

CONCERNING HARD DRUGS:
ONE ASPECT OF OUR STRUGGLE

BECAUSE OF THE WIDESPREAD USE OF HARD DRUGS IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY AND THE OBVIOUS POLICE INDIFFERENCE AND INABILITY TO DEAL WITH THIS PLAGUE IN OUR COMMUNITIES, IT IS THE DUTY OF THE PEOPLE WHO SUFFER MOST FROM DOPE TRAFFIC TO PUT AN END TO THIS PLAGUE.

IT IS OUR DUTY AS VICTIMS OF BOTH POLICE CORRUPTION AND BLACK PROFITEERING TO GIVE NO QUARTER TO THOSE WHO WOULD PROFIT FROM OUR WHOLESAL DESTRUCTION. FOR TOO LONG WE HAVE GIVEN REFUGE TO THE MERCHANTS OF DEATH IN OUR MIDST BY OUR VERY ASSOCIATION WITH THEM IN AFTER HOURS SPOTS, GAMBLING DENS AND THE LIKE, WHERE THEY ARE ALLOWED IMMUNITY FROM RETRIBUTION BECAUSE OF POLICE CORRUPTION.

IF OUR PEOPLE ARE TO ACQUIRE THEIR LIBERATION FROM THE EXPLOITATIVE FORCES THAT CONTROL US, WE MUST DRAW CLEAR LINES BETWEEN THOSE WHO ARE BACKWARDS AND UNINFORMED, FROM THOSE WHO ARE BACKWARDS AND INFORMED. THE VERY NATURE OF OUR SITUATION AS WHOLE, OUR HISTORICAL AND PRESENT RELATIONSHIP TO THE POLICE AND THE COURTS, EXCLUDES THESE AGENCIES OF THE STATE FROM CONCRETELY DEALING WITH THE CRUX OF OUR COMMUNITIES ILLS. WE OURSELVES ARE THE ONLY FORCE THAT CAN RID THE STREETS OF OUR COMMUNITY OF THE SHACKLES OF DRUG ADDICTION AND PROFITEERING. NOT BY TURNING THE DRUGS OVER TO THE VERY AGENCIES THAT UPHOLD OUR SYSTEM OF EXPLOITATION AND THAT HELP CREATE THE VOID THAT DRUGS FILL, BUT BY CREATING A COMMUNITY CLIMATE THAT ALLOWS THE BLACK PROFITEER NO QUARTER AND NO HIDING PLACE, WHILE GIVING THE VICTIMS OF HIS PROFITS COMMUNAL HELP AND UNDERSTANDING.

IF WE GO ABOUT OUR BUSINESS PARTYING AS USUAL, RUBBING SHOULDERS WITH KNOWN DRUG PROFITEERS, GAMBLING IN AFTER HOURS JOINTS WITH REPUTED WHOLESAL AND RETAIL DOPE MERCHANTS, WE ARE IN FACT PARTAKING OF THEIR BLOOD MONEY. INDEED, WE ARE DOING NOTHING MORE THAN REDISTRIBUTING THEIR ILL GOTTEN WEALTH UNDER THE MASK OF HAVING A GOOD TIME. THOUGH WE DO THIS INDIVIDUALLY AND MAYBE UNCONSCIOUSLY, WE WILL BE MADE TO SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES COLLECTIVELY AND CONSCIOUSLY.

THE PURPOSE OF THE POLICE WHEN RELATED TO OUR PEOPLE'S MANY PROBLEMS SUCH AS THIS ONE, IS RELEGATED TO THE PHILOSOPHIC. THEIR ACTUAL FUNCTION IN OUR COMMUNITY COMES FORWARD AND STANDS OUT CLEARLY FOR ALL WHO HAVE EYES TO SEE. THEY ARE IN REALITY THE GUARDIANS OF THE VERY ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS THAT A RACIST RULING CIRCLE HAS CREATED AND THAT HAS SPAWNED THE EMOTIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL NEED IN US TO USE HARD DRUGS. THAT HISTORY HAS BESTOWED THIS UPON THE POLICE, IS NOT COMPLETELY THEIR FAULT. BUT IT WILL BE OURS IF WE DO NOT CORRECT IT. INDEED, IT WILL BE "EQUAL" FASCISM FOR ALL. SO WHERE ARE WE TO LOOK FOR RELIEF? SURELY NOT TO COMMISSIONER MURPHY AND NOT TO ALBANY WITH ITS UNREAL PROGRAMS AND DISNEYLAND LEGISLATION. OUR RELIEF AND HOPE LIE WITHIN OUR VERY COMMUNITIES. MOVING ON THOSE CONDITIONS AND PROFITEERS IN A CONCRETE AND FORCEFUL MANNER, AND IN A MANNER DESIGNED TO TAKE THE PROFIT OUT OF OUR MISERY. CONDITIONS ARE SUCH THAT DRASTIC ACTION IS CALLED FOR. THOSE AMONG US WHO CANNOT RELATE TO THIS AND BECOME TOOLS OF REPRESSION, WHILE MISERY GOES ON UNABATED, NEED NOT CRY FOUL AND CLAIM "BLACKNESS" WHEN THEY ARE TREATED AS PART OF THE PROBLEM.

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