

20th Day
10 month
Year of the Dragon

As Salaam Alaikum,

Comrade Malika,

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It's been awhile since i've called you that, on reflection had i related to you more on that level, alot of contradictions, could have been avoided or at least resolved, Having respect for you as a Comrade, love for you as a comrade & wife. One is an objective relationship based upon revolutionary principle and the other is a subjective relationship, when dealing with emotions one can become very subjective and narrow minded. The man feels duty bound to care for his family, while the revolutionary duty is to the people, helping the people to help themselves, which in turn since all things are interdependent, interconnected and determine by each other means helping his family. In analyzing the present and past situation i realize you put your finger on alot of problems that beset us as a group. Whenever we had serious political rap's or the psychological aspect of what was going on, it opened our minds bringing about a unity. Those things we discussed are important in the development of organization; we rapped about principles but never really defined. P.E., ideological struggle, criticism and self-criticism are the cement that holds the organization together. In dealing with comrades i get off into revolutionary ideology, principle understanding ^{the} dialectical method of thinking, then strategy and tactic's. I also correct mistaken ideas and except their criticisms, i take the time to break things down so as to avoid confusion. It was in drawing up an infra-structure and strategy for action that i objectively recognized the problem it presented and how to correct or deal with them. After Sha was recaptured he spoke about how hard or fucked up the situation was, you & i spoke on it too, why moves for safe

houses wasn't being dealt with, the conclusion we came to was no one really expected anyone to come out of these camps, neither did they expect to stand on themselves. Had we an organization based upon revolutionary principle the problems you & the other comrades were confronted with could have been avoided, now we must correct these things so they do not happen to others. The vanguard is the first to feel the difficulties of what lies ahead, so that those who come behind know what to avoid or how to deal with it.

I use to say people don't care because of their action or lack of action, now after objectively analyzing I can say that maybe in a few cases that was true but overall it was incorrect, especially without taken into account class origin, and other subjective factors. We call each other niggas, lumps, yet we know that the lumpen proletariat are undisciplined and unprincipled and unreliable people very slipshod in their work. Then there was petty bourgeois individualism that manifested itself with it's strong aversion to self-discipline. A basic mistake was assuming everyone knew what to do and how to do it. An organization based upon principle, ideology, and rules to ensure discipline are the only way to bring a many faced people together and deal with the complex problems that arise. Our collective will was disburst because of personalities who didn't understand the need of keeping abreast of the political situation, and openingly discuss things. With an organization to break down the negative tendencies and give direction more can be accomplished. Only by educating comrades and elevating their political consciousness can we be assured of having a foundation on which to build.

A lot of things that happen was because of not realistically viewing things objectively where you were concerned, I felt comrades

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would look out for you & the children; you see we have to define that word also. Only when we recognize these things for what they are can we offer correct solutions. Faith in people is in recognizing what they are capable of doing not in what *i* as an individual is, it means also in constantly keeping check on what is happening. I find on reflection your view more realistic in terms of people while mine was idealistic. So now I am seeking ideas, and opinions laying down a more realistic guide line. I am still a dreamer, always will be but be more concrete in dealing with comrades, so in essence find away to make the vision visible to others thus raising their political consciousness. I have always been in favor of P.E. classes for guerrillas but most comrades feel that P.E. is learned only in the street. Ideas are what sustain people when emotions are spent so implement them among the comrades, engage in ideological struggle, deal with criticism. This letter is in keeping with the principle of unity - criticism - unity. To have a desire for unity is a start but only through constructive criticism can we reach a new unity. It is said, "New things always experience difficulties and setbacks as they grow. It is sheer fantasy to imagine that the cause of liberation is all plain sailing and easy success, without difficulties and setbacks or the exertion of tremendous efforts." In times of difficulty we must not lose sight of our achievements, must see the bright future and pluck up our courage. Give our love to the righteous comrades, we are working on how to put a program into effect with people doing more meaningful work, you can only correct mistaken ideas with correct ones, undiscipline with discipline, an organization must have rules, and principle if it is to survive and grow. Take into a-

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count the interdependence, interconnection of phenomena, and how all things are determined by it. One must be aware that things they do can affect the world, personal things unless they don't interfere with work should not be considered but things that create tension to a tense situation must be dealt with. ~~With~~ ^{will try to get} ~~start~~ ~~and~~ ~~get~~ the ideas and suggestions to you before long. If we work at this with conscientious effort the Black Liberation Army can become the instrument in leading the people to freedom. At times it may get rough but difficulties can be surmounted, obstacles can be overcome.

With Revolutionary Love
Your Comrade in Arms
Nikh

P.S.

I want to send Nikh something for his birthday but don't know where he is and the 30th is ten days from now.

Those crackers are really getting bold but that's good it brings it all down front. We gonna win, just have to organize. The Comrades are in good spirit. The snake testified as a character witness for Mike, Harold & Hummie, pure opportunism.

You, Comrade are one of those sensitive people and because of it the pain is always deeper, yet because of such feelings the world moves closer to humanity. The sensitive bring back man's true direction, the forces that oppose you are strong and may take much from you but will never defeat you. Take care. Remember the well shall not run dry, the river shall not flow as long as our hopes are clouds and our tears are drops of rain, life goes on.

love's sole reason for existence is to express and fulfil itself

It is patient, understanding and yielding to its purpose

Soft and gentle like a summer breeze

Also violent as an earthquake

But still in its essence, love, free, and pure.

Saturday 11th

Bismillah - in Rahman ir Raheem

Solan,