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> on Monday, the Sixth of December, Two Thousand Four at ten o'clock in the morning in Golden Hall, San Diego Concourse, 202 "C" Street

Reception immediately following in the Golden Hall Lobby of the San Diego Concourse Thank you for your support.

I hope you are able to attend the

Inaugural Ceremony.

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Lauri.Keller@earthlink.net

Dear Friend,

I want to extend a heartfelt thanks for your serving on the host committee for the upcoming Latino unity event on behalf of my campaign for City Attorney. Your ongoing support means a great deal to me personally.

I also greatly appreciate any effort you may give in recruiting others to the event. As you know, strong fundraising is an important measure of any campaign. That is why your raising \$1,000—or any amount you can do—is so important.

If you would like additional invitations or an e-mail version transmitted to you, please contact Lauri Keller at 619.299.3269. You may also contact her at Lauri.keller@earthlink.net.

Again, thank you for all your efforts. Ya es nuestro tiempo!

Sincerely,



CARLOS PIMENTEL Sergeant

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Subj:

Thank You

Date:

6/3/2004 2:45:35 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From:

reggiegomez@hotmail.com

To:

AztecBaca@aol.com

Thought I'd drop you a quick line to thank you for your valuable insight. After we spoke, I gave what you said alot of thought. Se calento mi sangre. Even if I don't succeed, there are good law enforcement leaders out there trying to cope with community issues in a legit manner. Calipatria was looking for someone like me to repair damages and build partnerships. Hopefully, NC is looking for the same type of person.

Si Dios quiere, I'll be the next Chief. If not, it's a small world. We'll bump into each other again...Reggie

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Reynaldo T. Gomez 2571 W. Hamilton Ave. El Centro, CA 92243 reggiegomez@hotmail.com

May 17, 2004

Herman Baca, President Committee on Chicano Rights 710 E. Third St. National City, CA 91950

Dear President Baca:

I have recently applied for the position of Police Chief for the City of National City. I was born and raised in the City of Calexico and worked there for 19 years. I am currently the Police Chief for the City of Calipatria for about 4 years. I was raised in a traditional, modest home and I am familiar with border issues. When this employment opportunity presented itself, I felt enthused to apply.

As part of my research into the City of National City, I entered a search engine and found an "open letter" from the Atzlan newspaper to your attention dated July 16, 2003. Needless to say, it raised some concern on my part. As a result, I was wondering if you could contact me for a few questions I have.

Basically, I would like to know what kind of Police Chief your organization is looking for as an acceptable member of the Community. What are concerns your organization has had in the past and how they were addressed. Any suggestions on how the Police Department can interact with the Community?

I understand you must be very busy and thank you for taking time out to read this letter. I do look forward to hearing from you. Please feel free to communicate with me through my above email address.

Sincerely yours,

Reynaldo T. Gomez

Subj:

Re: 5-17-04 correspondence

Date:

6/2/2004 6:22:51 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From:

AztecBaca

To:

reggiegomez@hotmail.com

6-02-04

Sr. Gomez:

I am assuming by your e-mail that you have had a change of heart and no longer wish the feedback solicited in your 5-17-04 correspondence, regarding the following:

- * "What kind of Police Chief your organization is looking for as an acceptable member of the community,"
- * "What are concerns your organization has had in the past and how they were addressed,"
- * "Any suggestions on how the Police Department can interact with the community?"

I have to assume that a change of heart has taken due to your e-mail stating, "Best case senario: You and I will meet someday as Chief and President to address community concerns."

I will, so their is no misunderstanding, once again reiterate my e-mail response to your correspondence:

"If you wish to discuss our organization community perceptions you can get a hold of me on Thursday (June 03, 04). Morning (9 to 10) or late afternoon (5 to 6) are the best time to get a hold of me. I can be reached at (619) 477-3800 if you still wish to discuss the above."

Your prompt e-mail response, whether you plan to phone or not would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance,

Herman Baca, President

Subj:

RE: 5-17-04 correspondence

Date:

6/2/2004 12:40:55 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From:

reggiegomez@hotmail.com

To:

AztecBaca@aol.com

Thank you very much for responding. From what I have gathered, there seems to be a lack of dialogue between the City and Community. It seems to be an "us against them" atmosphere instead of an "us for them". I have been following the JC Penny incident which, to say the least, is disturbing to me. Prior to being the Chief in Calipatria, I worked 19 years in Calexico and am very familiar with border issues. I must disagree with NCPD's policy as quoted in the Union/Tribune.

What is happeining in NC just doesn't happen in Calexico (my home town) due largely to citizens' proactive involvement at Council meetings. We keep our officials in check. NCPD, again it's a feeling I have, seems to have become a military regime and has strayed from the basic philosophy of Community Oriented Policing. Hopefully the PD's new citizen review group will open lines of communication. But implementation starts at the top. Hopefully, that's where I would come in.

I have obstacles to overcome if I'm to be a successful candidate, so your help is greatly appreciated.

Best case senario: You and I will meet someday as Chief and President to address community concerns. In the mean time, keep up the good fight...

Chief Reggie Gomez Calipatria Police Department

>From: AztecBaca@aol.com >To: reggiegomez@hotmail.com >Subject: 5-17-04 correspondence >Date: Tue, 1 Jun 2004 17:35:00 EDT

>6-01-04

>Mr. Gomez:

>I finally found time to respond to you letter of May 17, 2004. Having

>in National City since 1955, and involved in the community since 1968, I >would be willing to discuss and share my opinions and historical

>background of

>what's wrong with both the city government and NCPD. If you wish to

>discuss

>our organization community perceptions you can get a hold of me on

>Thursday

>(June 03, 04). Morning (9 to 10) or late afternoon (5 to 6) are the best >time

>to get a hold of me. I can be reached at (619) 477-3800 if you still wish >to

>discuss the above.

>Herman Baca. President

>Committee on Chicano Rights (CCR)

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The American Legion (Magazine) 700 N. Pennsylvania, St. P.O. Box 1655 Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

Aug. 10, 20004 Albuquerque, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Jeff Stoffer:

This is in response to the article you wrote about mainly Mexican and Latino, Illegal Aliens, crossing the New Mexico and Arizona border, that appeared in the American Legion Magazine of August 2004.

First of all this is the most racist, and inflammatory, propaganda essay, against the Hispanic/Mexican and Latino people I have read since the late 1930,s when Lyle Saunders, Psychologist, used to write similar essays about the Mexican people.

The poor Hispanic/Mexican and Latino people have always been used as scapegoats when things go bad in the U.S.A. And have always been looked upon and treated as inferior people by the Anglos-Saxons and other Europeans, because they are Mestizo (Indian and Spanish).

First of all the Hispanic/Mexican's and Latino's, are not Illegal Aliens. The fact is the U.S. Southwest is, and was their habitat, and their ancestral heritage.

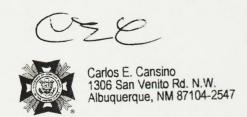
The Mexican Indians (Chichimec, Toltec and Aztec) claimed this as their habitat and traveled across the area freely. For example in the J. Disturnell Map published in 1847 in the USA, titled Mapa de Los Estados Unidos de Mejico (The United States of Mexico), points to the ancient home of the Aztec's in southern Utah. Next the Spanish, Conquerors, Explorers, and Colonizers also left us the lands of the Southwest as our heritage.

The Spanish first legitimized the marriage between the Spanish soldiers and the Indian women creating the Mestizo (Indio/Hispano) on October 19, 1514, signed by the king of Spain Fernando V, and more important the great Spanish King Phillip II, made the Hispanic/Mexican colonizers heirs of the Southwest by Ordinance 99 signed the 13, of July 1573. You find this in the book, Law of the Indies, written by the Spanish rulers of North and South America. So were are not Illegal Aliens you are.

I assume you are a Judeo-Christian and a Veteran, so you should know that the Jews were once Aliens in the land of Egypt under the Pharaos,

according their Bible. And in any U.S.A history in particular in the history of Texas, the Gringos, the white Anglo-Saxons, Germans, Jews, Scotch-Irish and other Europeans were immigrants to Mexican Tejas (Texas) in 1819. They asked for land and the benevolent Mexican government gave them large land grants, for them and their Black African Slaves. When the ungrateful Gringo immigrant alien became numerous, and wealthy, he became greedy and coveted all of their neighbors land in Tejas. They wanted the Ranchos, Haciendas and horse and cattle culture of the Tejanos (Native Mexicans of Texas) of the San Antonio area, the capitol of Tejas since Spanish times in 1772. The Mexican government passed a law on April 6, 1830. It stated that no more Gringos could come to Tejas, that they must liberate their slaves and that they had to pay taxes. They hated these laws and hated to be ruled by Mexicans and rose in rebellion. From here on any Gringo who crossed into Tejas was considered an "Illegal Alien." However more Gringo Illegal Aliens and filibusterers, crossed into Mexican Tejas to fight "Mexicans." U.S. President Andrew Jackson (1829-1837) who hated Indians and Hispanics supported the Illegal alien Gringo led rebellion in Mexican Tejas. Like today several Vendidos (Sell-outs) rich Hispanic/Mexican Tejanos also supported them, but the majority of Tejanos remained loyal to Mexico. President Jackson provided volunteers, arms, cannon and funds and they won their rebellion in 1836. The Gringos were not satisfied with Tejas and wanted also Nuevo Mejico (New Mexico), Arizona and California. In 1841 the Texans sent an armed expedition to claim Nuevo Mejico as part of Texas and in 1845, US President James K. Polk, annexed Tejas including Nuevo Mejico, to the Rio Grande west of Santa Fe and Albuquerque, thereby provoking a war with Mexico. The U.S. Army defeated the Mexican Army in 1848 and the real Illegal aliens, became our occupiers, by force of arms taking our habitat and all of our ancestral heritage, that we lovingly call Aztlan in memory of the Aztec Indians.

Now we are treated as conquered people under the USA, where most of us Hispanic /Mexican Americans work as "Cheap Laborers" for the Gringos. We pay taxes and fight in their wars and most of us are landless and live in poverty.



GAO Report Common Lands -Newsot report

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Deier Lopey Tijerina

Albuquerque, New Mexico February 25, 2003

To whom it may concern,

I Eduardo S. Chavez, heir of the Atrisco Land grant and co-founder of the Alianza Federal de Mercedes, as Secretary-Treasurer, with Reies Lopepez Tijerina, President, appoint Carlos Espinosa Cansino, with Mary Salazar with power of Attorney, to dispose of my personal belongings and Carlos also to do research, writing and lecturing on the Spanish/Mexican Land grants and to advocate for the cause of recovery that we represented; according to the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.

Eduardo S. Chavez,

Heir of Atrisco Land grant and

Secretary-Treasurer of the

Alianza Federal de Mercedes

Subj: Fwd: Important forum: Chicano Park, Aug. 22, 1pm

Date: 8/19/2004 4:19:19 PM Pacific Daylight Time

From: gcorona@sandiego.edu
To: gcorona@sandiego.edu

Begin forwarded message:

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> From: Rene Nuñez <nunez12@mail.sdsu.edu>
> Date: August 18, 2004 11:57:26 PM PDT
> To: <Undisclosed-Recipient:;@@sandiego.edu;>
> Subject: Fw: Important forum: Chicano Park, Aug. 22, 1pm
> ---- Original Message -----
> From: jorge mariscal
> To: Recipient List Suppressed:
> Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2004 6:39 PM
> Subject: Fwd: Important forum: Chicano Park, Aug. 22, 1pm
> SAN DIEGO MILITARY FAMILIES SPEAK OUT PRESENTS:
> A COMMUNITY FORUM
> END THE OCCUPATION OF IRAQ and
> BRING OUR LOVED ONES HOME!
> Sunday, August 22nd at 1pm
> Chicano Park
> The war and occupation of Irag continues despite the fact that a
> majority of people in the US believe it was a mistake. It continues
> despite the fact that the motivations for war have proven false. It
> continues despite a growing death toll of Iraqis and US troops.
> Military families across the country are standing up to say enough!
> Join us for a forum in the park and hear from military families, vets,
> active duty personnel, and social justice activists committed to the
> cause of peace, ending the occupation and bringing the troops home.
> Speakers:
> *Special Guest: Iraq War Veteran Ivan Medina, traveling from New
> York, will share his experiences on the ground in Iraq from the
> invasion to August '03, the impact on his family when his identical
> twin was killed in Iraq in November '03, and why WE MUST STOP THIS
> WAR!
>
> *Sonia Rodriguez, mother of a Marine currently based in Falluja.
> *Dr. Lorri Greene, Ph.D., will speak on PTSD and how families can
> prepare for our loved ones return
> *Jorge Mariscal, Project YANO (Project for Youth and Non-Military
> Opportunities)
> *Lynn Gonzalez of the San Diego Military Counseling Project will talk
> about service members rights and discharges
> *Fernando Suarez Del Solar, Co-Founder of Military Families Speak Out,
> Guerrero Azteca, father of fallen Marine
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Subj: FW: BARRIO STATION LAND DEALS RAISE QUESTIONS

Date: 8/30/2004 11:33:30 AM Pacific Daylight Time

From: elvira@maacproject.org

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ssaucedo@maacproject.org, wstewart@maacproject.org, brubio@maacproject.org,

joserpreciado@yahoo.com

I understand that this hit the local TV news (Ch. 8) over the weekend.....more to come I'm sure.

----Original Message-----From: Norma Chavez

Sent: Monday, August 30, 2004 11:13 AM

To: Elvira A. Diaz; Roger

RAISE QUESTIONS

(08-27-2004) - A pair of property deals involving one of San Diego's oldest charities is raising some serious questions tonight. The charity is Barrio Station, an organization that gets most of its funding from San Diego taxpayers.

The controversy involves the sale of two properties - one in the East County and one in Chula Vista. Barrio Station suffered big losses on one deal, and the family of the charity's director made a killing on the other.

An eight-acre ranch near Barrett Junction with a house, a swimming pool and basketball court - selling for \$165,000? How about a two-bedroom house in Chula Vista for \$170,000? Both of these sweetheart real estate deals actually took place, and they lead back to one of San Diego's most respected charities - Barrio Station and it's director Rachael Ortiz.

The non-profit Barrio Station has owned the ranch since the late 1980s. It ran summer youth camps on the property until, according to Ortiz, the ranch became a financial burden.

"The insurance and the overhead was too steep, so the board of directors opted to downsize," Ortiz said.

In January, the board authorized Ortiz to find a suitable buyer for the ranch "per her own observation and judgment," according to the resolution. The buyers Ortiz arranged were old family friends John and Carol Marquez. They bought the property in May for just \$165,000, about half its market value, according to real estate agent Gary Ryerson.

"I would say you probably couldn't buy the land for that," Ryerson said. "For [\$165,000], the realtor would have bought it. I would have bought it for \$165,000."

As it turns out, the Marquez family also owned another piece of property: a house in Chula Vista located directly next door to Rachel Ortiz's own home.

This is where the questions begin.

That's because, around the same time the Marquez family bought the Barrio Station Ranch at half price, they sold their house in Chula Vista for half price, to Rachel Ortiz's nephew. The nephew, Gilbert Sandoval, bought the house for \$170,000 - about \$200,000 below market value.

Neither property was ever listed on the open market.

Ortiz says the two property deals were not connected, and she claims she had no idea her nephew was buying the house right next to hers.

"I'm telling you it's unrelated," she said. "So I'm not going to talk anymore about the property next door. I'd appreciate you cooperating with that."

As for the ranch, Ortiz says she gave the Marquez family a discount, because John Marquez had done significant maintenance in the property over the years. Ortiz also says the board approved the selling price.

"They're aware of, over the years, of Mr. Marquez's efforts and time and expense he put into the ranch," she said. "I didn't have to convince them of anything, believe me."

A LOCAL 8 News producer recently caught up with John Marquez on the ranch property.

When asked how they got such a good deal on the ranch property, he said, "Because we're lucky. We go to church."

When we asked his wife Carol about the property sales, she told us not only did Rachel Ortiz know her nephew was buying the house next to hers, but she set up the deal herself.

"Rachel knows, because she's the one that did the whole thing," Carol said. "I just went along with her, that's all."

Marquez said she gave Ortiz's nephew a good deal on the house because Ortiz was giving her a good deal on the ranch.

"If that came from her heart or her thinking, I cannot speak for her," Ortiz said referring to Carol Marquez's remarks.

The real question is, was there wrongdoing? John Marquez says no.

"Let me tell you something. If I own something, I can sell it for a dollar if I want, right?" he said. "Can't you sell your car for a dollar to anybody you want?"

True enough, a private owner can sell property for any price he likes. But when it comes to a non-profit like Barrio Station, assets are supposed to be designated for charitable purposes. Those regulations are enforced by the IRS.

"Basically, all the profits that come into the charity left over after expenses have to remain in the charity," said attorney Douglas Gordon.

LOCAL 8 News asked Gordon to take a look at the Barrio Station land deals. He had questions, and told us the board of directors needs to investigate.

"It's their job to make sure the assets are used for charitable purposes," he said. "It's that simple."

For now, the board is standing by Ortiz, and the legality of the land deals. Ortiz's nephew did not respond to LOCAL 8's attempts to reach him for comment.

The Chula Vista house he purchased next door to Ortiz is still sitting vacant - four months after the sale.



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October 19, 2004

To: NC Council Candidates

Re: Positions on Issues effecting NC

Incumbents Councilman Ron Morrisson and Fideles Ungab voting record over the last 2-year, has prompted our organization to take the position that any candidate presently vying for NC Council will better serve the city than the status quo represented by this two politicians. In order that we can inform and recommend to supporters/ members/voters in NC what candidates will represent the residents/taxpayers/voters' interest on the new NC Council we are requesting that you respond and state your position on the following issues:

1. NC voters mandated Prop. L, which 2300 voters signed petitions for and voted (70%) in the 2002

election, ordering the creation of a police review board. The NC Mayor and City Council (including

Morrison and Ungab) instead of carrying out the voters proposition instead choose to subvert and betray democracy and the will of the voters by manipulating and ignoring the mandate, Are you in favor of retaining the present police review board? For____Against , Favor the abolishment and creation of a new police review board as mandated/approved by the voters that includes, subpoena powers, all members reside in National City, members on the board be representative of the ethnic and economic composition of National City, no police officers serve on the board? For Against 2. What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) position of seeking Eminent Domain powers to condemn property over a period of 12 years? For Against 3. What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) having "secret" meeting that are called on a 24 hour notice on issues such as Eminent Domain on the city's west side, and approval of the 35 million Bayside hotel/gambling casino, also on the Westside? For Against 4. What is your position on the Mayor and city council (including Morrison and Ungab) increasing their salaries 18% without public input? For Against 5. What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) on doubling

resident's water and trash fees without holding public hearings?

For ____Against

	6.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) placing sewage fees on resident's property tax bills? ForAgainst
	7.	What is your position on the spending of the \$350,000 fee, which is returned yearly to the city by EDCO Trash Company? For Against
	8.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) charging to participate in public community meetings? ForAgainst
	9.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) sponsoring and financing \$7,000 to \$9,000 Xmas parties? For Against
	10.	What is your position on the city building homes on public school grounds? For Against
	11.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) allowing the NCPD traffic division to target residential areas, and failing to respond to resident's petitions about the practice? For Against
	12.	What is your position on NCPD stating that, "the city council cannot run the police department?" For Against
	13.	What is your position on the NCPD forcing Mexicans (mainly youth) to sit on curbsides like Viet-Cong war prisoners, mainly for traffic stops? For Against
	14.	What is your position on the NCPD role in the J.C. Penny issue of calling the Border Patrol and having individuals deported? For Against
	15.	What is your position on Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) Proposition "S," calling for a 12 million property tax increase? For Against
	16.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) proposed 35 million dollar Hotel/gambling casino that will be built on the Westside Bay Front? For Against
		nmediate response by October 28, 2004 to inform voters before the upcoming election would be appreciated.
Th	ank	you in advance,
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Herman Baca

Community Organization, News Media

3.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) having "secret" meeting that are called on a 24 hour notice on issues such as Eminent Domain on the city's west side, and approval of the 35 million Bayside hotel/gambling casino, also on the Westside? For AgainstX
	I am against having the current city council having secret meetings over matters that impact the lives of National City Residents. There is a lack of transparency and accountability when city government makes decisions that are not open to the public for their comments and suggestions.
4.	What is your position on the Mayor and city council (including Morrison and Ungab) increasing their salaries 18% without public input? For AgainstX
	I believe it is a conflict of interest when the current city government increases their own salaries without public input. There should be a way to gauge their raises, if they merit it, by having an independent body (i.e. A sub-committee formed by the neighborhood councils throughout National City, etc.) review and approve such actions. As a caveat, If there are no merit raises to any of the city staff, there should also be no raises to the city council members including the Mayor.
5.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) on doubling resident's water and trash fees without holding public hearings? For Against X
	I am against having the current city council making decisions over matters that impact the lives of National City Residents without holding public meetings. Again, there is a lack of transparency and accountability when city government makes decisions that are not open to the public for their comments and suggestions. City council and mayor can come and go after their term limits but city residents stay forever in National City because they call it their home. We can no longer tolerate the lack of consideration by city government of the negative impacts they bring into our lives.
6.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) placing sewage fees on resident's property tax bills? For Against X
	While I understand the concern that unpaid sewer bills and health hazards it would impose if the sewer service were discontinued, I disagree in placing the sewage fees on residents' property tax bill. The city government thus creates additional income to the city in which they can manipulate the funds collected to whatever use they want, with no guarantees that it will go towards improving the sewer systems.
7.	What is your position on the spending of the \$350,000 fee, which is returned yearly to the city by EDCO Trash Company? For Against
	I need to be educated more on the issue as to why EDCO Trash Company returns yearly funds to the city and where the city spends the \$350k before I can make a thorough analysis of the situation.
8.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) charging to participate in public community meetings? For Against X
	I am totally against charging our city residents to participate in public community meetings. City governments must always look at ways to be inclusive of all of its residence in the decision making process within the city rather then alienate them. This is the reason I have picked the campaign slogan, Democracy for All—Demokrasya Para Sa Lahat-Democracia Para Todos.



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IS DEMOCRACY DEAD IN NATIONAL CITY? (WHO IS IN CHARGE AND RUNS NATIONAL CITY)

The "uncomfortable truth," known to most National City (NC) residents/taxpayers/voters for years, that the National City Police Department (NCPD) is out of control, accountable to no one, a law on to itself, and has been condoned by past and present Mayor's and City Council, is now public. The J.C. Penney incident, with the mayor and city council ordering a felony investigation, the NCPD defying the council's orders and refusing to release the report has not only confirmed this, but has raised the disturbing political questions of who is in charge and running NC's government.

Statements made by:

- 1. NCPD's hired two-bit gunslinger "liaryer" Everett Bobbitt that, "the City Council cannot run the Police Department, (SD Union 3-17-04), and seeking a restraining order to block city officials from investigating (SD Union 4-02-04) the NCPD role in the JC Penney incident,
- 2. Al Bailey, an 18 year retired police officer who is chairman of the "bogus biased police controlled" Community and Police Relations Commission stating that a public hearing (SD Union 4-1-01) will be held on the J.C. Penney incident "inviting the residents of NC who supports our police department to attend and demonstrate their support."
- 3. Mayor Inzunza's statement (La Prensa-3-19-04) that, "until the (JC Penney) investigation report is made public, he can't speculate on the safety of National City residents from the threat of police detainment and deportation."

Has reinforced the perception that the mayor and city council are not in control that an impasse or a "crisis of leadership" exists at city hall. Whether this perception is true or not, the facts remain that NC young inexperienced mayor and the "rubber stamp" city council are now reaping what they sowed because of their arrogant and undemocratic handling of Proposition "L." In 2003 the mayor and city council instead of heeding voters call to address the festering problem of deteriorating police/community relations by creating a community-based police review board with subpoena powers, choose instead to challenge the 2300 petitions signed by voters/taxpayer's, and then after the passage of Prop. "L," (70% approval) in the 2003 election proceeded to politically manipulate the results by creating the present toothless and bogus police controlled review board.

The "sellout" of Proposition "L," to the NCPD by the mayor and city council has now come back to haunt them and is the primary reason for the current impasse and "crisis of leadership" at city hall. N.C. residents/voters/taxpayers demand answers as to who is in charge and running city hall, and assurances that the NCPD is controlled and accountable to there elected representatives.

The mayor and council in order to assure National City residents that they are in control must:

- 1. Enforce the six motions passed (unanimously), and immediately order and demand that the NCPD release the J.C. Penney investigation report, which N.C. taxpayers paid for and have the right to review.
- 2. Immediately suspend or fire **any police official** who refuses to follow orders to immediately release the J.C. Penney felony investigation report,
- 3. Ordering N.C. City Attorney George Eiser to legally carry out Mayor Inzunza's public (Starnews-3-19-04) pronouncement that "the city will go all the way to the state Supreme Court if necessary to fight Attorney Bobbitt" on the J.C. Penney incident report and,
- 4. Abolish the "bogus biased police controlled," Community and Police Relations Commission.

In closing if the mayor and city council are going to restore "public confidence," with NC residents/taxpayers/voters they must meet head on the issue of the NCPD defiance and insubordination. If legal challenges do not suffice, political action should be initiated to revamp the police department from top to bottom. If that fails the city should seriously abolishing the department and contracting with outside sources for law enforcement until such time as a new, viable, accountable and professional police can be structured for the residents of National City.

The following examples cite how the current city government has used the commission:

- 1. Using the commission to cover-up the incident that occurred at the JC Penney store in Plaza Bonita, where the police joined the Border Patrol to deport a family who was innocently shopping at that mall. This incident continues to stay fresh in the migrant communities of National City.
- 2. Organizing forums and listing the commission as supporters or presenters, without first consulting the commission. In the most recent instance, the public safety town hall meeting held on September 1, 2004. As a result, the city government used the commission to manipulate public opinion for their "Public Safety Bond" which is slated for more funding for policing and infrastructure in the November ballot.

As an advocate of migrants' rights, it is with great disappointment that I find the commission, sitting as panelists with the US Border Patrol in the September 1 public town hall meeting, vying to push the public safety bond in the November ballot. I would never find myself compromising the needs of my community members and I questioned our participation and the process in which it took in effect. This was the last straw that broke the camel's back. I could no longer let my conscience and personal principles permit being part of a commission that is only used by the current city government when it is convenient for them.

I will continue to struggle for the rights of all the people of National City by attempting to win a seat in the City Council. I believe, as a city council member, I would be in a position to better materialize the wishes and desires of our communities. Even If I do not win the election, I will continue to raise the concerns of community residents for full accountability of the police.

2.	What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) position of
	seeking Eminent Domain powers to condemn property over a period of 12 years?
	For AgainstX
	I am against the power of Eminent Domain. Eminent Domain means that the city government can
	buy property at ANY TIME they wish and at a price that THEY deem to be "market value", not
	what the owner considers their property to be worth.

Knowing the history of our current city government, we can only conclude that this proposal, giving the city the power of eminent domain, is nothing but a cover for large multimillion dollar corporate developers to take over more National City land and make tremendous profits at the expense of small businesses and property owners.

The truth is that the current city government does not respect or care about small businesses they:

- keep us misinformed.
- make decisions without the input or voice by holding public meetings during the day when people are at work,
- Continuously engage in street closures, electrical/power and water closures, with no concern as to how this will affect small businesses.

The city government states that they are only considering blight and abandoned businesses, when in reality National City has zoning areas that are considered combined commercial and residential areas. In addition, the Community Development Commission can always change their minds to include residential properties and they will use it if they are aggressively pursuing redevelopment at a fast pace. Eminent Domain has not been and will not be favorable for city residents and small businesses. NO POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN!

interested in going to college. We should be considering programs for our youth, such as paid interns—whether in City Hall or the mom and pop businesses that are in the cities, places like Paradise Valley Hospital, etc. If we provide the space and opportunities for the kids, it may help them determine what they want to do with their life after they leave school.

Our youth are also not provided the culturally relevant education they need as a result of budget cuts-Spanish, Tagalog classes are being taken away, and there is not emphasis on classes to learn their history and how it influences their conditions within the community and ways to better their conditions. I fully support bilingual education. Our youth can only benefit from the fruits of the education that is culturally relevant. As a community of made up of diverse ethnicity, the community in general can only benefit by embracing and learning the different culture that is embedded in the city.

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14.	What is your position on the NCPD role in the J.C. Penny issue of calling the Border Patrol and having individuals deported? For Against X I am against the Border Patrol collaborating with the police. I believe that city residents are intimidated by the NCPD. The collaborations with the Border Patrol instill more fear in the city residents. The population make-up of National City residents are composed of migrant communities and when the police and border patrol constantly instills fears and intimidation in the community, it does not mend any relations that have been severed by the police with the community and the city residents will always feel contempt towards the authority. It will keep our people from calling 911 if they need assistance or are witnesses to a crime that is being committed.
15.	What is your position on Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) Proposition "S," calling for a 12 million property tax increase? For Against X When 72% of the city's budget is focused on public safety, it does not leave anything for progressive programs for all our city residents (i.e., library being open all days of the week and later, more
	computers and programs for the library, tagalog, Spanish and English classes offered to the community, recreational areas for the youth, cultural interexchanges with the community, etc). Not only that, Proposition S is asking for \$12 million debt that you and <u>our children</u> would pay for. Let us be responsible and refocus our budget for programs for youth and seniors (i.e., relevant education for children, after school programs, cultural center, etc.). Not only that, the current chief of
	police and acting chief of police before him has said that we need to fix the image of the police why would we indebt ourselves and tap into our savings account for the city by paying for infrastructures and more policing. I have talked to city residents that have lived here for 30 years who wants to know the "high crime" rate that leads to request the bond to be pushed through no one seems to have the answer to this question.
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16. What is your position on the Mayor and City Council (including Morrison and Ungab) proposed 35
million dollar Hotel/gambling casino that will be built on the Westside Bay Front?
For AgainstX

The city has a bad reputation of making shoddy decisions to appease the rich land developers. For example, Red Lion and Holiday Inn being built next to each other (off of National City Boulevard). If they cannot make these hotels work for the city (they have been having problems with lack of occupancy---I wonder why), then why would we build a \$35 million dollar hotel on the Westside Bay Front. Gambling casinos are bad news for working class people, which is the majority of the population make-up of National City Residents, specifically that the city will never address gambling prevention and the problems that gambling brings to the families.

Your immediate response by October 28, 2004 to inform voters before the upcoming election would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance,

Herman Baca, President

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Community Organization, News Media



Committee on Chicano Rights 710 East Third Street ● National City, CA 91950 ● (619) 477-3800

October 19, 2004

Council Candidates, Mitch Beauchamp 1434 E. 24th Street National City, CA 91950

Re: Positions on Issues effecting NC.

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P O Box 1476 National City, CA 91951 Tel. (619) 472-2200 October 21, 2004

Location: 2720 E Plaza Blvd, Suite O National City, CA 91950

Mr Herman Baca, President CCR Committee on Chicano Rights 710 East Third Street National City, CA 91950

Dear Mr Baca,

Received your letter dated October 19, 2004 and it expresses my sentiments exactly. I am the only one in the Candidate Forums who have stated clearly and unequivocally that we must Vote the Incumbents OUT! Please see attached my Position Paper on Proposition "S" and Eminent Domain.

Please forgive the informality of my response to your query by writing directly on your letter. It was easier and faster to make my responses in that way. Your questions are very concise and applicable. Regrettably, I doubt enough from our community truly understand because of apathy and our own failure to inform and attack the matter in a concerted fashion.

The latest Poll rumor is that both the incumbents are ahead. This is bad for National City. I am doing a Mailer to high propensity voters which will ask voters to Vote NO on Proposition "S" and to vote the incumbents OUT because of their position on Eminent Domain.

Please call me if we can discuss any strategy. Regardless of whom CCR is endorsing, I am committed to defeating the incumbents because of their having made the unconscionable Eminent Domain proposal to the City, and their position on Proposition "S".

Sincerely,

Ayne B-Majul, Esq

Candidate National City Council



Committee on Chicano Rights 710 East Third Street • National City, CA 91950 • (619) 477-3800

October 19, 2004

Council Candidates, Ayne Baker Majui 2027 E. Plaza Blvd, #01-116 National City, CA 91950

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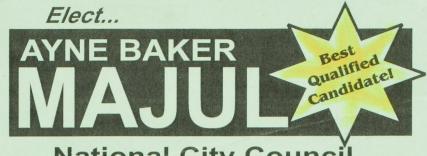
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National City Council
November 2, 2004

EXPERIENCE

- Lawyer
- Civil Servant
- Union Leader
- Publisher
- Mental Health Counselor

EDUCATION

- Juris Doctorate
- Master of Arts in Educational Psychology
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AYNE's POSITION ON NATIONAL CITY MATTERS:

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This will negatively affect all of us the businesses we depend on, the neighborhoods we love, and the quality of small city life we enjoy.

Eminent Domain should be exercised with great care and discretion and only to eliminate blight. It **should not** operate in fully developed areas with long standing successful businesses. Make our Council Members and Mayor heed us, and not greedy plans to accommodate wealthy developers. Say "NO" to this Eminent Domain plan.

Exercise your VOTE, Vote these leaders OUT, they do not serve us or our needs!

Proposition "S" - Vote "NO"

Proposition "S" is a \$12.3 Million Infra Structure Bond. It is to acquire, construct and modernize public safety facilities only. To bring these facilities to operation requires a matching fund of another \$12 Million for furnishing and equipment, i.e. computers, telecommunication systems, furniture, police cars, etc. And it requires an estimated \$5 Million per year for operation and administrative costs, i.e. staff and police salaries, utilities, etc. Where the rest of this money is to come from is unknown. Our City Council Members will only say it will come from future revenues. If we do not know where the funds will come from to finish and operate this \$12 Million outlay, we should not vote for it!

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VOTE "NO" on Proposition "S"

For more information Call:

Ayne Baker Majul, Esq Candidate for City Council, National City (619) 472-2200

or access web site "aynemajul.com"



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Elect...

MAJUL



National City Council

A Vote for AYNE is a Vote for Diversity!

We need a WOMAN in the Council! National City's population is 50% Women, yet we have no WOMEN on the Council. Also we have 17% Filipino-Americans. The community can only be enriched by all its different group's cooperation and representation.

AYNE is both a Woman and Filipino-American.

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Who better to serve the community than a long time resident. AYNE is a 15 year resident of National City and has maintained her Law Office in the City for 17 years.

Let's put a stop to candidates satisfying the most minimal residency requirements to springboard their political careers in our town.

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Ayne's Goals for National City

- RESPONSIBLE FISCAL SPENDING
- AFFORDABLE GROWTH
- MORE BUSINESS TO THE CITY
- MORE JOBS
- HIGHEST LEVELS OF CITY SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS

-in education, housing, police and fire protection, environmental cleanliness through recycling, graffiti control and garbage disposal, wide public dissemination of official activities at the City Hall

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"Solid link to community, business, government"

10/23/04

Herman Baca, President Committee on Chicano Rights, Inc. 710 E. 3rd Street National City, CA 91950

Tel: (619) 477-3800

RE: Positions on Issues affecting NC

Dear Mr. Baca,

Thank you very much for this opportunity. The following are my answers to the guestionnaire.

 I am NOT in favor of retaining the present police review board. We need members of that board to be objective and have teeth to take care of business.

We need to create a new police review board as MANDATED. We have to make sure that boardmembers have the expertise and be given subpoena powers as allowed by law to gather specific information relevant to the issue so the board can make an intelligent review.

- 2. CDC has existing power to exercise eminent domain already, to extend this power should be targeted to absentee property owners who just leave their property vacant and becomes blighted for years. Eminent Domain should be a last resort though, we should work with these absentee property owners to keep their property from being a blighted area and redevelop to it's highest and best use for economic vitality of our community. Cleaning up our community and putting these blighted areas for economic development will prevent from crimes, thus, a better quality of life for our city.
- 3. I am against "secret" meetings. I stand for open and productive governance with strong commitment to increase community involvement.
- 4. Again, I am against proceedings with no proper community involvement.
- Public Hearings is a key factor to inform constituents of the governance of our city. Failing to do so violates fiduciary duty to the people of our city.
- 6. This is something that you have to look at in a practical manner. The sewage fees like the property taxes does not just change, we can look at this two ways:
 - 1- instead of paying sewage company every other month take in consideration time, stamp cost plus if you forget to pay there is late penalty. OR
 - 2- just pay sewage company twice less stamp cost and we better pay or they'll put a lien to our properties.

My theory here, I pay sewage anyways 'coz we can't get away from it so I'd rather pay twice and save my time and stamp plus the aggravation of having that late penalty.

- I am not familiar with this matter, I will have to get more information from Mr. Steve South
 of EDCO so I will have a better understanding of this matter and then I can give you an
 intelligent position.
- 8. I sit in a lot of boards and I believe that it is just ethical to put a budget and guidelines regarding this matter to prevent abuse or misuse.
- Every City has a marketing budget for public relations purposes, but again, having specific guidelines regarding marketing for public relations must be implemented and is very important to avoid misuse.
- 10. I am against that. School grounds are for our students / kids in school.
- 11. I am against it. When you're a leader, it shows lack of leadership when you fail to respond to residents inquiries. Communication is always the best way to understanding. Why they allowed NCPD Traffic Division to target residential areas should be properly communicated to the people, ignoring the issue won't solve it.
- 12. This statement shows disrespect and no cooperation and confidence to the leadership. I believe that we should be working together not running each other. I don't like it.
- 13. This is a coward act and abuse of power. I am against it.
- 14. This was a very unfortunate incident. With the new Chief of Police working with the community, there should be no more incidents like this. I did not approve of the indiscretion.
- 15. I have read the proposition and let's go down to the logic. Public Safety is the issue that we, as residents and business-owners in National City are very much concerned of, in order to prevent crime and improve public safety in our community, we need resources to improve and upgrade our public safety facilities. There is a little downside, we are going to be assessed, but for a minimal amount in exchange of public safety and security, the upside is a win-win situation for the community thus less crime, businesses will come in and people will stay and re-invest into our city. Proposition S is cheaper than paying the services of a fire/ alarm company. I am in favor of Proposition S.
- 16. I will be against any proposition that will bring in gambling casino into our community. Hotels? we need for the people who are visitors/tourists who come to our military depots, etc. and we could sure use the hotel/tourist tax dollars for our city.

Again, thank you very much for this opportunity and should there be more questions, please call me @ (619) 474-5300. Please remember, Ditas Yamane will work for everyone not just a few.

Respectfully,

Ditas-Yamane for National City Council

-Tel: (619) 474-5300



City of Redlands Human Relations

March 2, 2005

Mr. Herman Baca 710 E. Third St. National City, CA 91950

Dear Mr. Baca:

The City of Redlands Human Relations Commissioners are co-sponsors of the Third Annual Cesar E. Chavez Breakfast celebration, to be held March 31, 2005, in the City of Redlands. The Commission would like take this opportunity to ask if you would be our keynote speaker for this year's celebration.

We have heard of your involvement with human rights, and your association with Cesar Chavez and his family, and would be honored to have your presence at this year's celebration.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Charles J. Hyman, M.D. (Retired), Co-Chairman

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March 17, 2005

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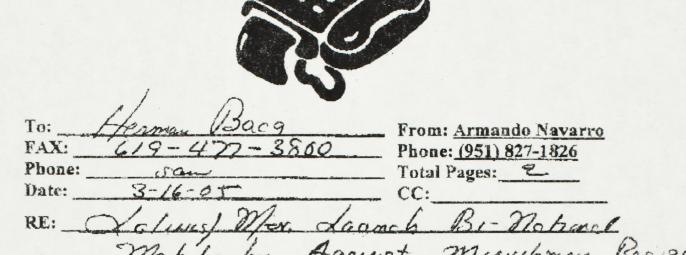
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PRESS ADVISORY

Mexicano and Latino organizations to Announce Countervailing Bi-National Action Strategy to "Minuteman Project" at Press Conference

March 16, 2005

Contact Persons: Armando Navarro, NAHR Coordinator, (951) 827-1826; Felipe Aguirre, California, State Chair, Partido de la Revolucion Democratica, (323) 560-1111; Christian Ramirez, American Friends Committee, (619) 233-4114.

This coming Friday, March 18, 2005 the National Alliance for Human Rights (NAHR), a network of individuals and organizations committed to the promotion of human rights, social justice, and political empowerment, will convoke a press conference at "noon" at La Placita Park, located at the corner of 7th Street and Mount Vernon Ave., San Bernardino. At the press conference to be attended by scores of Mexicano and Latino organizational and community leaders from throughout Southern California, a "Bi-National Action Strategy" will be announced and unveiled intended to counteract the domestic terrorist and militia driven Minuteman Project.

The Minuteman Project was conceived by Jim Gilchrist, a retired accountant from Orange County, in collaboration with several of Arizona's nativist oriented militias and rancher vigilantes who have been patrolling the Arizona/Mexico border since 2000. They propose to halt the influx of undocumented migrants into the United States during the month of April by gathering from all over the country nearly one-thousand volunteers who will patrol the U.S./Mexico border.

According to NAHR Coordinator, Armando Navarro, "The Bi-national Mobilization Action Strategy is the Mexicano/Latino response to the Minuteman Project. We intend to create in the ensuing weeks beginning on March 31 a countervailing mobilization both in the United States and Mexico that will demonstrate with action that as Mexicanos and Latinos we will not allow these domestic terrorists to intimidate, harass, injure, or violate the human rights of undocumented migrants."



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by Hector Carreon La Voz de Aztlan

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Committee on Chicano Rights(CCR) issues "ALERT" concerning the Minutemen border vigilantes

by Ernesto Cienfuegos La Voz de Aztlan

Los Angeles, Alta California - March 19, 2005 - (ACN) The President of the Committee on Chicano Rights (CCR), Herman Baca, has released an "ALERT" concerning the Minutemen vigilantes and their planned apprehension of "Mexicans/Chicanos in Arizona at the U.S./Mexico border". In a communique entitled, "Peligro! Warning! Call to Action!", Herman Baca, called the Minutemen "domestic terrorists" and expressed solidarity with UC Professor Armando Navarro of the National Alliance for Human Rights (NAHR), an organization that is spearheading efforts to assure the safety of Mexicans and Chicanos along the border.

The communique by CCR, headquartered in National City, Alta California, urges Chicanos to "immediately write and express solidarity and support to the NAHR, disseminate information to all contacts concerning the plans of the vigilantes urging political (or?) action, and exert political pressure on political representatives (U.S./Mexico) and established "Hispanic" national organizations who to date have been shamefully silent on this issue."

The communique includes a letter from Herman Baca to Dr. Armando Navarro that states, "You and the National Alliance for Human Rights (NAHR) have our organization's complete solidarity and support in your upcoming efforts to counter act, expose, confront and "pull the sheets off" the domestic terrorist vigilante Minuteman Project who plan to apprehend Mexicans or Chicanos in Arizona at the U.S./Mexico border."

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USA Hispanics along the border may become victims

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Billy the Kid - Typical "white bandido" that invaded Arizona after state was stolen from Mexico

Los Angeles, Alta California, March 8, 2005 - (ACN) The US side of the border in Arizona is not just inhabited by Anglos (whites). In fact the area along the Mexico/Arizona border, where the Minutemen vigilantes intend to operate against Mexican immigrants in the month of April, has families of Mexican descent that go back in history prior to when the territory was invaded by hordes of white savages from the east coast. Today, these same families are in fear that they will be victimized by new hordes of America's riff-raff that will congregate in Tombstone, Arizona on April Fools Day.

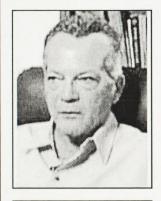
The first explorer to enter Arizona was Cabeza de Vaca in 1536 and he was followed by Franciscan Friar Marcos de Niza who reached the state in 1539. In fact it was Father Marcos de Niza who gave the state its name. Arizona is

derived from the Spanish phrase "zona arida" which translates into "arid zone". Friar Marcos de Niza was followed into Arizona by explorer Francisco Vasquez de Coronado. Coronado led an expedition from Mexico in 1540 in search of the seven legendary cities of gold, reaching as far as the Grand Canyon. Later Father Eusebio Kino, a Jesuit, founded the missions of Guevavi in 1692 and Tumacacori in 1696 near Nogales. Father San Xavier del Bac founded a mission in 1700 near Tucson. The Arizona region became Mexican territory following the Mexican war of independence from Spain in 1821. In the early 1800's, U.S. mountain men and "white bandidos" like Kit Carson and Billy the Kid and their ilk invaded the area Mexico lost Arizona during the Mexican-American War and the subsequent



Chris Simcox - New riffraff that has invaded Arizona

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Jim Gilchrist - Racist leader of the Minutemen vigilantes

Presently there is an ominous an malevolent dark storm gathering over Arizona that has the potential of spreading throughout the southwest. On April 1st a group of anti-Mexican racists and white supremacists from throughout the USA plan to meet in Tombstone, Arizona to stop what they call a "Mexican invasion" and "reconquista movement". Many of the white bigots which have been interviewed by the media have said that they will be carrying weapons. After their initial rally in Tombstone, they plan to deploy, for the entire month of April, along the US/Mexico border in the region to "hunt for Mexican immigrants". This is definitely a formula for disaster that could lead to an all out ethnic war between Mexicans and Anglos. It could mean the start of a new Mexican-American War between the United States and Mexico. All it would take is a crazy gringo terrorist to blow up and kill an American family of Mexican descent and admit that he did it on behalf of the Minutemen vigilantes.

After this all hell will break loose and will "unleash the rabid dogs of racial hatred".

Should the general American populace allow a few "nut cases" to threaten their peace and well being in their own homeland? Must we allow the likes



of Glenn Spencer, Chris Simcox and Jim Gilchrist to threaten the lives of our families? Make no mistake about it, what these racist vigilantes intend to do, judging from their past actions, has great potential to harm your loved

Glenn Spencer - Vile bigot of American Border Patrol

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Glenn Spencer burning a Mexican flag in front of the Mexican Embassy in D.C.

Mexicans and Mexican-Americans are generally a peace loving people. Our history, however, shows that we have great warrior legacies both on the Aztec and the Spanish sides. The US can not presently afford additional world enemies. The nation of Mexico presently provides a great "security buffer" for the USA southern flank. What would happen if the Minuteman vigilantes instigate the alienation of Mexico and the country allows the infiltration of the Mara Salvatruchas, Al-Queda and every South and Central American subversive group eager to attack the USA?

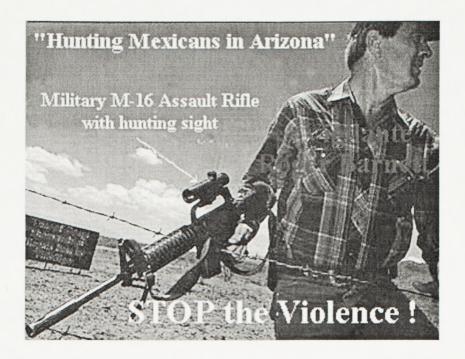
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There are signs that our youths are about ready to act out politically. One sign took place recently in Ceres, California when a decorated US Marine of Mexican descent decide to bring Fallujah back to his hometown. US Marine Andres Raya took on six police agencies with an assault rifle killing one police officer and critically injuring another. There is ample evidence that the act was politically motivated. Andres Raya told his friends that he did not believe in the Iraq War and the police released a picture showing Raya and his friends burning a US flag in the high school gym.

Today, we are seeing the increasing politicization of groups like the 18th Street gang and the Mara Salvatruchas. These two groups are increasingly acting more like insurgents than common street gangs. We hear talk that Mexican families are readying themselves for any attack from white vigilantes or rogue white racist cops. Also, there are rumors that the 18th Street gang and the Mara Salvatruchas are forming an alliance to battle their real common enemy. Most interesting of all, there are efforts among US Marines of Mexican descent to form a super secret battalion to respond to any attack of the Mexican-American community. Word is there is already such a battalion at Camp Pendleton where US Marine Andres Raya was assigned.

It would serve the interests of the general American population if US citizens put an immediate stop to the plans of groups like those of the paranoid Minutemen vigilantes. These people do not represent the large majority of sane and healthy Americans. The Minutemen are racists, bigots and xenophobes and are operating out of hate for Mexicans. They are endangering the peace and their actions will surely lead to consequences we will all eventually regret.





Mexican migrant worker believed lynched by Anglo vigilantes



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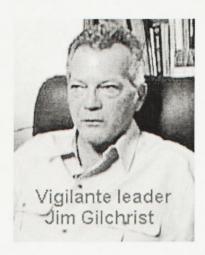
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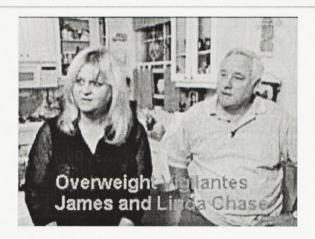
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Anti-Mexican vigilante Jim Gilchrist (James W. Gilchrist, Aliso Viejo, California) is the principal leader of the vile Minutemen. The vigilantes plan to hunt for undocumented Mexican migrant workers that will be crossing the US/Mexico border through the Arizona desert during the month of April. Gilchrist is working closely with a Chris Simcox of Tombstone, Arizona who was recently arrested for carrying a concealed weapon on federal park land. Also, both Gilchrist and Simcox are in cahoots with another convicted criminal and member of the Jewish Defense League Glenn Spencer. Glenn Spencer was also arrested recently and convicted for shooting up his neighborhood in Sierra Vista, Arizona. There have been a series of lynchings and shootings of Mexican undocumented workers resulting in death attributed to Anglo (white) border vigilantes. There is a gruesome photograph of one of these victims at http://www.aztlan.net/illegalian.gif



Linda and James Chase of Oceanside, California are typical of the overfed obese Americans that have answered the call of Jim Gilchrist. James Chase told the North County Times newspaper that he will be "packing" a loaded revolver.



These two unidentified old rednecks say they belong to the Minutemen "air force". The picture shows them in a garage in Arizona working on a flying crate they say will be used to hunt for Mexicans from the air.

A member of the Mara Salvatruchas



Winfred "El Chango" Escobar is also known as "El Chupacabra" due to his predilection to kill at night and for his lightening ferocity when attacking his victims.

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March 23, 2005

Congressman Bob Filner 333 "F" Street, Suite "A" Chula Vista, CA 91910 Re: Domestic Vigilantes and Terrorist.

Congressman Filner:

As a U.S./Mexico border congressman I am enclosing for your information correspondence that I forwarded to community organizations, individuals and the news media regarding plans by domestic terrorists, vigilante groups (Minuteman/Civil Homeland Defense) who have announced plans to apprehend Mexicans or Chicanos in Arizona at the U.S./Mexico border.

Facsimile: (619) 422-7290

Before these right-wing nuts,

- 1. Create an international incident with Mexico,
- 2. Disrupt commerce along the border,
- 3. Start a "race war," or,
- 4. Bring reciprocal violence upon themselves,

We urge and request that you immediately communicate with Democratic Senator Boxer and Senator Feinstein's office, and any other appropriate federal agencies/officials regarding what the federal governments plans are to stop these domestic racists, terrorist's vigilantes from carrying out their announced project.

Thank you in advance

Herman Baca, President

Cc. Community organizations, media

Mara Salvatruchas to take on the Minutemen vigilantes

by Ernesto Cienfuegos La Voz de Aztlan

Los Angeles, Alta California - March 1, 2005 - (ACN) It looks like there is going to be a "showdown at OK corral" on April 1st in Tombstone, Arizona. A high level leader of the Mara Salvatruchas, Ebner Anivel Rivera-Paz, has issued orders, from federal prison, to members of his extremely violent organization to teach the Minutemen vigilantes a lesson they will never forget, La Voz de Aztlan has learned.

The Mara Salvatruchas (MS-13) are a consequence of USA policies in Central America and are just another example of "the chickens coming home to roost". Its members are the sons of immigrants from El Salvador and other Central American countries that were forced to flee because of the CIA instigated war during the Reagan Administration that completely destroyed the physical, economic, social, religious and cultural infrastructure of the region. MS-13 was founded in Los Angeles by the offspring of the immigrants for protection. Later, many of the members were deported back to Central America where they expanded their operations and found fertile ground for the recruitment of new members among the hundreds of thousand of young people with no hope or future.

Today, the Mara Salvatruchas have grown immensely in numbers and their network has expanded through Mexico all the way to Canada. The extremely violent group controls large portions of the drug, stolen vehicle and immigrant smuggling operations along the US/Mexico border and will not put up with clowns like the Minutemen vigilantes. The amateurish Minutemen may be in for a big surprise on April Fools Day and on the subsequent days that they plan to patrol the border with Mexico in Arizona. The Mara Salvatruchas are known to cut the "testicles" of their enemies and feed them to their vicious dogs. Other times they have cut the heads off their opponents to play football soccer with them. These are not people to mess around with.

There is a good probability that very few cowardly Minutemen vigilantes will show up on April 1st in Tombstone, Arizona. The principal imbeciles organizing the event are known to be mere loudmouths. The morons think that they will be just having "some fun in the sun" hunting down defenseless Mexican migrant workers but instead may meet up with the devil himself. Satan has a very warped sense of humor and April 1st would be an excellent day to express it.

Some Minutemen Vigilantes Revealed (below)

The Minutemen are pretty much the same individuals that planned the Sierra Vista conference in 2000 and that resulted in a series of atrocities against Mexican immigrants. One of these characters is Glenn Spencer. Spencer moved from Los Angeles to the Sierra Vista area to be "where the action is". He had a long history of anti-Mexican actions in Los Angeles until the large Mexican community here made things very difficult for him. Glenn Spencer claims to be a member of the Jewish Defense League and says that his two sons-in-law, who are Jewish, are also members. Spencer hates Mexicans but is also very fearful of us. In early August of 2003, a bizarre incident occurred at his home in Sierra Vista that resulted in his arrest and conviction. On a Friday night in August of 2003 Spencer "cracked" and started firing wildly with his .357 magnum rifle. The shots tore through his neighbors' homes and terrorized families that lived in his neighborhood. An off duty sheriff's deputy heard the shots and responded. Glenn Spencer told the deputy that he fired several rounds from a lever-action .357 caliber rifle after hearing noises outside his home. He said, "the Mexicans" are out to get me". He explained to the arresting officers that he had received "death threats" through e-mail and that the American Border Patrol headquarters had been trashed. He was convicted for the shooting spree and had to move out of Sierra Vista after his neighbors complained.

Glenn Spencer works very closely with two other anti-Mexican vigilantes in Arizona. One is a Chris Simcox of Tombstone and the other is a Roger Barnett of the Douglas area. Chris Simcox is a coorganizer of the Minutemen vigilantes and is also, like Spencer, a transplant from Los Angeles. Simcox was arrested while armed and "hunting for Mexicans" on federal land in January of 2003. Roger Barnett is a rancher near Douglas who has boasted the he "will kill Mexicans" if he has to. His photographs carrying an assault rifle have been published in the national media. Barnett is presently facing a federal civil suit by 10 Mexican migrants whom he detained and beat up at gun point. Roger Barnett has been a speaker at anti-Mexican rallies in Los Angeles organized by Glenn Spencer when Spencer lived here. In addition, Glenn Spencer, Chris Simcox and Roger Barnett have very close ties to Ranch Rescue, another vigilante group. In September of 2004, convicted felon Casey James Nethercott of Ranch Rescue was arrested by FBI agents in Douglas in connection with a tense confrontation with Border Patrol agents. Kalen Riddle of Aberdeen, Washington, a member of the vigilantes, was shot and seriously injured during the arrest, which took place in a Safeway shopping center on the west side of Douglas. In another incident involving Ranch Rescue, its leader took shots at the Mexican military across the border. "Two in the chest and one in the head," warned Jack Foote, head of Ranch Rescue. He said his group was protecting the rights of property owners.

The leadership and some of the members of the Minutemen vigilantes have a criminal and violent past and it is almost certain that a violent confrontation will take place along the Mexico/USA border this coming month of April. Most likely, many of the naive and well-intentioned members of the Minutemen will become victims including Simcox's patsy Jim Gilchrist. The dangers for these unwanted vigilantes in Arizona are many. One of these dangers was expressed best by the mayor of Douglas, Ray Borane, yesterday when he said, ". . . Gilchrist needs to understand that this isn't a game when he says he's coming down here and showing his patriotism. He's on the verge of creating an international incident." Ray Borane said that Mexican media reports sounding the alarm about "immigrant hunters" have stirred resentment across the border in Agua Prieta. "I'm worried that people could come down to the fence and rock those people, or even shoot them," said Mayor Ray Borane. He also cited reports on the Internet that a leader of the Mara Salvatrucha has issued instructions from jail to "teach a lesson" to the Americans.

In addition, a large group of Latino organizations under the umbrella of the National Alliance for Human Rights led by UC Professor Armando Navarro is mobilizing to challenge the Minutemen vigilantes at the border. Armando Navarro is planning a series of actions that have not yet been disclosed but sources say it will include forming a human chain across the border and demonstrating in front of the home of patsy Jim Gilchrist in Aliso Viejo, California. The protest at Gilchrist's home will

be led by Felipe Aguirre, legal coordinator of Comite Pro Uno, a Los Angeles-area based migrant advocacy group. Also, other groups and the Mexican media will be present to photograph, videotape and document the actions of the vigilantes. The individual vigilantes will be photographed and their pictures published in the international media as "ugly Americans". This is not all, the Mexican government will be there in force to document any human rights abuses by the vigilantes. They plan to charge any "crazies" in the US federal courts and in international tribunals.

There is one glimmer of hope concerning the mess that the vigilantes are creating at the border. This hope arises from the meeting that President Vicente Fox of Mexico will be having with President George Bush in Waco, Texas next week. George Bush needs to clamp down hard on the vigilantes before they create an international incident endangering the overall security of the United States. There is much that this country owes to Mexico and to Mexicans on both sides of the border. Land is not cheap and especially the value of the US southwest (Aztlan). Should we not start thinking of how the theft of Aztlan can be compensated for?

Please Note:

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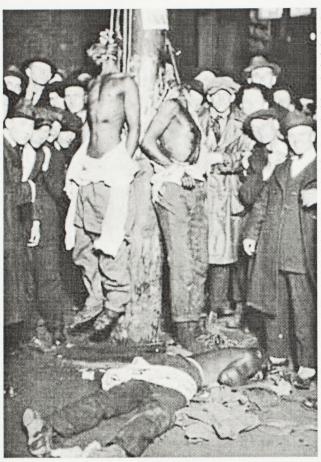
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Condoleezza: "My country will not tolerate illegal actions by the Minutemen vigilantes"

by Miroslava Flores La Voz de Aztlan

Tenochtitlan, Mexico D.F. - March 11, 2005 - (ACN) The Secretary of State of the USA Condoleezza Rice said, "My country will not tolerate illegal actions by the Minutemen vigilantes" yesterday at a press conference here in Mexico City. The press conference took place at the Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores (SRE) after her meeting with Mexico's Foreign Secretary Luis Ernesto Derbez. Rice assured that her government "will not pardon any extra-legal actions by border vigilantes nor do we support the activities of these groups". She added, "Even though we can not interfere with these activities, you can rest assured that if they violate the law, they will be held accountable".



Condoleezza Rice's strong statements against the Minutemen vigilantes may be a reflection of the lynchings her own people suffered at the hands of white vigilantes in the "Old South". Black slaves in southern plantations were routinely "tarred and feathered", lynched, hung on poplar trees and then burned by white racists. These atrocities continued after the "Emancipation Proclamation" and cases resurface from time to time even today. Condoleezza Rice in fact can trace descendants in her family tree that were victims of white vigilantes. The lynching of Condoleezza Rice's ancestors were immortalized by a haunting song sung by Billie Holiday titled "Strange Fruit". La Voz de Aztlan is making the photograph that inspired Lewis Allen to write the song and the song itself sung by Holiday at http://www.aztlan.net/strange_fruit.htm

Historically, Mexicans and especially Mexican migrant workers have been the victims of lynchings by white racists as well. As the USA agricultural and other sectors have become increasingly dependent on Mexican labor, Mexican immigration has increased to meet the demand. These workers usually have to settle in communities that do not

welcome them. Mexicans are at times segregated, victimized, and resented by the surrounding white population. This maltreatment may eventually escalate into racial oppression comparable to that of the Blacks in the Jim Crow south.

The racial hierarchy in certain parts of the US leaves Mexicans with little support from the law. Officials and policy makers serving the courts and police departments in certain isolated regions are usually the same white supremacists who want Mexicans removed. A perfect example of this is what is occurring in Ceres, California today. The white police chief and police department are presently cracking down on "El Campo" part of the town. "El Campo" is were Mexican agricultural workers reside. Historically it has been the infamous Texas Rangers who have been the most brutal. In the name of justice they executed thousands of Mexican migrant workers without any repercussions. The Texas Rangers would routinely arrest Mexicans on false charges and promptly lynch and leave the bodies hanging for days in front of the courthouse. In the period from 1848 to 1870 official records

indicate that 473 out of every 100,000 Mexican migrant workers died as victims of lynching.

The situation today, thank God, has changed quite a lot from the time when Jim Crow laws ruled the south and the Texas Rangers roamed the Texas badlands looking for victims. The Minutemen vigilantes will not get away with what their predecessors did in the old times. There are just too many Mexicans now in all levels of US society. In fact, the present US Attorney General is a son of Mexican immigrants and he would throw the book on the face of any anti-Mexican vigilante that breaks the law. On top of this, the vigilantes would face prosecution by the Mexican government in US courts and in international tribunals. In addition, there will be a large numbers of monitors from US based human rights groups who will be documenting abuses in order to sue for monetary damages on behalf of any Mexican victims as is presently being done to the vigilante Roger Barnett in the Federal Court in Tucson. My advise to any naive vigilante that plans to travel to Tombstone, Arizona on April Fools Day is "STAY HOME!!!".



Mexican migrant worker believed lynched by Anglo vigilantes



Mexico/USA border tensions at an all time high

by Hector Carreon La Voz de Aztlan

Los Angeles, Alta California - March 18, 2005 - (ACN) Tensions along the Mexico/USA border in Arizona are at an all time high and increasing as April 1st, the day the Minutemen vigilantes are to commence their operations against Mexican immigrants, approaches. Not since the Mexican-American War or the General Francisco Villa's raid on Columbus, New Mexico in 1916 have US/Mexico relations been so grave. Currently, the Minutemen vigilantes, a ragtag group of Americans, plan to congregate in Tombstone, Arizona on April Fools Day for a month long operation to patrol the border, and this can have serious implications on USA security concerns regarding its southern border.

There is no question that the USA needs Mexico to help secure its southern border against the infiltration of dangerous terrorists bent on destroying Washington D.C. and/or New York City with nuclear or biological weapons. The redneck border vigilantes are not helping one iota in this matter but instead are being counterproductive by going after defenseless Mexican migrant workers that pose absolutely no security threat to the USA. It is a known fact that many of the immigrants that cross the border are from Indigenous tribes in Mexico. These migrations have been occurring since prior to the Europeans arriving on the continent. In fact, present day Mexico City (Tenochtitlan) was founded when the Mexicas (Aztecs) migrated south from Aztlan which was located north of the present Mexico/USA border line. The ignorant vigilantes most probably do not have the education to know this fact and are acting out of their deep-seated ethnocentrism, xenophobia and bigotry.

The Minutemen and its leadership have proven themselves to be nothing less than a gang of anti-Mexican racists and their actions have the potential of alienating Mexico, its government and the millions of Americans of Mexican descent on this side of the border. This gang hopefully will meet up with the Maras Salvatruchas as has been reported on the Internet during the past few days. We ask, does the USA need more world enemies, especially a neighbor next door? Is it not true that the leaders of Venezuela, Cuba and other South American countries would like nothing less than a friendlier and more cooperative Mexico? Should peace loving Americans allow riffraff like the Minutemen vigilantes to dictate its foreign policy towards Mexico, Central and South America?

Also, there is no question that within the ranks of the Minutemen are good well-intentioned but naive Americans under the spell and lies of its leadership. On the other hand there are extremely violent and criminal elements as well. In a May 2000 conference in Sierra Vista, Arizona organized by these same characters under the pretext of having some "Fun in the Sun" and which was attended by extremists from across the USA, a proposal was made in the open by some of the participants. The proposal was to place military land mines at strategic places along the border pathways in the desert used by Mexican immigrants. In the days prior, during and after the Sierra Vista "Fun in the Sun" conference, many ambushes of Mexican immigrants took place in the area. One notorious incident took place on Friday May 12th near the border with Sasabe, Sonora, Mexico. In this incident, one of many, two Anglo vigilantes on horseback and armed with high power hunting rifles shot and critically wounded an undocumented Mexican worker attempting to cross the border. Twenty year old Miguel Angel Palofox Aguerrin of Guasave, Sinaloa and four companions were ambushed by, what is believe to be, two attendees of the Sierra Vista conference. Many observers believe that the same thing will occur, with far more dire consequences, during the month long April vigilantism planned by the nefarious Minutemen.



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Congressman Bob Filner 333 "F" Street, Suite "A" Chula Vista, CA 91910 Re: Patriot Act.

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While we still have the right, we want as we have in the past to reiterate and request that you communicate to both California Senator Feinstein and Boxer our position of,

• Unequivocally opposing the so called Patriot Act presently before the U.S. Senate. The so-called Patriot Act is (in our opinion) over reach, over kill and undemocratic assault and attack on basic rights guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution.

Certain critical provisions in the law, which are set to expire (and should be allowed) at the end of the year include,

- 1. The government entering a suspect's home or residence secretly and search for evidence without immediately telling the person they have been there and,
- 2. "Roving" wiretaps and its demands for library records and other materials in intelligence investigations.

In closing, fighting "terrorism" should not be at the price of destroying long held rights guaranteed under the U.S Constitution, or creating a police state.

Thank you in advance

Herman Baca, President

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Justice Dept. Defends Patriot Act Before Senate Hearings

By ERIC LICHTBLAU

Published: April 5, 2005

ASHINGTON, April 4 - On the eve of Senate hearings on the government's power to fight terrorism, the Justice Department on Monday defended the law passed after the Sept. 11 attacks as "an invaluable tool" and released new data showing increased use of a particularly controversial type of search warrant.

But critics of the law, the USA
Patriot Act, strongly urged
Congress to give it careful
scrutiny before extending the
government's powers to track
terrorism suspects. Several
critical provisions in the law are
set to expire at the end of the
year, and on Tuesday the Senate
Judiciary Committee will hold the
first in a series of Congressional
hearings on the question of
whether to extend the law.

In advance of the hearing, Justice Department officials sought to strengthen support for the law in

the face of criticism from some conservatives and many liberals who say it gives the government too much power to track suspects and use wiretaps.

The data released by the Justice Department late Monday centered on its use of Section 213 of the law, which allows federal agents, with a court order, to enter a suspect's home or residence secretly and search for evidence without immediately telling the person they have been there. The provision is among those set to expire at the end of 2005.

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The new data showed that the Justice Department used the secret warrants 108 times from April 2003 to January 2005, for an average of almost five warrants per month. That represented a sharp increase from the last reported tally from October 2001 to April 2003, when 47 warrants were issued, for an average of fewer than three per month.

Justice Department officials said they resorted to using the secret warrants in less than 0.2 percent of all search warrants granted to law enforcement officials. The secret warrants were used in a wide spectrum of cases beyond terrorism, including child pornography, drug trafficking and organized crime, the officials said.

In explaining the increased frequency, a Justice Department official who spoke on the condition of anonymity because of political considerations said, "It's the criminals who set the pace for how often these warrants are used, not us."

The law allows the Justice Department to delay notifying a suspect that a property has been searched if a judge agrees that there is reasonable cause to believe that disclosure would endanger someone's safety, prompt a suspect to flee, lead to the destruction of evidence or jeopardize an investigation.

But the American Civil Liberties Union and other critics of the provision - which they refer to as the "sneak and peek" law - say it risks an abuse of power and should be curtailed. They point to the Justice Department's use of the warrant last year in secretly searching the home of Brandon Mayfield, a Muslim lawyer in Oregon who was mistakenly arrested in connection with the Madrid train bombings because of a faulty fingerprint match.

Anthony D. Romero, executive director of the A.C.L.U., told reporters on Monday that his organization plans to press for reconsideration and refinement of the search warrant power and five other provisions in the antiterrorism law, including the government's use of "roving" wiretaps and its demands for library records and other materials in intelligence investigations.

Pointing to significant support for recent Congressional efforts to scale back parts of the law, Mr. Romero predicted that moderate Republicans as well as many Democrats would have reservations about extending the current law. Congress will be considering the issue, he said, in "a very different political climate" than existed in 2001, when it approved the antiterrorism measure some six weeks after the Sept. 11 attacks.

More than 375 governmental bodies, including five states, have expressed formal concerns and objections to the government's expanded authority under the law.

Last month, groups of liberal civil rights activists, conservative libertarians, advocates of medical privacy, supporters of gun rights and others formed an unusual coalition to urge close scrutiny of several provisions in the law that they said need to be scaled back.

And on Monday, a separate coalition of more than three dozen groups, including immigration rights advocates and Muslim groups, sent a letter to Congress arguing that the government's expanded powers to fight terrorism "reflect a steady assault on

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fundamental liberties that has served only to make us less free, and not more secure."

Justice Department officials, however, are preparing a vigorous defense in pursuing one of the White House's top legislative priorities this year. The department is expected to send its two most prominent figures - Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales and Robert S. Mueller III, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation - to the Judiciary Committee hearing on Tuesday to solidify support.

"For more than three years," the Justice Department said in a statement on Monday that amounted to a preview of its testimony, "the USA Patriot Act has served as an invaluable tool for law enforcement and intelligence communities in the war on terror."

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Congressman Bob Filner
333 "F" Street, Suite "A"
Chula Vista, CA 91910
Re: 2nd Notice, Domestic Vigilantes and Terrorist.

Congressman Filner:

Business is business, regarding the enclosed correspondences, which I forwarded to your office on March 23, 2005. I am assuming that your staff, (for whatever reasons) did not forward you the enclosed because it is unlike you not to respond. I am re-faxing (once again) the enclosed, because numerous individuals have inquired what your response was on this matter that is obviously of great concern to our community. I would appreciate if you could review the enclosed correspondence and forward us your position.

Thank you in advance

Herman Baca, President

Cc. Community organizations, media



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March 23, 2005

Congressman Bob Filner 333 "F" Street, Suite "A" Chula Vista, CA 91910 Re: Domestic Vigilantes and Terrorist.

Congressman Filner:

As a U.S./Mexico border congressman I am enclosing for your information correspondence that I forwarded to community organizations, individuals and the news media regarding plans by domestic terrorists, vigilante groups (Minuteman/Civil Homeland Defense) who have announced plans to apprehend Mexicans or Chicanos in Arizona at the U.S./Mexico border.

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Before these right-wing nuts,

- 1. Create an international incident with Mexico,
- 2. Disrupt commerce along the border,
- 3. Start a "race war," or,
- 4. Bring reciprocal violence upon themselves,

We urge and request that you immediately communicate with Democratic Senator Boxer and Senator Feinstein's office, and any other appropriate federal agencies/officials regarding what the federal governments plans are to stop these domestic racists, terrorist's vigilantes from carrying out their announced project.

Thank you in advance

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Dear Herman:

I appreciate your letter on the so-called "Minutemen"—and completely agree with your analysis!

I have been working with our Senators and Justice Department to make sure no vigilante action occurs.

Thank you for your continued strong defense of civil and human rights in our country!

Sincerely,

BOB FILNER Member of Congress

BF/nem 2192151

Subj:

Attack or be attacked!

Date:

4/7/2005 11:26:29 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time

From: To:

AztecBaca Julesan

4-07-05

PERSONAL-PRIVATE- FOR YOUR EYES ONLY!

M.A.

How you doing? Regarding the attacks by Dumanis and the "good old boy/girl" establishment. "Ne te dejes," in politics the best defense is a good offense! Make no mistake the mayor, city manager and the "good old boy/girl" establishment are trying not only to hamstring your investigation into corruption at city hall, but their real political intent is to drive a political silver stake into your political heart. You must be doing something right, when they have to drag up the likes of Sheriff Bill Kolender, Chief of Police William Lansdowne and Public Defender (?) Steve Carrrol! I am also certain that in the near future they will dig other establishment types to try to cut your political legs off. Word of caution keep your eye on the SD Union. Lots of luck keep on swinging, HB

Thursday, April 07, 2005 America Online: AztecBaca

Subj:

Susie Lopez

Date:

7/12/2005 9:09:46 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time

From:

acu518@earthlink.net Reply-to: racuna@csun.edu

Rough Draft

The Death of Susie Lopez

Rodolfo F. Acuna

The shooting of 19-month-old toddler Susie Lopez and her father Raul Pena raise some serious questions about Police-Latino relations in this city. I can understand why our politicos are asking for patience. No one wants a rebellion on their hands.

But, this is not the first incident that has happened in the last month, year or ten years. Remember Ramparts?

What is disturbing is the news media's spin. Pena is portrayed as a "gunman"; he owned a car lot. He was using his daughter as a shield; all accounts say that he loved his daughter and had photos of her through the car lot.

The media also makes the point that officers were trying to "rescue" Susie by storming the car dealership where the father was holding her "hostage." One source writes, "the office was peppered with more than 60 bullet holes."

A pretext is that the officers responded because they were engaged in a "harrowing" gun battle. How harrowing could the gun battle have been with Pena holding a child in one arm and shooting with the other? By all accounts they were shot in the business' cramped office. Susie was found lying on the floor, shot in the head.

The Los Angeles Times admits that the police have not been able to answer when Susie was killed or who fired the shot. No, 60 or more shots were fired.

Police Chief William J. Bratton has insisted that the officers had no choice. However, isn't this what police always say? They say he was threatening to kill the child. But, Susie's family disputes this version.

Where the officers intended Susie to die is not the issue. The police were not doing their job, and at the very least the situation could have been handled differently.

I am certain that the SWAT officers feel bad about killing Susie, but so are drunk drivers sorry after they kill someone. No one ever goes into a situation with the intent to kill. But, it happens when we develop a culture of violence and we have a "they can't hide" mentality. The answer is always take the preemptive strike.

The SWAT officers day that this is the first time that a hostage has died in an LAPD standoff. First, it is alleged not proven that a hostage situation existed. Second, this is not the first time that someone has died at the hands of the LAPD.

Personally, I probably would not have liked Pena; he served in the Salvadoran military in that country's military during its civil war. However, he is not the issue.

The history of police violence is the issue. Whether Susie would be alive today if other tactics had been used? And whether the time has come for a citizens' review of probable police malfeasance. At least a dozen officers fired away with more than two dozen officers involved in the death of Susie Lopez.

It is not popular to raise these questions. Everyone sees terrorist running around and they expect Rambo to save them. However, the result of this lack of a rational response makes certain that more Susie Lopezes will lie dead with an "unintended" bullet in their head. It is easy to say "I'm sorry."

Subj: Re: Susie Lopez-response

Date: 7/12/2005 10:18:19 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time

From: AztecBaca

To: racuna@csun.edu

R.A.

Amen! Remember, not only rampart but also the murder of Ruben Salazar and the Sanchez brothers back in the 70's. Question, is what is the "His-Panic" Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa going to do?????? Herman Baca

THE POPE AND CATHOLIC CHURCH USA ARE DYING

The Pope has ruled the Catholic Church, its personnel and operations for the last 26 years, a quarter century. He made history as the first Polish Pope and for his command of several languages. Now, he is 84 years old and very ill. He can't speak due to the last surgery and he won't be giving public blessings or doing prayer readings anytime soon. For the past few years he has had trouble holding his head up and even walking unassisted. The Pope is dying. His supporters maintain it is important he continue until death because resignation would hamper a new pope. There would be those loyal to the resigned Pope and those loyal to the new Pope.

This concern about the health of the Pope is genuine among Catholics and other Christians, but what of the health of the Catholic Church? With an ailing and frail Pope who can't speak and get around, who is in charge of the church, especially in the United States and the rest of Latin America? And, the church as an institution is in grave trouble because of recent scandals of sex abuse.

Poor people in the Americas, especially Latinos, are the most faithful to the Catholic Church. Latinos are the majority of Catholics in the Americas, including the United States. Here in Dallas, for example, some 12,000 Latinos attend Mass every weekend at the Santuario de la Virgen de Guadalupe, the cathedral downtown. In all of North Texas, as across the country, the Masses celebrated in Spanish are packed and the collection plates full. These Dallas Catholics like other Latinos give their hard earned money every Sunday at Mass during the collections. I know. I was an alter boy in my hometown church, Sacred Heart, and have been a practicing Catholic for decades. Recently, I stopped attending and stop giving my money to the church.

The working Latinos and poor have little money to spare and no work benefits or health insurance, but the priest do. The poor support the priests and nuns with their

money donations every weekend. The priest and nuns live in comfortable houses with a guaranteed income plus work benefits, health insurance and retirement plans. In spite of all these benefits and comfortable lifestyles, the priests in the US have betrayed their faithful with their sex scandals. I am sure that other priests in other countries of Latin America are just as perverse as some here.

Under severe pressure to end the scandals, the Catholic Church in *Report on the Implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People* (2004), admitted that 1,092 allegations of sexual abuse were reported in 2003 against 756 priests and deacons. The church had to remove 283 priests and another 42 accused priests are still on the job in the US. In 2003, the church paid \$178 million dollars to settle and quiet these claims. That money is local, poor people's money, not priest's money or that of the Pope and those in the Vatican. Those living in the Vatican live more comfortably with better benefits than local priests.

Since 1950, the total payout to the 11,750 victim's of sexual abuse at the hands of 5,148 priests in the US is more than \$840 million dollars of local, poor people's money, including some of mine. Remember, this sum is for reported and prosecuted cases of sexual abuse, but what of the thousands more of unreported and unprosecuted cases? Latino victims are among the most reluctant to come forward and make an accusation. Not only are male children the victims of sexual abuse, but also adults, including young women, sexually abused by priests and nuns. In Latin America, including Mexico and the US, local priests often are in relationship with female parishioners. A priest is seen today as a potential sexual predator, not a spiritual or moral leader. Being a priest used to be viewed by parishioners as a position of trust and holiness, now it is bankrupt of such values.

Young Latinos and others do not want to become priests anymore. According to the CARA report, in 1965, for example, there were 58,632 priests in the US

serving 45.6 million Catholics. In 2004, there were only 43, 304 priests serving 64.3 million Catholics. There are 3,157 out of 19,026 parishes without a resident priest in 2004.

While students in Catholic schools are growing in number, approximately 2.4 million, the Catholic Church is closing schools for lack of money. Cardinal Francis George of Chicago recently ordered the closing of 23 Catholic elementary schools in his area. Latino and African American students attend these schools, predominantly. Three dioceses in other parts of the country have run out of money to operate and declared bankruptcy. The Catholic Church leaders have decided to cut services and instead pay lawyers and victims of sexual abuse. If this continues, the Pope and the Catholic Church USA will die.

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Subject: Re: CCR Herman Baca Documentary

Dear Mr. Baca,

The project you propose sounds interesting. It would certainly be an honor to work on a documentary for the CCR. Your father is one of my heros.;-)

I'm currently in Texas attending the NALAC leadership institute. I will return to San Diego on Monday, July 18th.

Also, please re-send the attachment you mentioned, as I don't think it came through.

Kind Regards,

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Research & Books

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White Hat, Black Tales

A Texas scholar digs into the dark truths about the role of the Texas Rangers in early-20th-century border wars

By KATHERINE S. MANGAN

Whether he gallops across TV screens on a steed named Silver or kickboxes drug dealers and other contemporary miscreants, the Texas Ranger is an iconic figure in American culture. But it has fallen to a Texas-based scholar named Benjamin H. Johnson, a 33-year-old assistant professor of history at Southern Methodist University, to help turn the popular images of the Lone Ranger and of Walker, Texas Ranger, upside down.

Mr. Johnson's 2003 book, *Revolution in Texas: How a Forgotten Rebellion and Its Bloody Suppression Turned Mexicans Into Americans* (Yale University Press), portrays the Texas Rangers as bad guys who terrorized and murdered hundreds -- and perhaps thousands -- of Mexican-born Texans living along the border nearly a century ago.

The book -- and a 2004 documentary based on an incident in the same period -- has now led a Texas lawmaker to introduce legislation this year honoring the Tejano rebels who died at the hands of the Rangers and vigilante groups in the failed uprising in 1915.

"Ben's book was a confirmation of what we've been talking about around barbecue pits and campfires for years," says Texas Sen. Aaron Peña, a Democrat from the border city of Edinburgh, Tex., who ordered a stack of the books and has handed them out to his colleagues and constituents.

Specifically, the author examines a 1915 rebellion in South Texas called the Plan de San Diego, in which Tejanos, or Texans of Mexican descent, sought to forcibly reclaim the American Southwest for Mexico in a plot that included killing all Anglo males over age 16. The unsuccessful uprising, which included a series of raids on ranches and railroads, provoked a bloody counterinsurgency in which Texas Rangers, federal soldiers, and vigilante groups indiscriminately killed anywhere between 300 and 3,000 Tejanos, depending on whose estimates you believe.

Hispanic scholars have written about the bloody border wars for decades, but it has taken a work written by a young Anglo historian writing for Yale University Press to bring the matter to mainstream audiences. Mr. Johnson has given standing-room-only talks in South Texas, and received dozens of calls and e-mail messages from Mexican-Americans who say his book confirmed accounts they had heard from their parents and grandparents, but never read about in their textbooks.

Mr. Johnson says he did not set out to write a book about, much less trash, the image of the Texas Rangers, now an elite unit of 118 officers, along with nearly two-dozen crime analysts and other personnel, in the Texas Department of Public Safety. He was more interested in the effect that the violence that started in 1915 had on race relations along the border and on the development of a Mexican-American identity. But in a state whose unofficial motto is "Don't Mess With Texas," the book stirred up conflicting emotions.

On the Paper Trail

Mr. Johnson's fascination with this era of Texas history began when he was in the library at Yale University, trying to zero in on a topic for his doctoral dissertation that related to his interest in border studies.

"I came across a mention of the rebellion and bloodshed, and it seemed really big," he says. "The language people were using was terribly similar to what I was hearing when I turned on the news and listened to reports about ethnic cleansing -- at that point in the Balkans. They were using words like 'evaporated'" to describe the widespread killings of Tejanos.

"I thought 'why am I -- a 24-year-old lifelong Texan and historian -- just hearing about this?"

As he proceeded with his research, Mr. Johnson found that while he and many Texans -- Anglos in particular -- were learning about the Rangers' unsavory past for the first time, Hispanic authors had written about such abuses for years. In 1958, for instance, Américo Paredes, the noted Mexican-American author who taught at the University of Texas at Austin and died in 1999, wrote about the border's violent history in his book *With His Pistol in His Hand: A Border Ballad and Its Hero* (University of Texas Press).

Mr. Johnson credits those authors, as well as contemporary historians who write about the border, and he is careful not to imply that he is the first historian to turn the image of the Texas Ranger on its head. Asked about the publicity his book has received, and the flurry of attention now being paid to racial tensions along the border, he says the huge growth in the nation's Hispanic population and the interest in immigration and globalization have made border studies a hot topic.

For his own book, Mr. Johnson tracked down documents in Texas and Mexico City. The Mexican National Archives are housed in a former federal prison, which created a haunting setting for many long hours of reading. "They actually have the documents in the old prison cells, and the guy gets a ring of thick keys and walks to the cells and opens them," he says. "There's still graffiti in this place from people who were there under considerably less happy circumstances."

He also listened to oral histories recorded over the past few decades by students at the University of Texas-Pan American and Texas A&M University at Kingsville.

Chance encounters led to visits with the grandson of the sheriff who arrested a Tejano carrying a document outlining the Plan de San Diego, as well as the great-grandson of one of the leaders of the 1915 uprising, Luis de la Rosa.

As the true history of the bloody border wars unfolded, the scholar also formed theories about why it had been largely forgotten. For one thing, Mr. Johnson contends, the State of Texas actively suppressed information about the violence. In 1919 the state legislature held hearings that revealed evidence of widespread killings by Texas Rangers, but lawmakers voted not to publish the transcript. (A copy was later unearthed by historians.)

Families that were traumatized by the violence didn't want to talk about it. And until recently, academic historians generally regarded what happened along the Texas-Mexico border a regional matter of little interest to the rest of the nation.

But Mr. Johnson believes the episode reverberated far beyond the disputed border. He argues that the rebellion and suppression that began in 1915, rather than turning Tejanos against Americans, prompted them to claim their rights as U.S. citizens and led to the creation, in 1929, of the League of United Latin American Citizens, or Lulac, the first nationwide Mexican-American civil-rights organization.

At first, that idea seemed counterintuitive. "Why would a prolonged episode of savage racial violence prompt people to claim the same nationality as their victimizers?" He concludes that the Tejanos sought refuge in U.S. citizenship, having realized the futility of trying to achieve their goals through force, and the dangers of being without a state.

"Mexican nationalism and the promise of the revolution had failed them," Mr. Johnson says. "The uprising had been a disastrous miscalculation, and the Mexican government wasn't interested in advancing the well-being of Mexican-descent people of Texas."

Praise and Disdain

Hector M. Flores, Lulac's current national president, agrees with that conclusion. "Dr. Johnson chronicles a period in history that a lot of Texans are still in denial about," he says. "A war was won, and the Mexicans were the conquered people. The hired guns were the Texas Rangers."

Raised by his grandparents in the tiny South Texas town of Dilly, Mr. Flores recalls challenging his seventh-grade history teacher for her portrayal of events that his grandparents described differently. "All the teachers talked about were the murdering, thieving Mexicans who overran the heroes of the Alamo." His grandparents, on the other hand, warned him that the real bad guys were the Anglo law-enforcement officers who harassed and even killed Tejanos like themselves.

"Books like Ben's shatter the myths and help us realize how much we've traveled in the last 100 years," Mr. Flores says. "It's better to know the truth, even if it makes you uncomfortable."

Revolution in Texas is unlikely to be a featured title at the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum, in Waco, Tex. The museum's Web site describes the Rangers as "one of the most cherished symbols of the Lone Star State, a positive and enduring icon of Texas and America."

Byron A. Johnson, director of the museum, acknowledges that some of the Texas Rangers participated in the killings nearly a century ago, but says *Revolution in Texas* overstates their involvement by failing to adequately distinguish between the official Texas Rangers and independent vigilante groups that sprang up around the same time. "For a while, anyone riding around with a horse and a gun was considered a Ranger," he says.

"There were outstanding periods of [the Rangers'] history and those that were regrettable," the museum director adds. "We want to be sure that the history is accurate so lessons can be learned from the mistakes."

Mr. Johnson is not alone in making Texans feel uncomfortable about their past these days. Last year, shortly after Mr. Johnson's book was published, the Dallas filmmaker Kirby F.

Warnock released a documentary called *Border Bandits*, which told the story of two unarmed Tejano landowners who were shot in the back by Texas Rangers in 1915. The event, which was supposedly a retaliation for an earlier Mexican bandit raid, had been related to Mr. Warnock by his grandfather, a cowboy who witnessed the killings.

While some Texans complained that these depictions unfairly malign the Rangers, others are angry that such abuses have been covered up for so long. "People find it particularly relevant that an arm of the state was centrally implicated in the violence, and that they continue to be so celebrated," says Mr. Johnson.

Healing the Border

Texans also worry that calling attention to the historical racial strife along the border could deepen divisions between Hispanics and Anglos in the state today. Newspapers have carried angry letters to the editor from readers like Ramon Estrada, a retired electrical engineer who grew up in El Paso and now lives outside of Denver, Colo. He says he is bitter about the way his ancestors were treated and sometimes questions whether he was right to serve the United States in the Vietnam War.

In an interview, Mr. Estrada says that he read about Mr. Johnson's book in *The Denver Post*, and it brought back memories of stories his now-83-year-old mother told him when he was growing up. "She used to tell us how her father and his friend were killed by Texas Rangers in 1915 for no other reason than being of Mexican descent," said Mr. Estrada. "My cousins and I grew up hating the Rangers, and it used to really bother us when we'd see these TV shows where they were always the good guys."

Even those intent on commemorating the past are moving carefully in doing so.

Mr. Peña, the state senator, talked to both Mr. Johnson and Mr. Warnock at a screening of the documentary in South Texas last year. Afterward, he decided to introduce some sort of commemorative legislation. But he quickly concluded that his initial ideas -- naming a highway or erecting a monument for the victims, or requiring Texas educators to revise their history books -- would prove too divisive.

"The powerful establishment interests need to keep certain mythologies about Texas pure and clean," he says. "They don't want to hear about abuses by the Texas Rangers."

Instead, he settled on proposing that May 5 -- Cinco de Mayo -- also be designated as a day to reflect on the history and culture of the Tejanos. He plans to resurrect that bill, which died at the end of the session in May, next year and pursue private financing for a monument. "We need to do this slowly and carefully, and with sensitivity to everyone involved," the senator says.

Aside from setting the record straight about a little-understood period of history, Mr. Johnson hopes his book will show that America "is flexible enough to offer people like [Mr. Estrada] the benefits of first-class citizenship. That's what the founders of Lulac concluded, and I think that the remarkable advances of Mexican-Americans in the last 70 years are testimony to the power of their vision."

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Dear Herman,

Thank you so much for supporting my efforts in raising money for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. <u>Team Pita</u> is very grateful for your generosity in providing tickets and flyers for our fundraiser dinners and activities.

Because of the help of everybody working together, our team of 10 walkers will be able to participate in the 3-Day walk-a-thon on October 14 - 16. We really appreciate you being apart of this enormous fundraising endeavor.

Sincerely,

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RE: FOR YOUR INFORMATION

I am forwarding you this email I received, for your information

----- Original Message -----

Subject: Press Conference 2pm Today Balboa Park: Armed Secret Police

Hired To Patrol Open Community Meeting

Date:Sun, 6 Nov 2005 13:20:17 EST

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MEDIA ADVISORY

November 6, 2005 Contact: Sandra Sarmiento, 714.417.0073

WHAT: PRESS CONFERENCE

WHERE: CENTRO CULTURAL DE LA RAZA IN BALBOA PARK

WHEN: SUNDAY, NOV. 6 AT 2PM

ARMED SECRET POLICE HIRED TO PATROL OPEN COMMUNITY MEETING

There will be a press conference at 2 pm today (Sun., Nov. 6) in front of the Centro Cultural de la Raza in Balboa Park to address the Centro Board's hiring of armed plainclothes off duty San Diego Police officers to patrol an open community meeting at the once vibrant Chicano community cultural center.

"They (the police) will be armed, but will be in casual clothing and the arms will be concealed," said Board President Aurelia Flores, in an email to the Save Our Centro Coalition (SOCC), the group which had worked for five years to bring the Centro Board to a public meeting.

Hundreds of community leaders will be present, along with a historic assembly of union organizers, activists, artists, educators and families. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the condition of the Centro's world renowned art collection, fiscal responsibily, and other concerns outlined in the Save Our Centro Coalition's 17 point Audit Petition.

Former Centro Boardmember, Jorge Mariscal, who resigned from the Board in 2000 citing lack of Board transparency and a culture of secrecy, issued a statement asking the Board to not allow weapons into the community meeting.

"Throughout his career, Cesar Chavez... consistently refused to accept armed security. By doing so, he maintained the moral and ethical high ground. Today at the Centro, the community will respect our tradition of militant non-violence. Those of you who would invite men with guns into our midst will violate that tradition," said Mariscal, Chair of the UCSD Chicano/Latino Arts and Humanities Program.

Maria de Leon, Executive Director of the National Association of Latino Arts and Culture was scheduled to serve as a mediator, alongside three mediators from the National Conflict Resolution Center. De Leon issued a statement that NALAC would not participate in the meeting as a result of the Centro's use of armed security.

"NALAC will not participate in a meeting with an organization such as Centro Cultural that treats another organization, artists and the community in this manner. We are troubled by the actions of the Centro Cultural and do not condone armed meetings with our communities," said de Leon.

The Save Our Centro Coalition will hold a press conference at 2 pm today in front of the Centro Cultural de la Raza in Balboa Park to discuss the community's reaction and the possibility of moving the meeting to a safe location. Many attendees plan on bringing their children and families to show that armed secret police intimidation will not divert them from their mission; a fair and open discussion about the future of the Centro, a non-profit public benefit corporation housed on public land in Balboa Park.

For more information about the SOCC and today's meeting, please call 714-417-0073 or visit: www.saveourcentro.org.



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November 7, 2005

City Manager, Chris Zapata National City 1243 National City Blvd. National City, CA 91950

Re: Prop B Investigation

City Manager Zapata:

Concerning my phone call and November 5, 2005 e-mail requesting a cease and desist order to city employees to stop the illegal use of taxpayer's monies/equipment to politic for passage of Prop B. A demand is hereby made that your office and NC City Attorney launch an immediate investigation (regardless if Prop B is approved or defeated) concerning the following NC resident's complaints:

- 1. Who gave the approval or authorization for city employees (NC Fireman) to use taxpayer's equipment (NC fire truck plastered with Yes on Prop B posters), and taxpayer's monies (fireman on duty) to politic for Prop B?
- 2. City involvement, especially City Councilman Ron Morrison's (paid by taxpayers) politicking for passage of Prop B.

According to published reports, "city officials cannot provide tax funds or promote this ballot or personally advocate for it." Aside from the investigation we also urge that appropriate action be taken against any city employees who are found guilty of using taxpayer's monies or equipment for political purposes. If NC employees or politicians wish to politic for or against measures and individuals no problem; as long as they do it on their own nickel and not taxpayers monies or equipment as seems to be the case with the above complaints.

We will wait for your prompt response on this matter, before we forwarded it to the appropriate state election officials.

Waiting

Herman Baca, President

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"A GRASS ROOTS VICTORY" THE DEFEAT OF NATIONAL CITY'S PROPOSITION B

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NATIONAL CITY, CALIFORNIA....."THE LANDSLIDE DEFEAT (57% OPPOSITION) OF PROPOSITION B (SALES TAX INCREASE) BY NC VOTERS WAS HAILED BY THE NATIONAL CITY BASED COMMITTEE ON CHICANO RIGHTS (CCR) AS A, "GRASS ROOTS VICTORY FOR NC RESIDENTS, AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS WHO OPPOSE THE CITY'S EMINENT DOMAIN PLAN."

THE PROPOSITION ENDORSED BY MAYOR INZUNZA AND CITY COUNCIL, OUTSIDE INTERESTS OF NC, INCLUDED THE S.D. UNION, CITY bureaucrats, POLICE OFFICER'S ASSOCIATION, NC FIRE FIGHTERS AND THE MILE OF CARS OWNERS FRONT, THE NC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WHO HAD A PURPORTED BUDGET OF \$30-50,000! ACCORDING TO THE CCR "PROPOSITION B WAS DEFEATED BY DONATED MATERIALS AND PEOPLE POWER."

CCR PRESIDENT, HERMAN BACA STATED, "THE LANDSLIDE DEFEAT OF PROP B WAS A REFENDRUM ON THE EMINENT DOMAIN ISSUE, AND VOTERS PAY BACK TO MAYOR NICK INZUNZA AND HIS RUBBER STAMP CITY COUNCIL FOR IGNORING VOTERS AND RESIDENTS OPPOSITION."

"NC VOTERS HAVE SPOKEN LOUD AND CLEAR THAT THEY ARE IN COMPLETE OPPOSITION TO THE CITY'S PROPOSED EMINENT DOMAIN PLAN, AND THE CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION." CONTINUED BACA, "VOTERS WILL DEMAND THAT MAYOR INZUNZA AND CITY COUNCIL EITHER ABOLISH, MAKE RADICAL CHANGES OR PLACE THE ABOVE ISSUES TO A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE, OR FACE A RECALL FROM NC VOTERS."

ACCORDING TO BACA 'OTHER LONG STANDING ISSUES THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE DEFEAT OF PROP B WERE,"

- 1. MAYOR INZUNZA AND COUNCIL MEMBERS IGNORING 2300 VOTER PETITIONS CALLING FOR A COMMUNITY POLICE REVIEW BOARD WITH SUBPONEA POWER, AND THEN MANIPULATING THE 2002 PROP B ELECTION BY SPENDING \$100,000.00 OF TAXPAYERS MONIES FOR A BOGUS COMMISSION,
- 2. TURNING THE CITY OVER TO OUTSIDE DEVELOPERS, BUILDERS AND LOBBYIST.

- 3. INCREASING THEIR OWN SALARIES BY 18%,
- 4. DECREASING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS FROM 4 TO 2 A MONTH,
- 5. INCREASING NC RESIDENTS SEWER RATES AND PLACING THEM ON HOMEOWNERS YEARLY PROPERTY TAXES,
- 6. INCREASING RESIDENTS TRASH FEES,
- 7. SPENDING \$62,000.00 ON FURNITURE FOR THE EMINENT DOMAIN COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION,

IN CLOSING BACA STATED THAT, "THE VOTE MANIFEST THAT NC RESIDENTS AND VOTERS ARE SICK AND TIRED OF BEING MANIPULATED BY OUTSIDE POLITICAL INTEREST SUCH AS THE SD UNION, CITY EMPLOYEES UNIONS (ONLY 4 POLICE OFFICERS AND 2 FIREMAN LIVE IN NC), AND ECONOMIC INTEREST SUCH AS THE MILE OF CARS CONTROLLED NC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, DEVELOPERS, BUILDERS AND lobbyist."

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The voters of National City have spoken, loud and clear! With the landslide defeat of Prop B; regardless of the political spin being put out by NC politicians, the SD Union, NC Chamber of Commerce, Fireman's Union, Police Officers Association's etc., the political facts are that the vote on Prop B was not about taxes or public services but,

- 1. A referendum against the city's proposed Eminent Domain plan (2004 Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan) that voters, residents and small business oppose,
- 2. Voter pay back to Mayor Nick Inzunza who is leaving NC and is now a political lame duck, and the City Council (who are perceived as the mayor's puppy dogs) for ignoring their opposition to the Community Development Commission (CDC) proposed eminent domain plan, past mandates and issues of concern,
- 3. Community anger against the CDC an agency that is viewed by residents as a quasi-government administered and accountable only to NC politicians, that is utilized to double dip to augment their salaries, which favors big business (Mossy Nissan), outside developers, builders and lobbyists for purposes of procuring future political campaign contributions.

NC voters/residents/small business's also defeated Prop B to send a political message that they are fed up with being ignored, and manipulated by outside economic/political interests. Voters anger has reached the boiling point that the **recall** of proponents of "eminent domain" is being discussed in the community unless,

- The council votes down the 2004 Amendment to the Redevelopment Plan,
- The council places the "Eminent Domain" issue on the June ballot so NC voters can approve or reject the plan,
- The Community Development Commission (CDC) is abolished, restructured i.e. no politicians serve on the board, converting it into a city department, etc., so the agency will be accountable, responsive and serve the needs of the community and not outside economic and political interests as is presently the case.

You must decide whether you will change and start representing the will and interest of the people, or continue yours and the councils past political skullduggery that includes,

- Orchestrating meetings, phony hearings, bogus community workshops, delaying tactics etc.,
- Ignoring community public input and testimony heard at every public hearing,
- Following lock step behind the political lead of "lame duck" Mayor Nick Inzunza,
- Ignoring the reasons for voters defeat of Prop B or,
- Face the strong possibility of a voter recall in the near future!

In closing, as I stated above "National City voters have spoken out loud and clear" on their opposition to the proposed plan on "Eminent Domain." The political decision of what you are going to do is now in your hands.

Waiting,

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION ENCLOSED. Attached below is letter forwarded to both NC City Attorney George Eiser and City Manager Cris Zapata. CCR

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November 17, 2005 City Attorney, George Eiser III National City 1243 National City Blvd. National City, CA 91950

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Re: Prop B Investigation

City Attorney Eiser:

It has been 10 days since we requested an investigation of the enclosed issue regarding who authorized city employees (fireman) to use city equipment (fire truck) to politic for passage of Prop B. To date you and the City Manager have not had the professional courtesy to either acknowledge receipt or response to our request. As I stated in my November 7, 2005 letter; we would wait for the city's official response before forwarding the matter to the appropriate state agency. This correspondence is to officially notify you that we will wait until Tuesday, November 22, 2005.

Still, waiting

Herman Baca, President Cc. Mayor, City Council, City Manager, Community Organization, News Media

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To all concerned, attached are the following,

Subject:

Last minute appeal!

1) Appeal from Afro-American community seeking assistance's to spare Stanley "Tokie" Williams life. If you oppose death penalty we urge you to phone or forward e-mail to Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger (see below), time is urgent

as Governor will decide by tomorrow,

2) Letter from CCR opposing execution of Stanley "Tookie" Williams

Gracias,

CCR

1) Minister Tukufu Kalonji (619) 804-1685 _tkalonji@hotmail.com_ (mailto:tkalonji@hotmail.com)

Its time to say NO to state sanctioned murder!

Only Schwarzenegger can grant clemency to save the life of Stanley Tookie Williams, who has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize for his outstanding work from prison.

URGENT! Call Governor's office: 916-445-2841 _governor@governor.ca.gov_ (mailto:governor@governor.ca.gov)

message from

Minister Tukufu Kalonji (619) 804-1685 _tkalonji@hotmail.com_ (mailto:tkalonji@hotmail.com)

We are 9 days away from the scheduled day of death for Stanley Tookie Williams. The following activities are forth coming in the San Diego efforts of our Campaign to SaveTookie Williams from state sanctioned murder.

We still need each and every one of you to come aboard and help where you can and for those who have already done so we say Asante Sana (thank you very much) for without your help we could not have done what we have achieved to this point.

And as you know we still must keep the fight going until our demand for clemency for Tookie is met. CONTINUE THE STRUGGLE !!!

THE ACTIVITIES ARE:

6 Dec- NAACP - "TOUR FOR LIFE - Press Conference with Bruce Gordon President & CEO of the National NAACP, 10:30am @ San Diego Concourse (City Hall) 202 C St, San Diego, 92101

7 Dec, The Hall of Justice@ 330 West Broadway S.D. CA. 12:00 to 1:30pm The Faiths of Our Fathers & Mothers: Prayers, Practice & Struggle Against the Death Penalty

A press conference, rally / demonstration, & prayer vigil in opposition to the death penalty with the specific task of calling for justice and clemency for Tookie.

7 Dec "Full Focus on KPBS Public Television - Crime, Punishment & Redemption: Tookie Williams, Channel 15/Cable 11 at 6:30 & 11:00 pm

7 Dec 2005, The Malcolm X Library, 5148 Market St, San Diego, 6pm to 8pm Talking & Teaching on Tookie: Speaking Truth to Power thru Spoken Word

A Spoken Word venue focusing the good works and the struggle for justice for Tookie.

For information contact: Minister Tukufu Kalonji @ (619) 804-1685 or _tkalonji@hotmail.com_ (mailto:tkalonji@hotmail.com) 2)

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December 05, 2005 Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger Governors Office State Capitol, 1st Floor Sacramento, CA 95814 Governor Schwarzenegger:

Killing whether committed by an individual or the state, is MURDER! We call for an end to California's state sanction murder that now threatens to execute Mr. Tookie Williams. History has taught us that the U.S. Justice System has not been blind in applying the death penalty against so-called minorities, especially Afro-Americans and Chicanos.

Mr. Williams since he was charged by the state and incarcerated has proclaimed his innocence. He has renounced his past and attempted to redeem himself by contributing to society thru his Nobel Peace Prize nominated writings that teach young people to stay away from a life of crime and gangs. Redemption is the corner stone and foundation taught by the major religions of the world. As Governor we call on you to heed that moral principle and resist calls by individuals and groups who seek vengeance by executing Mr. Williams. Instead we urge you to end state sanction murders and grant clemency and justice to Mr. Tookie Williams. The eyes of the world are upon you and the state of California; awaiting your decision on this life and death issue.

Sincerely yours, Herman Baca, President Cc. Minister Tukufu Kalonji, Rev. George Walker Smith Community Organizations From:

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Subject:

Resignation of Mayor Nick Inzunza demanded!

To all concerned and especially our community,:

For your information enclosed and attached is correspondence to NC Mayor Nick Inzunza demanding that he resign his position as Mayor of NC for his violation of the public trust and exploitation of poor people. This type of politician is not what so many of our people demonstrated, picketed, boycotted, went to jail and some gave their lives for. It appears that some of the oppressed, have now become the oppressors. Question for all in our community especially individuals or organizations is, what are you as an going to do about this political disgracia?

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December 19, 2005
Mayor Nick Inzunza
1243 National City Blvd.
National City, CA 91950

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Mayor Inzunza:

The Committee on Chicano Rights (CCR), an organization that has fought since 1970 for the human, civil and constitutional rights of persons of Mexican ancestry demands in no uncertain terms that you;

- * Resign your position as Mayor of National City, and politics! You have crossed the line. In published revelations it has been reported that you as a "slum landlord," subjected poor people to live in inhuman conditions, with rats, cockroaches, vermin, no toilets, running water, etc., and utilized your public elected paid position to make millions from questionable real estate deals.
- * This is no different then what corrupt Mexican politicians have historically done to Mexico poor people, and what all American ex-Congressman Randy "Duke" Cunningham was convicted for.

Without question or doubt the revelations are una disgracia (disgrace) y una verguenza (shame) to the total community, and especially to persons of Mexican ancestry.

After politically posturing that you are for the poor and dispossessed, you hypocritically exploited poor people for personal financial gain.

By exploiting poor people you have convicted yourself (don't blame your wife), and disgraced our people, the entire community and yourself! You have now lost all moral authority to govern or lead.

We urge, before you are possibly indicted or (?) to do the only honorable political thing left, RESIGN IMMEDIATELY!

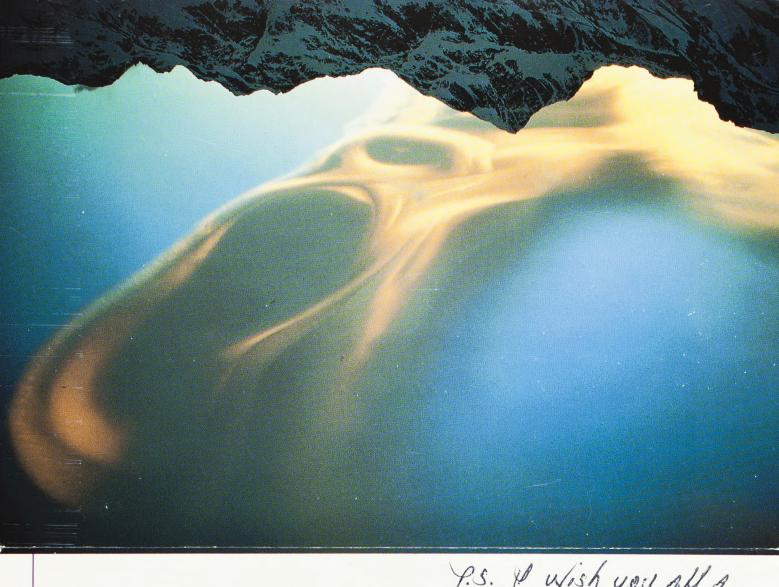
By resigning you might spare yourself, your people and National City, (the poorest city in San Diego County) further embarrassment, ridicule, and humiliation!

History waits,

Herman Baca, President Cc. Community Organizations, City Council, News Media

Nov. 14, 2005 SREETINGS PRIMO Dil: I must apologize for the delay in getting back to you but his death plenatty case that I work on agily consumes a lot of my time. This place sure does have a fund of keeping me motivated and focused to you can see, I refuse to languish in anguish clike so many prisoners here do) or let the forces of oppression control my mind. Struggling against a system that is trying to deprive your VERY Existence is an enormous task, but it is the struggle MARE US STRONGER AND WISER. Although I AM IN THE ANGUSTMENT center Chetter known as the hole" or a solitary continement woit" and on death row, my mind and spirit are free. That's two things this system And their agents of oppression will NEVER inprison ~ AND you earl take that to the bank. ANGUAY, it was a pleasure to hear from you again and to learn that your feeling much better each day that passes the obvious that those Durses are giving you pleaty of ferver loving CARE AND PROPER MEdical treating but Strant KIND BY love, AND medical freatment will definitely speed up ANYONES RECOVERY. I NEXT time you SEE VIVI, give him mylbest and I wish him a speledy recovery way And Vivi are going to have to stop partying so hard and exuising lown Eddie-Boy. I pare a lot of REspect for both of them because they have pluggs been there for the RARGE Especially HERMAND. I REMEMBER goiffy to his office/printshop and he would plugge be working and preparing for the Wext protest. Herman has spent the majority of his life helpful the RARA AND I Applyed him for it. ONE thing that I LEARNED IRON HERMAN WAS this: Physical courage is Not thereourage to value. EVEN more important is howing the mokal courage to stand up to blatant intolerable, hate and injustice " HERMAN is definitely frue to the cause bELAUSE he possesses genural moral courage. Does HERMAN OR Eddie Boy still work with the At-Rock youth in the barries? I'm just curious becaused it gre good. Aryway, you give my best to HERMAN AND Eddie Boy ONE MORE important thing. & was sorry to, hear about PAT CORRAL. U REMEMBER HER AND SHE WAS GOOD PEOPLE. YOU HAD A GOOD WOMAN THERE BECAUSE SHE HAD STYLE AND CLASS. My conductives do out to you, your family and Pats family (mother, FATHER SISTERS, GROTHER).

JOU AND YOUR LAMILY THE CARE AND I WISH YOU All the best in life. I said my blest to your family Civeluding your mother and beverly .





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Dear Herman:

Steve Azcona, Russell Rodriguez, and I have been working together to produce a CD called *Rolas de Aztlán: Songs of the Chicano Movement* (SFW CD 40516) due for release on September 13, 2005.

It's my understanding that you were contacted by Steve or Russell (or perhaps both of them) with regards to a photograph you contributed for use in the liner notes and packaging of this CD. We choose 1 of the photos you contributed. I've included a copy of it as it will appear in the packaging. You can keep this for your records.

According to Smithsonian regulations, we need you to fill out our photo license agreement (enclosed with this letter). Please sign and return it to me at your earliest convenience. I've included a pre-addressed, postage paid envelope.

Thanks so much for your generous contribution of a photo for use in this compilation. We will be sending you some complimentary copies as soon as we have finished product. Please don't hesitate to call or email me if you have any questions or need further information.

Warm regards,

Mary Monseur Production Manager Smithsonian Folkways Recordings 750 9th Street, NW, Suite 4100 Washington, DC, 20001 202-275-1140 monseur@folkways.si.edu IN PRODUCT



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SONGS OF THE CHICANO MOVEMENT

1. Yo soy Chicano 2:53 (Juanita Domínguez) Los Alvarados

2. De colores 3:18 Sung by children from the School of Santa Isabel, East Los Angeles, California Accompanied by Los Lobos del Este de Los

3. Yo no le tengo miedo a nada 1:32 (Agustín Lira) Live recording from 1966 UFW meeting hall Accompanied by El Teatro Campesino

4. Llegando a los files 1:26 (Agustín Lira) El Teatro Campesino

5. El picket sign 3:12 (Luis Valdez / Menyah Music) El Teatro Campesino

6. No nos moverán 2:39 La Rondalla Amerindia de Aztlán

7. Niños campesinos 2:06 (El Teatro Campesino / Menyah Music) El Teatro Campesino

8. Corrido de César Chávez 3:02 (Felipe Cantú) Los Perros del Pueblo Nuevo

9. Corrido de Rio Arriba 4:02 (Roberto Martínez) Los Reyes de Albuquerque

10. Corrido de bracero 3:58 (Jesús "Chuy" Negrete) Los Mascarones y Los Alacranes Mojados

11. América de los indios 4:20 (Daniel Valdez) Daniel Valdez

12. El quinto sol 3:27 (Enrique Ramírez—Nestor Mili) Los Peludos

13. Soy del pueblo 2:26 (Carlos Puebla) Flor del Pueblo

14. El tilingo lingo 1:53 (Lino Carrillo—Los Lobos) Los Lobos del Este de Los Angeles

15. Yo soy tu hermano, yo soy chicano 4:30 (Rumel Fuentes) Conjunto Aztlan

16. Lulac Cadillac 4:14 (José Montoya-Rudy Carrillo / Fantasy Inc., ASCAP) Trio Casindio

17. Chicano Park Samba 6:46 (Ramón "Chunky" Sánchez / Alacran Productions) Los Alacranes Mojados

18. Vietnam Veterano 8:17 (Al Reyes) Al Reyes

19. ¡Quihubo raza! 3:47 (Agustín Lira)

This disc is dedicated to the memory of Lalo Guerrero,

"The Father of Chicano Music" (1916-2005) and Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzales, Chicano Movement leader (1928-2005).

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NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS - (NAHR)

Press Advisory

January 6, 2006

Subject: Latinos Meet to Mobilize Against Nativist Immigration legislation and Attacks

Contact: Armando Navarro, NAHR Coordinator, (951) 333-6819

The National Alliance for Human Rights, a network of individuals and organizations committed to the promotion of human rights, social justice, and political empowerment, will be holding an emergency meeting at the Villasenore Library, located at 525 N. Mt. Vernon Ave., San Bernardino, Thursday, January 12, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The meeting's agenda will focus on strategically formulating a Mexicano/Latino coordinated response to the pending federal and state immigration legislation being considered in Washington and Sacramento and on the escalating attacks on the Mexicano/Latino communities.

The main speaker will be Congressman Joe Baca, who will report on efforts by the Congressional Hispanic Caucus to defeat the U.S. Border Protection, Anti-Terrorism, and Illegal Immigration Control proposed by Rep. James Sensenbrenner (R) recently approved by the House of Representatives.

Other reports will be made by invited Assemblyman Joe Baca Jr., who will address State Senator Gil Cedillos' pending Driver's License legislation; Mexican Consul Carlos Giralt Cabrales, who will report on the Mexican government's opposition to the Sensenbrenner legislation and on the latest shooting border incident.

Several organizational representatives will also report as to their activities against the various aspects of the escalating immigration crisis.

Enrique Morones, representative of the San Diego County based Gente Unida Coalition, and others will report on their anti-Minuteman Project organizing efforts.

According to Armando Navarro, NAHR Coordinator, "The purpose of the meeting is to strategically initiate a Latino organizing and mobilization process for 2006 in California that will produce a coordinated strategy designed to defeat the Senenbrenner legislation.

In addition, to formulate a pro-active response by Latinos to the escalating nativist anti-immigrant attacks and politics, specifically being directed against Mexicanos and Latinos, first within San Bernardino and Riverside Counties; secondly the state; and thirdly, the nation."

"Understanding the horrific anti-immigrant political climate rampant throughout the country and the severity of the consequences of the racist Sensenbrenner legislation, in particular the building of an Iron Curtain along the U.S./Mexico border, Mexicanos and Latinos in this country are under a state of siege reminiscent of the McCarthy Era, the difference being that the Bush Administration and nativist Republicans are targeting not communists, but us as their targets of persecution," Navarro added.

With the Sensenbrenner Legislation now before the Senate, the National Alliance for Human Rights urges all individuals and organizations protecting human rights and social justice to come to the meeting to learn, get involved, have input, and make a difference in efforts to persuade the Senate to defeat it and embrace a viable immigration legalization reform program.

Moreover, with the anti-immigrant and Mexican political climate worsening and the importance of the upcoming congressional elections, 2006 needs to be a year of massive mobilizations, activism, and political participation to countervail the heinous, racist and nativist crusade.

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"In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends."-- Martin Luther King, Jr.

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