youth suspected of stealing a car, and riots, on the heels of the news, sweep the nation. Widespread looting is reported in a dozen cities. Roving bands of black youths set buildings on fire. Snipers, firing on policemen and firemen, are reported in several cities. In two or three places, the National Guard is called out to restore order. "Responsible Negro Leaders", given prime time on radio and TV, appeal for calm; "Cool it, Baby," enjoin, but Baby isn't listening to them. Strangely, demonic, maniacal black demagogues raise their voices above the crescendo of chaos and madness, urging the marauders to burn America to the ground.

Before the last flames die down, a Blue Ribbon Commission, established by Presidential Decree, is instructed to investigate the cause of the disorders. Distinguished Congressmen, with the insight of their racism, already know the cause of the disorders and waste no time announcing it to an uneasy nation: Stokely Carmichael! Rap Brown! SNCCI! LeRoi Jones! The Black Panthers! -- these apostles of violence are to blame!

Upwards of 20,000,000 black people, knowing you for the rotten, racist, murdering nation of white thievish hypocrites that you are, are no longer interested in explaining anything to you, America. Indeed, we understand that you already know all about it. We know that your investigations into the disorders are just a bunch of bullshit maneuvers designed to buy you time while you multiply and perfect your machinery of repression which you have already unleashed

No MORE RIOTS



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HOT LINE...

ZIMBABWE GUERRILLA FIGHTERS GAIN FORCE

(News from the Front) -- a press release featured in SPOT-LIGHT ON SOUTH AFRICA April 5, 1968

As the second week of the ZAPU-ANC offensive nears its end, the boastful tones of the Ian Smith regime have given way to total silence with the imposition of a total ban on news about the fighting. The vicious attacks on the

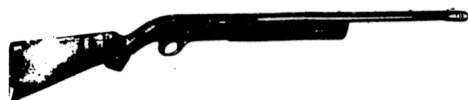
ZAPU-ANC alliance by the Rhodesian and South African radio services reflect their anxiety at the way things are going against them. It has now been confirmed that the helicopter previously reported shot by our guerrillas crashed and burnt up about 30 miles east of Karoi. The troops and crew of the helicopter were all killed.

Strong concentration of enemy troops are based in the Umvukwes, Sinoia, Sipolilo and Karoi areas from which they hope to fan out over the whole of the Northern

Zimbabwe region in a vain attempt to gain the initiative. The Rhodesian and South African army personnel are digging in for a long campaign. Their aim is to try and encircle the guerrillas into an area which can then be subjected to maximum air and ground attacks by massive forces. Hospitals in Karoi and Sinoia have been taken over by the military in order to make way for the large casualties suffered by the enemy. Some medical personnel including doctors and nurses have also been brought in from South Africa to assist.

Throughout Zimbabwe the African people are giving militant support to the freedom fighters. The white settlers who oppress our people are now making absurd calls for Africans to help them against the freedom fighters. Security police are engaged in a campaign to deceive and confuse the people. In order to get information they are going around the country pretending to be supporters of the guerrillas, but the African people in these areas have seen through their tricks. Messages of support from all

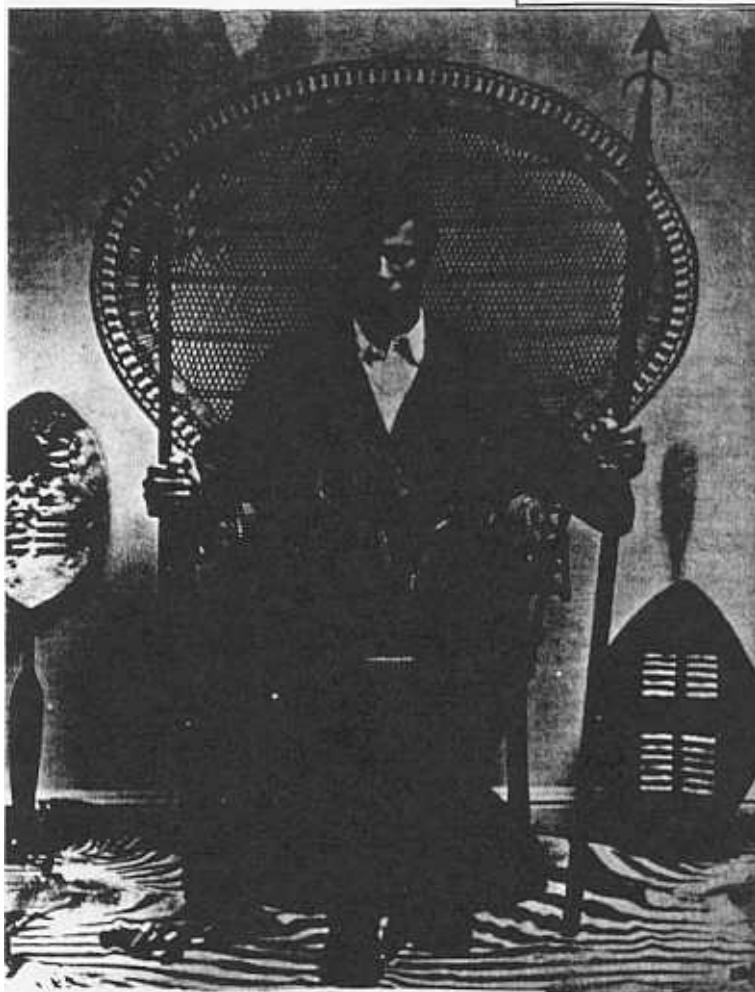
over the world are continuing to pour into the ZAPU offices congratulating the joint forces of the ZAPU-ANC alliance on their successful offensive against the oppressors of Zimbabwe and South Africa. The fighting in the coming months will be tough and relentless. The ZAPU-ANC forces are working in accordance with long range plans based on mobilization of the masses in Zimbabwe and South Africa for a total war of liberation against White supremacy states in Southern Africa.



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"The Spirit of The People is Greater Than The Man's Technology"

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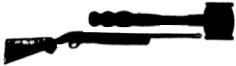


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In Defense Of Self Defense

THE CORRECT HANDLING OF A REVOLUTION

by the MINISTER OF DEFENSE HUEY P. NEWTON

Most human behavior is learned behavior. Most things the human being learns are gained through an indirect relationship to the object. Human beings do not act from instinct as lower animals do. Those things learned indirectly many times stimulate very effective responses to what might be later a direct experience. At this time the Black masses are handling the resistance incorrectly. The brothers in East Oakland learned from Watts a means of resistance fighting by avassing the people in the streets, throwing bricks and molotov cocktails to destroy property and create disruption. The brothers and sisters in the streets were herded into a small area by the gestapo police and immediately contained by brutal violence of the oppressor's storm troops, this manner of resistance is sporadic, short-lived, and costly in violence against the people. This method has been transmitted to all the ghettos of the Black nation across the country. The first man who threw a molotov cocktail is not personally known by the masses, but the action was respected and followed by the people.

The Vanguard Party must provide leadership for the people. It must teach the correct strategic methods of prolonged resistance through literature and activities. If the activities of the party are respected by the people, the people will follow the example. This is the primary job of the party. This knowledge will probably be gained second-hand by the masses just as the above mentioned

that it is no longer advantageous for them to resist by going to the streets in large numbers and when they see the advantage in the activities of the guerilla warfare method, they will quickly follow this example. But first they must respect the party which is transmitting this message. When the Vanguard group destroys the machinery of the oppressor by dealing with him in small groups of three and four, and then escapes the might of the oppressor, the masses will be overjoyed and will adhere to this correct strategy. When the masses hear that a gestapo policeman has been executed while sipping coffee at a counter, and the revolutionary executioners fled without being traced, the masses will see the validity of this type of approach to resistance. It is not necessary to organize thirty million Black people in primary groups of two's and three's, but it is important for the party to show the people how to go about revolution. During slavery, in which no vanguard party existed and forms of communication were severely restricted and insufficient, many slave revolts occurred.

There are basically three ways one can learn: through study, through observation and through actual experience. The Black community is basically composed of activists. The community learns through activity, either through observation of or participation in the activity. To study and learn is good, but the actual experience is the best means of learning. The party must engage in activities that will teach the people. The Black community is basically not a reading community. Therefore, it is very significant that the vanguard group first be activists. Without this knowledge of the Black community, one could not gain the fundamental knowledge of the Black revolution in racist America.

Panthers Sue City of Oakland

A federal civil suit has been filed by the attorneys of HUEY P. NEWTON, BOBBY SEALE, ELDRIDGE CLEAVER, and 14 other members of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY to stop the systematic discrimination, cruelty and abuse, harassment and intimidation, jailing and killing imposed and inflicted upon them by the Oakland pigs and the white power structure of the City of Oakland and the County of Alameda.

The plaintiffs are HUEY P. NEWTON, REV. EARL A. NEIL, BOBBY SEALE, ELDRIDGE CLEAVER, KATHLEEN CLEAVER, AUDHY HUDSON, DAVID HILLIARD, ALPRENTICE CARTER, CHARLES E. BURSEY, TERRY MACY COTTON, DONNELL JOSEPH LANKFORD, WENDELL WADE, WARREN WILLIAM WELLS, ROBERT BAY, GLEN STAFFORD, TERRY CLARIDY, AND RICHARD LINYARD. The defendants are CITY OF OAKLAND, a Municipal Corporation, JOHN READING, Mayor of Oakland, CHARLES GAIN, Chief of Police of Oakland, HERBERT HEANES, J. FRANK COAKLEY, District Attorney of Alameda County, SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMEDA.

In the suit, the attorneys, GARRY, DREYFUS, McTERNAN & BROTSKY, listed those activities of the defendants which have been undertaken to destroy the Black Panthers, to frustrate and to prevent the program of the Black Panthers ... and the full equality of black citizens of California and residents of the Northern District of California.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

1) The consistent and systematic actions of the Oakland Police Department to deprive plaintiffs of constitutional rights, to harass, crush, and intimidate; to kill, maim and wound; to arrest, detain and jail without reasonable probable, or any cause, plaintiffs and Black Panthers causing defendant COAKLEY to prosecute same under unconstitutional California statutes;

2) the undue harassment of Huey P. Newton for one year prior to Oct. 28, 1967, and the events of that night resulting in indictment and scheduled illegal and unlawful trial by defendants COAKLEY and the SUPERIOR COURT on May 6, 1968,

3) the unlawful entry and search into the home of Bobby Seale on February 25, 1968, and the criminal charges resulting entirely from the fruits of the illegal search and seizure forbidden by the Fourth and Fourteenth Amendments.

4) the illegal search and resulting charges of the plaintiffs HUDSON, HILLIARD, and CARTER, the same night of February 25, 1968, upon leaving Seale's home.

5) the illegal and unlawful shooting to death of Bobby Hutton and the simultaneous arrests of ELDRIDGE CLEAVER, BURSEY, COTTON, HILLIARD, LANKFORD, WADE and WELLS by numerous members of the Oakland Police Department.

6) the illegal arrest and conviction of SEALE on May 22, 1967.

7) the illegal entry and search on January 15, 1968 into the home of ELDRIDGE and KATHLEEN CLEAVER, with guns drawn, and the ransacking of the plaintiff's home and disturbance and harassment by the San Francisco Police Department with ugly and vulgar language and conduct.

8) the illegal jailing of BAY, STAFFORD, CLARIDY, and LINYARD on April 13, 1968, and the physical abuse of STAFFORD with chemical Mace, and their illegal and unlawful detainment until April 15.

9) the cruel and abusive treatment accorded Huey P. Newton while at Kaiser and Highland hospitals by members of the Oakland Police Department. including

10) the illegal entry into St. Augustine's Church on April 3, 1968, with guns drawn while plaintiffs and Black Panthers were holding a peaceful meeting.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION:

1) the prevention of a fair trial for Huey P. Newton on May 6, 1968 because of the arrests and institution of criminal charges against the Black Panthers have been so widely and extensively publicized by the mass media; TV, radio, and the press; and because of the conduct of the Oakland Police Department and defendants, and because of the background of white racism, described in the report of the President's National Advisory Commission of Civil Disorders.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION:

1) Newton cannot get a fair trial because of the unconstitutional selection of Grand Jurors set down in the California Penal Code which prevents a fair and representative cross-section of the community of Alameda County and systematically excludes wage earners and the poor, thus excluding black people.

The following excerpts are from the notarized statements made by Black Panthers WELLS, WADE, LANKFORD, HILLIARD, and BURSEY after the night of April 6, 1968 during which Bobby Hutton, Black Panther subcaptain and treasurer, was murdered by officers of the Oakland Police Department.

The complete statements which are part of the federal suit by the Panthers against the City of Oakland, clearly show the systematic harassment, threats, and intimidation by the Oakland Police Department to 1) confuse and deceive each of the brothers and turn them against each other and on Eldridge Cleaver by blatantly lying to each of them; 2) to get statements from them which would build up as much evidence against Eldridge Cleaver as possible.

WELLS: "... They told me that if I did not cooperate with them and give them the statement that they wanted, they had the power to see that Eldridge Cleaver and I would be convicted of the murder of Bobby Hutton and that we would both be sent to the gas chamber... The officers took the statement, wrote it themselves, and then asked me to sign it, without letting me read it and without reading it back to me.

MINE SHOOTS TOO

WADE: "... He then asked me what kind of a gun I had, and then he pulled out a snub-nosed pistol and asked if the gun I had was loaded, and would shoot and said 'my gun can shoot, too.' During all this, he was pointing the gun right into my face."

LANKFORD: "... He then told me that Eldridge Cleaver had said that everybody had made statements against him, and so he was going to make statements against the rest of us. He also said that

he already knew everybody who was involved and that he really didn't need my answers because he already knew everything anyway. But he said things would go very hard for me if I didn't give him the answers he wanted. He then asked me whether I was getting paid by the Black Panthers and said that nobody in the Black Panthers was getting any money except Eldridge Cleaver, Bobby Seale and Huey Newton. He said the lawyers were only going to do work for those three who had the money and wouldn't do anything for the rest of us. He told me also that if I told any of the things he said to me to my lawyer, he would deny them all."

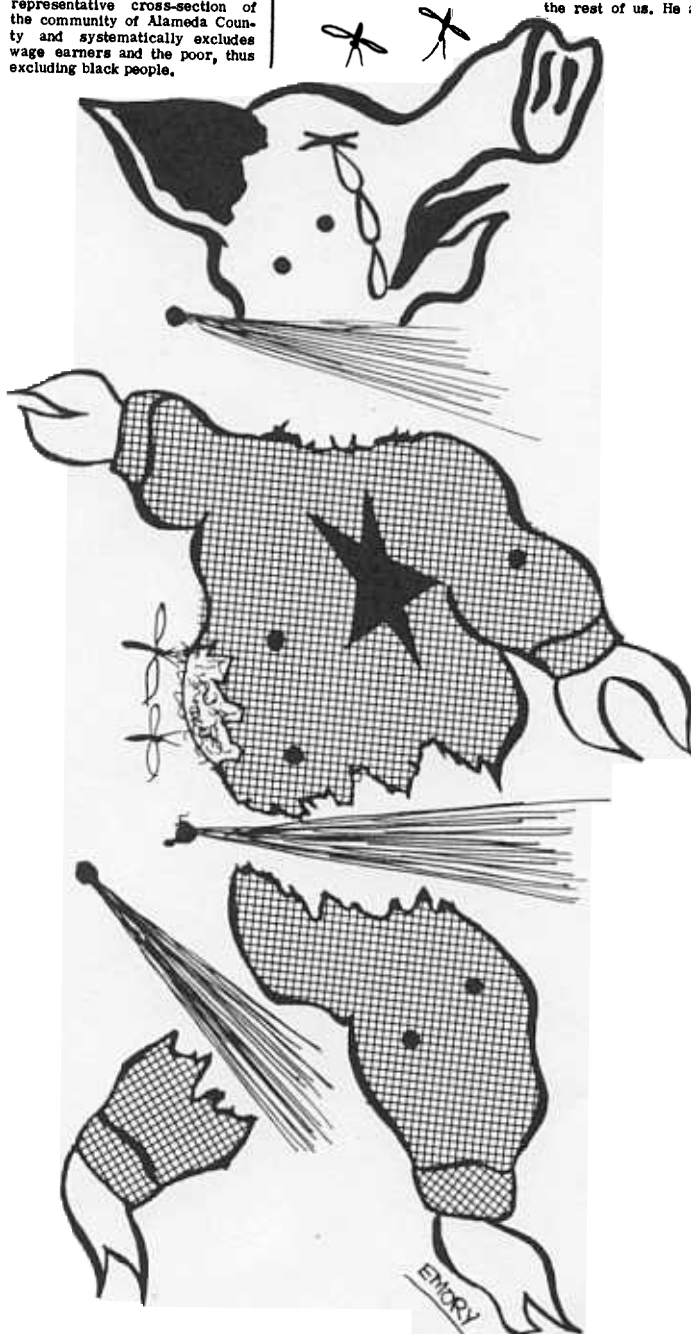
TOO MUCH TELEVISION

HILLIARD: "The officer told me I was a fool because it would only be bad for me to take the Fifth Amendment when I could answer Yes or No. Then I requested a phone call to my attorney. He said I couldn't call an attorney until he gets ready for me to call an attorney. Then he said I had been looking at television too much if I thought I had a right to call an attorney."

BURSEY: "... Sergeant Stevenson said, 'Eldridge Cleaver, that son-of-a-bitch, is no damn good and is just trying to bring everybody down with him because he knows he has no hope.' ... They also told me that if I wouldn't make a written statement I could just make an oral statement as long as I said that Eldridge Cleaver started everything and was to blame for everything..."

"When I was first arrested in a house in Oakland ... the policemen who arrested me kicked me and told me that they should make me run out into the back yard and he said, 'Yes, I should shoot you down with your own gun.' I was frightened and didn't know what he meant because I did not have a gun. They took off my shoes there and kicked me so hard on my left foot that I still have a large bruise ... (later) in the room they had taken me two plainclothesmen were there and one told me if I didn't make a statement they would beat me to an inch of my life. He wrote out a thing similar to what I had told him previously at the house where I was arrested, but he told me that I had to add that I lost my shoes because they were two sizes too big for me while I was running..."

The affidavits of WELLS, STAFFORD, BAY, LANKFORD, HILLIARD, BURSEY, COTTON, WADE, AND TERRY CLARIDY are attached to the suit and show very plainly the direct manner in which harassment, brutality, intimidation and cruelty by the Oakland Police Department have taken place. □□□



FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

1) the criminal prosecutions against NEWTON were begun at

possible so as to ensure his life imprisonment; 3) to intimidate them to the extent that they would

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