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SF Chronicle Hearsts Get Kidnap Demand ---

Daughter Tapes Plea to Parents

Her Voice Recorded On Friday

By Carolyn Auspacher

The small, breathy voice of kidnaped publishing heiress Patricia Hearst was spun out on yards of tape yesterday to reassure her parents that she was still alive.

But implicit in the message was the chilling, warning that unless demands by the Symbionese Liberation Army are met fully and speedily, her life may be in jeopardy. The demands were made on Miss Hearst's father, Randolph A. Hearst.

The 19-year-old Miss Hearst recorded her message last Friday. On that day in Kuwait, she said, "the commandos negotiated the release of their hostages and

left the country."

Speaking almost as if there were weights on her chest, Miss Hearst addressed her parents through a maze of pauses and the frequent sigh of heavy breathing.

She was all right, she said, aside from a "few scrapes and stuff." Patricia said she had a cold but "they're giving me pills for it and stuff." She said she was not being "starved or beaten or unnecessarily frightened."

She was being kept blindfolded most of the time "so that I can't identify anyone" and, she added, her hands are "often tied."

"I am not gagged or anything," she went on; "I'm comfortable and I think you can tell that I'm not really terrified or anything and I'm okay."

Miss Hearst said she was "very upset" about a raid last week on an Oakland house and said she would "appreciate it if everyone would just calm down and not try to find me and not try to make identifications because they're not only en-

dangering me but they're endangering themselves."

Miss Hearst made it clear she was not with a "bunch of nuts" but with a deadly earnest, armed combat unit.

She said her captors are "perfectly willing to die for what they're doing," and she added: "I want to get out of here, but the only way I'm going to is if we do it their way."

Miss Hearst interrupted herself to say that she was operating the tape recorder, stopping and starting it so she could "collect her thoughts." But she did not explain the background sounds audible during the

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frequent pauses.

She warned her father to take the SLA "requests" seriously and declared that its members "have really been honest with me and I feel pretty sure that I'm going to get out of here if everything goes the way they want it to . . ."

The army, she said has "ideological ties with peoples' struggles for independence throughout the world and as such consider themselves soldiers." She herself, she said, is a "prisoner of war," as are two SLA members now held in San Quentin prison on charges of murdering Oakland School Superintendent Marcus Foster last November.

"I'm being treated in accordance with the Geneva convention and one of the conditions being that I am not being tried for crimes . . ."

which I'm not responsible for," she said. "I'm here because I'm a member of a ruling-class family and I think you can begin to see the analogy.

The men in San Quentin are being held and they're going to be tried simply because they are members of the SLA and not because they've done anything.

"You're being told this so you'll understand that whatever happens to the two prisoners is going to happen to me. You have to understand that I am held, being innocent, the same way that the two men in San Quentin are innocent and they are simply members of the group and have not actually done anything themselves to warrant their arrest.

"I am telling you now WHY this happened so that you'll know, so that you'll have something to use — the knowledge to try to get me out of here. If you can get the food thing organized before the 19th, then that's okay and it will just speed up my release.

"Today is Friday the eighth and in Kuwait they, the commandos, negotiated the release of their hostages and they left the country."

Then, abruptly, the message came to an end with the single word "Bye."

Free Food Called For In Letter

By Charles Raudebaugh

The terrorist kidnapers of Patricia Hearst set as a preliminary ransom yesterday the distribution by her father of perhaps \$350 million worth of free food to the state's aged, welfare recipients and paroled convicts.

In a taped message that accompanied the ransom letter, the 19-year-old coed assured her parents that she is well but left little doubt she is in fear of her life if the demands of her abductors, the self-styled Symbionese Liberation Army, are not met.

"The only way I'll get out is to do it their way," she said. "I hope you'll do what they say and do it quickly."

The father, San Francisco publisher Randolph A. Hearst, said the political tone of the ransom demand gave him reassurance that his daughter is safe.

"They are politically motivated," he said. "If they say she's safe, I believe it. I believe they are taking good care of her."

After Hearst had studied the demands carefully, a family spokesman said he "will give consideration to every demand and will talk to the agencies and institutions to determine how feasible it could be or would be."

He said Hearst had no idea how many would qualify for the food or what it would cost, "but there will be a serious effort made and if it is within Mr. Hearst's realm, he'll comply."

The Symbionese Liberation Army said that the dis-

tribution of the free food, to commence February 19 and continue for a month, would be taken as a "gesture of good faith" and would then open the door to negotiations for the release of the kidnaped girl.

Although future demands were not spelled out, there was clear implication that the mysterious underground

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group — which numbers perhaps no more than a dozen persons — wants the release of two men held for the November 6 slaying of Marcus Foster, Oakland schools superintendent.

The two, Russell Little and Joseph Remiro, are temporarily being held in San Quentin prison, and in her taped message Miss Hearst referred to them several times.

"You understand why I was kidnaped and so you'll understand that whatever happens to the two prisoners is going to happen to me," the girl said to her father.

A man identifying himself only as Cinque, a general field marshal in the "United Federated Forces of the Symbionese Liberation Army," spoke on the same tape about "our captured soldiers in San Quentin" and hoped that they will receive the treatment accorded prisoners of war under international law.

Cinque, who said he was

also called "Cin," addressing himself directly to Hearst on the tape, said he was the father of two children himself, but he would sacrifice their lives if by doing so he could "save thousands of children."

"I am therefore quite willing to carry out the execution of your daughter to save the lives of starving men, women and children of all

racess," he said.

"I wish to say to you and to Mrs. Hearst that I as well as the forces under my command, are not savage killers and madmen, and we do hold a high, moral value on life."

Cinque voiced a lengthy denunciation of Hearst as head of a "fascist media empire which is one of the largest propaganda institutions of the military state . . . and the corporate dictatorship which President Nix-

on and Vice President Ford represent."

The SLA's "general field marshal" said that the girl's mother, Catherine Campbell Hearst, is a member of the Board of Regents of the University of California, and the board has world-wide investments that "exploit" the people of Mozambique, Rhodesia and other countries.

The kidnap victim is herself a student at the University of California. She was abducted at gunpoint the night of February 4 from the apartment of her fiance, Steven Weed, at 2603 Benvenue avenue, in Berkeley.

The ransom letter that accompanied the taped messages directed Hearst to provide \$70 worth of meat, vegetables and dairy products to "all people with welfare cards, social security pension cards, food stamp cards, disabled veteran cards, Medi-Cal cards, parole or probation papers and jail or bail release slips."

It suggested that stores such as Safeway and Mayfair be used as distribution points.

The letter also demanded that full media exposure be given to the seven-headed cobra that is the insignia of the SLA, and to a lengthy "Declaration of Revolutionary War and the Symbionese Program."

The latter document was

in the bombastic language that has marked past communications from the group. It dwelt repeatedly on the "murder, oppression and exploitation of the people," and said the Symbionese Liberation Army was determined to end this.

"We are a United Front and Federated Coalition of members from the Asian, Black, Brown, Indian, White, Women, Grey and Gay Liberation Movements," said the "declaration of war."

The letter was mailed somewhere on the San Francisco peninsula. Previous communications have been mailed in Marin county, Berkeley and San Francisco.

Like the first letter that was received last Thursday, it was sent to radio station KPFA in Berkeley. The first letter said only that Miss Hearst had been "arrested" by the Symbionese Liberation Army, presumably because her father is "a corporate enemy of the people."

In yesterday's taped message, General Field Marshal Cinque said that for security reasons, future communications would not be frequent.

The history of political kidnappings in other countries is that there have often been long gaps between messages from the kidnapers.

The abduction of Miss Hearst is the first political kidnaping in the United States, and has attracted world-wide attention.

Charles Bates, local head of the FBI, said no one in his office recognized the voice of "Cinque" on yesterday's tape.

He also declared that there was no indication the girl has been removed from the Bay Area.

Food Demand--a Staggering Job

By Keith Power

The demand in the Hearst kidnap — envisioning the biggest, single food giveaway in California's history — was greeted with careful silence yesterday by the authorities and most of the radical-reform groups that were listed in the letter from the Symbionese Liberation

Army.

It was clear, however, that the logistics involved in supplying an estimated \$350 million worth of food to approximately five million Californians would be staggering.

The timetable for delivery in seven California cities, including San Francisco, Oak-

land, Richmond, East Palo Alto and Santa Rosa, allows four weeks starting next Tuesday.

Food would be distributed at well known retail stores on each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday so that those qualifying for the handout "will not be forced to stand waiting in long lines" ac-

cording to the Symbionese Liberation Army.

Those qualifying, the demand said, are "all people with welfare cards, Social Security pension cards, food stamp cards, disabled veteran cards, Medi-Cal cards, parole or probation papers,

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and jail or bail release slips."

Welfare authorities at both the state and local levels said it would be impossible to produce a close approximation of the numbers involved. Many aid recipients are on two programs and in the case of persons on probation, for instance, the figures are kept by separate counties.

Working on base figures of three million Social Security beneficiaries in California and 1.4 million state welfare recipients, a conservative estimate would be one in every four Californians, the experts said.

Supermarkets like Safeway and Mayfair were proposed by the kidnapers to distribute the \$70 worth of "meats, vegetables and dairy products."

A Mayfair spokesman declined comment and Safeway issued a statement saying that police authorities "will be determining what action they will recommend in this matter and will undoubtedly advise the business community of their recommendations."

The kidnapers, addressing "The People," said: "If you are not receiving your food, all you have to do is voice your discontent in the streets, at bus stops, movie theaters, etc, and we will hear about."

The kidnapers then called

upon "community groups . . . to act as observers and co-ordinators to see to it that the aged and the disabled receive their food and ways to transport it and shop for it, AND to see to it that NO police-state agents, in or out of uniform, are allowed to be in the areas of food distribution or photograph or harass the people."

The letter specifically suggested the Nairobi College in East Palo Alto, Glide Memorial Church in San Francisco, the Black Teachers Caucus, the National Welfare Rights Organization, the United Farm Workers,

AIM, Third World Women's Alliance, United Prisoner's Union, Getting Together, Kalayan, Triple Jeopardy, Black Panther Party and The Anvil.

The Reverend Edward L. Peet, president of the California Legislative Council for Older Americans, angrily rejected the food giveaway demanded yesterday by the kidnapers of Patricia Hearst.

"We will go hungry before we accept food under the threat of violence," Peet, 72, said. He said he was speaking for one million people represented by his council.

Popeye Jackson, president

of the United Prisoners Union, said:

"Speaking as an individual, I wouldn't wish her (Miss Hearst) any harm. We will gladly do what we may be asked to do to help, but what about the thousands of badly treated prisoners in California's concentration camps?"

Representatives of other organizations contacted by The Chronicle said they were in no position to comment because they were still studying the demands.

A statement issued by Cesar Chavez' United Farm Workers said: "We know nothing about the demands which are being made beyond the reports which the press has given us today. We are concerned with the safety and release of Miss Hearst."

Nairobi College, the Black Panther Party and Glide Memorial Church were separately considering their response, officials said.

In Sacramento, Philip J. Newlin, chief deputy director of the state Department of Social Welfare, declined to comment as to whether such a mass giveaway program is feasible.

State Senator James Mills (Dem-San Diego), acting governor in the absence out of state of Governor Ronald Reagan and Lieutenant Governor Ed Reinecke, said he had no comment on the demand.



By Clem Albers

Word From Kidnapers

This was how radio station KPFA in Berkeley looked at 10 a.m. yesterday. Sixty-three reporters and cameramen had crowded into a 12-by-12 foot studio to listen to the communication from the Symbionese Liberation Army

about the kidnaping of Patricia Hearst. The station's news director, Paul Fischer, read the SLA's long statement as television cameras whirred. A tape recording of Miss Hearst's voice was also played. Story on Page 4.

An SLA Field Marshal

Here is the statement by a member of the Symbionese Liberation Army which preceded the voice of Patricia Hearst on the tape recording sent to radio station KPFA yesterday:

To those who would bear the hopes and future of our people that the voice of their guns express the words of freedom. Greetings to the people, and fellow comrades, brothers and sisters. My name is Cinque and to my comrades I am known as Cin. I am a black man and a representative of black people. I hold the rank of General Field Marshal in the United Federated Forces of the Symbionese Liberation Army.

Today I have received an order from the Symbionese war council, the court of the people, to the effect that I am ordered to convey the following message in behalf of the SLA and to insert a taped word of comfort and verification that Patricia Campbell Hearst is alive and safe.

The Symbionese Liberation Army is the federated union of military political elements of many different liberation struggles and of many different races.

Our unified purpose is to liberate the oppressed peoples of this nation and to aid other oppressed people around the world in their struggle against fascist imperialism and the robbery of their freedom and homeland.

Since this is the purpose and goal of the SLA it is therefore clear to us as it will be to all oppressed people that our interest is to serve and defend the people and not ourselves. Since the people shall always come first in our hearts and souls.

The SLA has arrested the subject for the crimes that her mother and father have by their actions committed against we the American people and the oppressed

people of the world.

In understanding of this charge we must first understand who the Hearsts are, and who they serve, and represent.

Randolph A. Hearst is the corporate chairman of the fascist media empire of the ultra-right Hearst corporation which is one of the largest propaganda institutions of this present military dictatorship of the militarily armed corporate state that we now live under in this nation.

The primary goal of this empire is to serve and form the necessary propaganda and smoke screen to shield the American people from seeing the realities of the corporate dictatorship which Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford represent.

This network of propaganda and confusion has succeeded in hiding the truth from the people. That truth being that this nation has suffered its first military corporate coup and that the Constitution, which some of us still believe in, has been overthrown.

The fascist Hearst Corporation is composed of firstly, a national newspaper syndicate which includes the San Francisco Examiner and Chronicle and others which jump from California and to as far away as New York and Philadelphia.

Secondly, a magazine monopoly composed of over 13 publications, which include for example, House Beautiful, Harper's Bazaar, Town and Country, and Cosmopolitan.

Thirdly, a TV and radio station empire across the nation with production of propaganda films of both national and international use.

Fourth, ownership of vast areas of real estate in the United States and Mexico, forests, grasslands and cattle farms.

All of this is directly con-

nected to Washington and the corporate dictatorship of Richard Nixon and Gerald Ford. That is to say that the Hearst empire is one of the empires of the ruling class and whose interests serve the rich and are in direct contradiction with the interests of the people. Therefore they are enemies of the people.

Mrs. Randolph A. Hearst is a member of the University of California Board of Regents and is responsible along with others appointed by Governor Ronald Reagan for the loaning of funds and the investments of our California tax monies in corporation which have interests and do gain profit from the robbery, oppression, and genocide carried out by fascist and racist governments around the world and within the United States itself.

The regents with the support of Mrs. Hearst have time and time again been requested by we the people to not invest our money in such fascist corporations as General Motors, Westinghouse, Gulf, Standard Oil, Bank of America and others who have and do serve and gain profit, from the oppression, robbery, and murder that is committed against black people of South Africa, where 70,000 black children a year die from malnutrition, against white people of Ireland where U.S.-trained British soldiers shoot down in the street Irish fathers and mothers as U.S.-manufactured tear gas suffocates Irish children as their older sisters and brothers rot in British concentration camps, against the freedom of the Philippine people by United States and Marcos' puppet soldiers use U.S. manufactured napalm to attempt to burn away the spirit of freedom from the hearts and souls of the poor and starving.

The UC Board of Regents, one of California's largest foreign investors, supports

through its investments the murder of thousands of black women and children of Mozambique, Angola and Rhodesia, murder designed to destroy the spirit that all humanity longs for.

With all these crimes placed before the Board of Regents and Mrs. Hearst, with all the pleas from the people to stop supporting these corporations, and the murder of thousands of men, women, and children, the Board, and Mrs. Hearst, did not raise one voice in protest or refuse to be a party to these crimes committed against the American people.

For these acts and others the court of the people hold the Hearst family accountable for their crimes and hold that they are enemies of the people.

We of the Symbionese Liberation Army hold the Hearst Corporation and the Hearst family and the Board of Regents as well as the corporate states which they support and aid are enemies of the people, and as such that the people have a legal and human right and duty to attack said enemy according to the forms of war taken by the oppressed people against any enemy or murderer and oppressor to regain their freedom and liberty and to give life to their children and people.

It is therefore the directive of this court that before any form of negotiations for the release of the subject prisoner be initiated that an action of good faith be shown on the part of the Hearst family to allow the court and the oppressed people of this world and this nation to ascertain as to the real interest and cooperative attitude of the Hearst family and in so doing show some form of repentance for the murder and suffering they have aided and profited from, and this good-faith gesture is to be in the form of a token gesture to the op-

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pressed people that they aid the corporate state in robbing and removing their rights to freedom and liberty.

This gesture is to be in the form of food to the needy and the unemployed and to which the following instructions are directed to be followed to the letter.

In closing, and in speaking personally for myself, and as a father of two children, I wish to say to Mr. Hearst and Mrs. Hearst that I, as well as the forces under my command to the authority of the court of the people, are not savage killers and madmen and we do hold a high moral value to life.

We value life very deeply and with all the spirit that we as human beings can bring forth in our hearts, but speaking as a father I am quite willing to lose both my children if by that action I could save thousands of white, black, yellow and red children from a life of suffering, exploitation and murder, and I am therefore quite willing to carry out the execution of your daughter to save the life of starving men, women and children of every race and I am also, along with the loyal men and women of many races who love the people, quite willing to give our lives to freeing the people at any cost and if as you and others so naively believe that we will lose, let it be known that even in death we will win, for the very ashes of this fascist nation will mark our very graves.

At this point in the tape, Patricia Hearst made her statement. Then the man who identified himself as Cinque concluded with:

Mr. Hearst, um, as your

daughter said, she's being held under the international codes of war regarding prisoners of war and that is she is not going to be harmed in any manner unless any attempt is made to release her by force.

She is being properly treated, properly fed and she has an exercise area, fresh air and so forth and she is not being harmed in any fashion. And this is also related to our captured soldiers that are being held at San Quentin and we hope that they will receive the same treatment according to the international codes of war.

We understand from the national reports and so forth that the police authorities and others are attempting to place the responsibility upon us concerning the life of your daughter and to distort and mislead the realities of the facts of the matter.

However, we wish to express to you and to the authorities and to the public that whatever happens to your daughter will be totally your responsibility and the responsibility of the authorities which you represent. Her life will be maintained in the fashion that is accorded to the terms of war and if they and yourself violate these, her life and the blood of that will be upon your hands only.

In regards to communications, for security reasons and because of where we are at, it is not possible for

us to maintain a continuous flow of communications with you. So don't expect phone calls or communications three or four times a week because they won't come.

When the stated good-faith gesture is conducted and we have means to ascertain as to if they are, we will begin negotiations for the release of your daughter.

Until then, you can be sure and have our word, whatever that may be to you, that we will carry out our word to the letter and we mean exactly what we say. Death to the fascist insect that preys upon the life of the people.

'It's Really Up to You'

Patricia Hearst's

Here is the transcript of Patricia Hearst's tape recorded remarks delivered yesterday to her family:

"Mom, Dad. I'm OK. I had a few scrapes and stuff, but they washed them up and they're getting OK. And I caught a cold, but they're giving me pills for it and stuff.

"I'm not being starved or beaten or unnecessarily frightened. I've heard some press reports and so I know that Steve and all the neighbors are OK and that no one was really hurt.

"And I also know that the SLA members here are very upset about press distortions of what's been happening. They have nothing to do

with the August 7th movement. They have not been shooting down helicopters or shooting down innocent people in the streets.

"I'm kept blindfolded usually so that I can't identify anyone. My hands are often tied, but generally they're not. I'm not gagged or anything, and I'm comfortable.

"And I think you can tell that I'm not really terrified or anything and that I'm okay.

"I was very upset though to hear that police rushing in on that house in Oakland and I was really glad that I wasn't there and I would appreciate it if everyone would just calm down and try not to find me and not be making identifica-

tions because they're not only endangering me but they're endangering themselves.

"I'm with a combat unit that's armed with automatic weapons and there's also a medical team here and there's no way that I will be released until they let me go, so it won't do any good for somebody to come in here and try to get me out by force.

"These people aren't just a bunch of nuts. They've been really honest with me but they're perfectly willing to die for what they are doing.

"And I want to get out of here but the only way I'm going to is if we do it their way. And I just hope that



**PATRICIA HEARST, THE KIDNAPED HEIRESS
'Mom, Dad. I'm OK' her taped message began**

Message

you'll do what they say, Dad, and just do it quickly.

"I've been stopping and starting this tape myself, so that I can collect my thoughts. That's why there are so many stops in it.

"I'm not being forced to say any of this. I think it's really important that you take their requests very seriously about not arresting any other SLA members and about following their good faith request to the letter.

"I just want to get out of here and see everyone again and be back with Steve.

"The SLA is very interested in seeing how you're taking this, Dad, and they want to make sure that you are really serious and listening

to what they're saying.

"And they think that you've been taking this whole thing a lot more seriously than the police and the FBI and other federal people have been taking it.

"It seems to be getting to the point where they're not worried about you so much as they're worrying about other people. Or at least I am.

"It's really up to you to make sure that these people don't jeopardize my life by charging in and doing stupid things, and I hope you will make sure that they don't do anything else like that Oakland house business.

"The SLA people really have been honest with me and I really I mean I feel pretty sure that I'm going to get out of here if everything goes the way they want it to.

"And I think you should feel that way too and try not to worry so much. I mean I know it's hard but I heard that Mom was really upset and that everybody was at home. I hope that this puts you a little bit at ease so that you know that I really am all right.

"I just hope I can get back to everybody really soon.

"The SLA has ideological ties with the IRA, the people's struggle in the Philippines and the Socialist people in Puerto Rico in their struggle for independence, and they consider themselves to be soldiers who are fighting and aiding these people.

"I am a prisoner of war and so are the two men in San Quentin. I am being treated in accordance with the Geneva Convention, one of the conditions being that I am not being tried for crimes which I'm not responsible for.

"I am here because I am a member of a ruling class family and I think you can begin to see the analogy.



STEVEN WEED
Miss Hearst's fiance

you'll understand that whatever happens to the two prisoners is going to happen to me.

"You have to understand that I am held to be innocent the same way the two men in San Quentin are innocent, that they are simply members of the group and had not done anything themselves to warrant their arrest.

"They apparently were part of an intelligence unit and have never executed anyone themselves. The SLA has declared war against the government and it's important that you understand that they know what they're doing and they understand what their actions mean.

". . . And that you realize that this is not considered by them to be just a simple kidnaping and that you don't treat it that way and say 'Oh, I don't know why she was taken.'

"I'm telling you now why this happened so that you will know and so that you'll have something to use, some knowledge to try to get me out of here.

"If you can get the food thing organized before the 19th, then that's Okay and it would just speed up my release.

"Today is Friday the eighth and in Kuwait the commandos negotiated the release of their hostages and they left the country."

"Bye."

The people, the two men in San Quentin are being held and are going to be tried simply because they are members of the SLA and not because they've done anything.

"Witnesses to the shooting of Foster saw black men. And two white men have been arrested for this. You're being told this so that you'll understand why I was kidnaped and so that

SLA's Possible Origin

The style and rhetoric of the Symbionese Liberation Army may have been borrowed from a thriller-type novel about an uprising in Chicago's black ghetto.

The novel, "The Spook Who Sat By the Door," was written in 1969 by Mam Greenlee and concerns a small, armed commando unit called the Cobras.

The symbol of the SLA is a seven-headed cobra.

The book mentions the relatively obscure term "symbiology," which may have been adapted by the East Bay underground group. The root word is "symbiosis," a biological — and sometimes psychological — term for separate organisms living together comfortably.

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of this alliance pact and compromising with the enemy and the freedom and life of the people and children and therefore is punishable by death.

TO THOSE WHO WOULD BEAR THE HOPES
AND FUTURE OF THE PEOPLE, LET THE
VOICE OF THEIR GUNS EXPRESS THE WORDS
OF FREEDOM.

Gen. Field Marshall
CIN
S.L.A.

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TACTICAL SUPPORT UNITS

Each cell of The S.L.A. TACTICAL SUPPORT UNITS is composed of elements of other organizations and groups and individuals. Under the strategy of The S.L.A. it is totally impossible to follow the egotistic aspirations of many leaders of political organizations, since they continue to organize new organizations everytime one falls apart, when they fail to understand that the people always organize to fight the enemy; and when leaders fail to start the fight, then the people fall from that organization.

To continue in this manner is totally reactionary, egotistic, opportunist and anti-revolutionary, since to do so only allows for the continued grouping and regrouping of the same revolutionary people for the fight that never comes and with the only purpose of organizing.

This is totally anti-revolutionary for within the true purpose of revolution there is only TWO DEEP PURPOSES: TO DESTROY THE ENEMY AND FREE THE PEOP-

PLE. This in itself means the need for an army of the people that fights the enemy.

In order to organize, one must organize in support of something, one does not organize in support of having or belonging to or just to organize, but rather one must have a purpose to organize around, and since in revolution it is the purpose to organize to fight the enemy and to support those that fight on the front lines, it is then clear that the people organize to fight and destroy the enemy. They do not organize to fight the enemy and then when it comes time to fight, claim that to fight the enemy will endanger the organization for this would show them to be lovers of positions and the organization and not true revolutionaries that love the people and children.

Since you as members of the people have organized to fight the enemy, for the reason that you are and do love the people, then it is clear to you where your true responsibility is, and that is to join and support those who are in the front lines fighting the enemy for us all, regardless of what color, group or organization they belong to, for the people are just this, they are not or organization or color or group, they are the oppressed, exploited and the murdered, they are those we love and for whom we, if needed are willing to die for, they are our children.

Therefore what is needed now is for you as lovers of the people to select in what area you are able and willing to fight in or give support to, either in the combat units or support units of The S.L.A., the choice is yours alone: to be and show yourself as lovers of the people and our children and true to your word revolutionaries or as egotistic opportunists and lovers of the group and organization and enemies of the people.

Hearst Response to Tape

He Says He'll Do All He Can

By Kevin Wallace

"The important thing for us is that Patty is safe," Randolph Hearst told the army of media reporters at his front door yesterday, moments after his kidnaped daughter's taped voice was broadcast over the radio.

As to the difficult demands for a massive "gesture of good faith" set forth in the kidnapers' taped message, he said without a flicker of hesitation, "Certainly we'll do everything within our power to comply."

Later in the day, at the same spot, a relative and spokesman, Jack Cooke, said the family was already at work on those efforts, studying the complex terms, and giving "consideration to every demand."

Cooke said agencies and institutions involved in the massive food-distribution program — specified by the kidnapers as the "gesture of good faith" — would be contacted for discussions about the demands.

He noted that the taped message "did give Mr. Hearst several days to react to the demand — till a week from now.

"In the ensuing days, there will be a diligent effort made to determine if complete compliance is in his jurisdiction," Cooke said.

While the Hearsts were listening to the taped message broadcast inside their Hillsborough home, reporters and camera men in the yard listened over their



By Barney Peterson

Hearst clasped wife's hand as he announced letter from kidnapers

transistor radios.

Immediately upon conclusion of the broadcast, Hearst emerged through the front door, accompanied by his wife, Catherine.

As she had done on so many previous appearances there in the preceding week, Mrs. Hearst stood silent and controlled beside her husband, her left hand in his right hand, and her right hand crossed over to touch his right wrist.

As usual, Hearst was grave and plainspoken in

responding to questions.

Asked if he would request the FBI to cease its work on the kidnaping, he replied that he could not control a government agency, but added:

"I'd like to assure these people that nobody's going to go rushing up to some house and start shooting — and I have been assured by the FBI that their first concern is for Patricia's safety."

At the later briefing by Cooke, a reporter asked how

the media could help in the new situation. Cooke answered:

"You read and heard the SLA communication. As closely as you can comply with the demands as they pertain to you would be helpful."

Rain showers through the day sent the media crew scurrying to shelter in the Hearst garage and in their cars and vans parked along the tree-lined street.

But phone company crews — personnel from four company vans, a cherry-picker and a huge mobile transmission truck — ignored the rain, scrambling through the pine boughs, setting up a coaxial cable and microwave relay, for CBS to make live telecasts from the front yard.

The media were settling in for a long stay.

Stampede for the News At KPFA in Berkeley

By Patrick Murphy

Berkeley's new city manager, John Taylor was all set to meet the press at the City Hall at 2100 Grove street at 9:30 a.m. yesterday.

Suddenly, the press bolted out the door.

Four minutes earlier the word had been flashed to the press room at the Berkeley Police Department that radio station KPFA had received a communication from the Symbionese Liberation Army about the kidnaping of Patricia Hearst.

A television network reporter had been told there that Patricia's father, publisher Randolph A. Hearst, had told newsmen at his Hillsborough home that KPFA had just received a letter from the SLA.

The police department press room emptied within seconds for the three-block sprint to the radio station at Allston way and Shattuck avenue.

Sixty-three reporters and cameramen gathered outside KPFA. They waited until about 10 a.m., when the station's news director, Paul Fischer, let them in.

The contingent went up a narrow stairway to the second floor and crowded into a 12-by-12 foot studio to listen to the reading of the SLA's long statement, and a cassette containing a tape recording of Miss Hearst's voice.

When a tape recording of her voice was heard, a forest of microphones reached up to a speaker high on the wall in a corner of the studio.

There was a silent tension, broken only once, when



PAUL FISCHER, KPFA NEWS DIRECTOR
He read the SLA communication

"Field Marshall Chin" pronounced "coup" as "coop".

Then there were a few snickers.

But generally there was only quiet activity, and the sounds were those of cameras whirring, and Fischer's voice.

After about 50 minutes in the hot, crowded room, the message ended.

About half the reporters left hurriedly, hunting for telephones.

The others waited for the station to make a sufficient number of Xerox copies of the SLA's statement, and for the making of three copies of the tape recording.

The three copies were given to ABC, NBC and CBS. The networks later made their own copies for their affiliate stations, both radio and TV. The station also made other copies for the rest of the media.

The Complete

This is the full text of the ransom letter received yesterday in the Patricia Hearst kidnaping:

A.

We have heard it said that Mr. Hearst wants to save his daughter, we want to save all the children and people. In an effort to answer some of the basic needs of the people, we are asking for a symbolic gesture of good faith from this representative of the corporate state. Each person with one of the following cards is to be given \$70.00 worth of meats, vegetables, and dairy products: all people with welfare cards, social security pension cards, food stamp cards, disabled veteran cards, medical cards, parole or probation papers, and jail or bail release slip. So that all those with such cards have time, and will not be forced to stand waiting in long lines, the time for the distribution of this food must extend over a four week period, beginning February 19th. On each Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday for four successive weeks, each person with one of the listed cards can go to publicized stores and pick up their food.

1. The stores where people can go are to be clearly designated and publicized in each of the communities listed below, and they are to be within easy access to the people of those communities. There must be at least 5 stores as distribution points within each community; these distribution points should be major stores within the community, we suggest such stores as Safeway and Mayfair.

2. The meat, vegetables, and dairy products must be of top quality, and in ample supply during all store hours.

3. TO THE PEOPLE: If you are not receiving your food, all you have to do is voice your discontent in the streets, at bus stops, movie theatres, etc. and we will hear about it. Also anyone facing any interference from the police state in the way of harassment should voice their discontent. The people's army calls upon community groups such as Nairobi College in East Palo Alto, Glide Memorial Church in San Francisco, and The Black Teachers Caucus, The National Welfare Rights Organization, United Farm Workers, AIM, Third World Womens Alliance, United Prisoner's Union, as well as representatives from people's

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news services such as Getting Together, Kalayan, Triple Jeopardy, Black Panther Party, The Anvil, and others to act as observers and coordinators to see to it that the aged and disabled receive their food and ways to transport it and shop for it, AND to see to it that NO police-state agents, in or out of uniform, are allowed to be in the areas of food distribution or photograph or harass the people.

4. Stores in each of the following cities or communities are to serve as distribution points: San Francisco (Mission District, Chinatown, Hunters Point, The Fillmore), Oakland (East and West), Richmond, East Palo Alto, Delano, Santa Rosa, Los Angeles (Watts, Compton, East Los Angeles).

B.

1. The document showing the emblem and meaning of the seven-headed cobra that is in the possession of police state authorities shall be placed in newspapers and other forms of the media in its exact form, not omitting any area.

2. The document that is enclosed regarding the declaration of war and the goals of The S.L.A. shall also be placed in its total form in newspapers and other forms of the media.

3. A copy of all these stated documents, along with a full copy of the tape enclosed recorded by myself and Pat Hearst is to be distributed to the media for publication.

4. The news media is warned that all attempts to mislead the public concerning the intentions of The S.L.A., or to confuse the public by withholding or omitting sections of the tape of S.L.A. documents, jeopardizes the prisoner.

IF THIS GESTURE OF GOOD FAITH IS NOT MET THEN WE WILL ASSUME THAT THERE IS NO BASIS FOR NEGOTIATIONS; AND WE WILL NO LONGER TAKE AND MAINTAIN IN GOOD HEALTH AND SPIRITS PRISONERS OF WAR.

S.L.A.

Symbionese

This is the complete text of the "Declaration of Revolutionary War" that accompanied the ransom letter received yesterday in the Patricia Hearst kidnaping case:

THE SYMBIONESE FEDERATION & THE SYMBIONESE LIBERATION ARMY DECLARATION OF REVOLUTIONARY WAR & THE SYMBIONESE PROGRAM

AUGUST 21, 1973

The Symbionese Federation and The Symbionese Liberation Army is a united and federated grouping of members of different races and people and socialist political parties of the oppressed people of The Fascist United States of America, who have under black and minority leadership formed and joined The Symbionese Federated Republic and have agreed to struggle together in behalf of all their people and races and political parties interest in the gaining of FREEDOM and SELF DETERMINATION and INDEPENDANCE for all their people and races.

The Symbionese Federation is NOT A GOVERNMENT, but rather it is a united and federated formation of members of different races and political parties who have agreed to struggle in a UNITED FRONT for the independance and self determination of each of their races and people and The Liquidation of the Common Enemy.

And who by this federated formation represent their future and independant pre-governments and nations of their people and races. The Symbionese Federation is NOT A PARTY, but rather it is a Federation, for its members are made up of members of all political parties and organizations and races of all the most oppressed people of this fascist nation, thereby forming unity and the full representation of the interests of all the people.

The Symbionese Liberation Army is an army of the people, and is made up of members of all the people. The S.L.A. has no political power or political person over it that dictates who will fight and die if needed for the freedom of our people and children, but does not risk their life or fight too for our freedom, but rather the S.L.A. is both political and military in that in the S.L.A. the army officer, whether female or male is also the political officer and they both are the daughters and sons of the people and they both fight as well as speak for the freedom of our people and children.

The Symbionese Federation and The Symbionese Liberation Army is made up of the aged, youth and women and men of all races and people. The name Symbionese is taken from the word symbiosis and we define its meaning as a body of dissimilar bodies and organisms living in deep and loving harmony and partnership in the best interest of all within the body.

We of the Symbionese Federation and The S.L.A. define ourselves by this name because it states that we are no

longer willing to allow the enemy of all our people and children to murder, oppress and exploit us nor define us by color and thereby maintain division among us, but rather have joined together under black and minority leadership in behalf of all our different races and people to build a better and new world for our children and people's future. We are a United Front and Federated Coalition of members from the Asian, Black, Brown, Indian, White, Women, Grey and Gay Liberation Movements.

Who have all come to see and understand that only if we unite and build our new world and future, will there really be a future for our children and people. We of the People and not the ruling capitalist class, will build a new world and system. Where there is really freedom and a true meaning to justice and equality for all women and men of all races and people, and an end to the murder and oppression, exploitation of all people.

We of the Symbionese Federation and The S.L.A. are the children of all oppressed people, who have decided to redefine ourselves as a Symbionese Race and People. Yet, recognizing the rich cultures of each and enforcing our rights to existence of our many cultures within a united federation of independent and sovereign nations, each of them flourishing and protected by its own laws and codes of self determination.

We are of many colors, but yet of one mind, for we all in history's time on this earth have become part of each other in suffering and in mind, and have agreed that the murder, oppression and exploitation of our children and people must end now, for we all have seen the murder, oppression and exploitation of our people for too long under the hand of the same enemy and class of people and under the same system.

Knowing this, the Symbionese Federation and The S.L.A. know that our often murderous alienation from each other aids and is one of the fundamental strengths behind the ruling capitalist class's ability to murder and oppress us all. By not allowing them to define us by color, and also recognizing that by refusing ourselves to also internalize this false division definition, knowing that in mind and body we are facing the same enemy and that we are all comrades of one people, the murdered and oppressed, we are now able to become a united people under the Symbionese Federation and make true the words of our codes of unity that TO DIE A PACE, AND BE BORN A NATION, IS TO BECOME FREE.

Therefore, we of the Symbionese Federation and the S.L.A. DO NOT under the rights of human beings submit

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to the murder, oppression and exploitation of our children and people and do under the rights granted to the people under the Declaration of Independence of The United States, do now by the rights of our children and people and by Force of Arms and with every drop of our blood, Declare Revolutionary War against the Fascist Capitalist Class, and all their agents of murder, oppression and ex-

ploitation. We support by Force of Arms the just struggles of all oppressed people for self determination and independence within the United States and The World. And hereby offer to all liberation movements, revolutionary workers groups, and peoples organizations our total aid and support for the struggle for freedom and justice for all people and races. We call upon all revolutionary black and other oppressed people within the Fascist United States to come together and join The Symbionese Federation and fight in the forces of The Symbionese Liberation Army.

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THE GOALS OF THE SYMBIONESE LIBERATION ARMY

1. To unite all oppressed people into a fighting force and to destroy the system of the capitalist state and all its value systems. To create in its place a system and sovereign nations that are in the total interest of all its races, and people, based on the true affirmation of life, love, trust, and honesty, freedom and equality that is truly for all.

2. To assure the rights of all people to self determination and the rights to build their own nation and government, with representatives that have shown through their actions to be in the interest of their people. To give the right to all people to select and elect their own representatives and governments by direct vote.

3. To build a people's federated council, who will be a male and female of each People's Council or Sovereign Nation of The Symbionese Federation of Nations, who shall be the representatives of their nations in the forming of trade packs and unified defense against any external enemy that may attack any of the free nations of the federation and to form other aids to each others' needs.

4. To aid and defend the cultural rights of all the sovereign nations of The Symbionese Federation, and to aid each nation in the building of educational and other institutions to meet and serve this need for its people.

5 — To place the control of all the institutions and industries, of each nation into the hands of its people. To aid sovereign nations of the federation to build nations where work contributes concretely to the full interest and needs of its workers and the communal interest of its communities and its people and the mutual interest of all within the federation of nations.

6 — To aid and defend the rights of all oppressed people to build nations which do not institute oppression and exploitation, but rather does institute the environment of freedom and defends that freedom on all levels and for all of the people, and by any means necessary.

7 — To give back to all people their human and constitutional rights, liberty, equality and justice and the right to bear arms in the defense of these rights.

8 — To create a system where our aged are cared for with respect, love, and kindness and aided and encouraged to become assets in their own ways to their nations and to their communal community. That the life that moves around them is not a frightening and murderous one and where life is not a fear, but rather one of love and feeling and of unity.

9—To create a system and laws that will neither force people into nor force them to stay into personal relationships that they do not wish to be in, and to destroy all chains instituted by legal and social laws of the capitalist state which acts as a reinforcing system to maintain this form of imprisonment.

10—To create institutions that will aid, reinforce and educate the growth of our comrade women and aid them in making a new true and better role to live in life and in the defining of themselves as a new and free people.

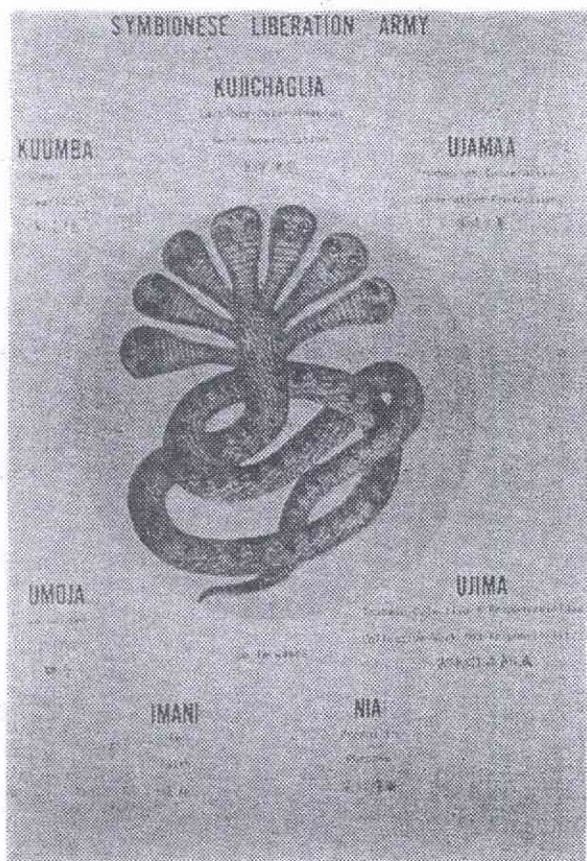
11—To create new forms of life and relationships that bring true meanings of love to people's relationships, and to form communes on the community level and bring the children of the community into being the responsibility of the community, to place our children in the union of real comradeship and in the care and loving interest of the revolutionary community.

12—To destroy the prison system, which the capitalist state has used to imprison the oppressed and exploited, and thereby destroy the love, unity, and hopes of millions of lives and families. And to create in its place a system of comradeship and that of group unity and education on a communal and revolutionary level within the community, to bring home our daughters and sons, and sisters and brothers, fathers and mothers and welcome them home with love and a new revolutionary comradeship of unity.

13—To take control of all state land and that of the capitalist class and to give back the land to the people. To form laws and codes that safeguard that no person can own the land, or sell the land, but rather the nations' people own the land and use it for their needs and interest to live. No one can own or sell the air, the sky, the water, the trees, the birds, the sun, for all of this world belongs to the people of this earth.

14—To take controls of all buildings and apartment buildings of the capitalist class and fascist government and then to totally destroy the rent system of exploitation.

15—To build a federation of nations, who shall formulate programs and unions of actions and interests that will destroy the capitalist value system and its other anti-human institutions and who will be able to do this by meeting all the basic needs of all of the people and their nations. For they will be all able to do this because each nation will have full control of all of its industries and institutions and



The symbol of the Symbionese Liberation Army

UMOJA—LA UNIDAD—UNITY — To strive for and maintain unity in our household, our nation and in The Symbionese Federation.

KUJICHAGULIA—LA LIBRE DETERMINACION—SELF-DETERMINATION — To define ourselves, name ourselves, speak for ourselves and govern ourselves.

UJIMA—TRABAJO COLECTIVO Y RESPONSABILIDAD—COLLECTIVE WORK AND RESPONSIBILITY — To build and maintain our nation and the federation together by making our brothers' and sisters' and the Federation's problems our problems and solving them together.

UJAMAA — PRODUCCION COOPERATIVA — COOPERATIVE PRODUCTION — To build and maintain our own economy from our skills, and labor and resources and to insure ourselves and other nations that we all profit equally from our labor.

NIA—PROPOSITO—PURPOSE — To make as our collective vocation the development and liberation of our nation, and all oppressed people, in order to restore our people and all oppressed people to their traditional greatness and humanity.

KUUMBA—CREATIVO—CREATIVITY — To do all we can, as best we can, in order to free our nation and defend the federation and constantly make it and the earth that we all share more beautiful and beneficial.

IMANI—Fe—FAITH — To believe in our unity, our leaders, our teachers, our people, and in the righteousness and victory of our struggle and the struggle of all oppressed and exploited people.

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THE UNITED SYMBIONESE WAR COUNCIL TERMS OF MILITARY/POLITICAL ALLIANCE

Our commitment to the revolutionary struggle for self-determination for all oppressed people and races and the international proletarian revolution is total and fully uncompromisable. Therefore, any relationship the Symbionese War Council has with any group or organization is based on their active military/political commitment to the goal of gaining freedom for all oppressed people and races.

1. — Our alliance with any group or organization is based upon their firm decision to fight as well as talk in behalf of the people's interest, and once this commitment is clear then we can come together in order to:

- 1) collectively develop a common strategy
- 2) work together to develop tactical co-ordination
- 3) Assist each other in developing the abilities and talents of all the members of the Symbionese War Council and to analyze the strengths and weaknesses of the leadership in order to constantly better all aspects of the ability and actions of the War Council, and its individual leadership from other organizations.

2. — Command positions of The War Council are subject to the approval of all members of the council, based upon the military/political thinking and ability of the presented officer to work with others in the interest of freedom for all people and races.

3. — Command positions in The War Council are not

does not run them for profit, but in the full interest of all the people of its nation.

16—To destroy all forms and institutions of Racism, Sexism, Ageism, Capitalism, Fascism, Individualism, Possessiveness, Competiveness and all other such institutions that have made and sustained capitalism and the capitalist class system that has oppressed and exploited all of the people of our history.

By this means and the mutual aid and unity of each nation within The Symbionese Federation, will each nation be able to provide to each person and couple and family free of cost the five basic needs of life, which are food, health care, housing, education and clothing, and in this way allowing people to be able to find and form new values and new systems of relationships and interests based on a new meaning to life and love

IF THE QUEST FOR FREEDOM IS DEATH
THEN BY THE DEATH OF THE ENEMY WILL
BLACK AND OTHER OPPRESSED PEOPLE
FIND AND REGAIN THEIR FREEDOM

TO THOSE WHO WOULD BEAR THE HOPES
AND FUTURE OF OUR PEOPLE, LET THE
VOICE OF THEIR GUNS EXPRESS THE WORDS
OF FREEDOM.

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appointed by one who knows, ones sex, ones color or by the group or organization one belongs to, but only by ones Courage, Determination, Intelligence, Aggressive Initiative and Capability as a leader and ones Military/Political thinking.

4. — All members of The War Council are expected and fully are responsible for the military/political leadership of The S.L.A., they must fight and speak for the people and this must be understood clearly by all members.

5. — No member of The War Council can elect or select himself or herself to a position such as the head of a government or people's council; the War Council is totally an alliance OF WAR AGAINST THE COMMON ENEMY. The people themselves shall have and hold the ONLY RIGHT to select and elect their governments and government heads of state.

6. — It is NOT the policy of The War Council to rip off leadership or membership from other organizations, but rather it is the policy of The War Council to aid and support the development and education of leadership to fulfill truly its responsibility to the people, and to allow the collective intelligence, leadership and resourcefulness of the leadership from different organizations and groups to flourish together and grow together; thereby forming an area where the collective interests and needs as well as weaknesses and strengths of each can benefit each IN THE COMMON STRUGGLE TO LIQUIDATE THE COMMON ENEMY.

7. — A successful military force is a necessity for actualizing political goals and must therefore be held as a priority; therefore, the true assistance in the supplying of military equipment, materials, finances, personal is of the utmost importance, once these forces have fully committed themselves to open and total warfare against the common

enemy and members of The War Council must understand this clearly.

8.—Leadership of any group or organization who is truly committed and in agreement with the goals of The S.L.A. and the terms of military/political alliance may be presented to The War Council; however, the presented officer's membership is not confirmed until it is verified that prior to presentation for membership a combat action has been taken part in by that group or organization within the last 12 months.

9.—Once The War Council collectively agrees to an action or plan of strategy then that action shall be understood as an action of The S.L.A., and not of any single group or organization. Just as the fingers cannot call themselves a fist, and the fist cannot call itself the fingers. From time to time the membership on The War Council may disagree upon a particular action or strategy. When in disagreement, that particular membership need not participate in The S.L.A. action, but membership on The War Council is maintained only as long as all commitments made to the collective Symbionese War Council are continued to be fully adhered to. It is the disagreeing group or organization's responsibility to, on its own, prove out their ideas in order to change or modify its own or the collective War Council's direction.

10.—It is the policy of The War Council not to involve itself in the internal political affairs of disagreements that may result within different organizations or groups. However, The War Council recognizes and accepts membership to the Council of any military/political unit, cell or organization that qualifies and shall recognize them as true representatives of that particular organization or group. It is the collective policy of The War Council that the failure of the elected leadership to take her or his revolutionary responsibility as far as the War Council is concerned shall be totally the responsibility of the elected leader and not that of The War Council.

11.—Organizations or groups that wish to serve in combat units must select two persons, one female and one male (if possible), who have full responsibility and authority to act and represent their group or organization and who will hold a command position in the unified command of The United Symbionese War Council.

12.—All members of The Symbionese War Council must clearly understand that our commitment is total and our goal is the total freedom of the people and children and the destroying totally of the common enemy. Therefore, it is held that any restraining of supplies or other war materials, etc. for political reasons or reactionary reasons or political chess games with the enemy, by any officer or other persons in the War Council that by its actions endangers the lives of the women and men of The Symbionese Liberation Army shall be held as a full and total violation

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