NATIONAL ALLIANCE AGAINST RACIST & POLITICAL REPRESSION

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Just so that there will not be any confusion, the above designation "OKC" is the FAA designation for Oklahoma City. In the aftermath of the great tragedy at OKC, it is interesting to observe some of the action on the part of this country and some

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seemed to be a classic case of

America at its worst! We have

of its opinion shapers. As you will remember when the bomb first went off, there was a wild and mad scramble to blame it on "olive-skinned Middle Eastern appearing males." CNN, NBC, ABC, etc., all trotted out their "Middle Eastern Experts" and proceeded to give the rational and the thinking behind... why

some Middle Eastern Groups must have done this terrible deed? Everyone was to be blamed,

even the Honorable Louis Farrakhan. There was no thought to this. There was just a knee jerk reaction. In the same way that there was a knee jerk reaction when Ms. Smith of South Carolina claimed that a black man had kidnapped her children. Just as in that case, it turned out to be somewhat closer to home than folks thought. In Ms. Smith's case, she murdered her own children. In the case of the Oklahoma tragedy it was done by no other than an all-American, clean shaven, Neo-Facist, militia belonging, white

While there is talk that the United States government and all of its repressive agencies will now come down on the ultraright, psuedo Nazi groups such as the Michigan Militia, the Skin Heads, etc., there has been no reaction but just talk, and you can believe that there will be no action. Example: Brain dead,



JAMES S. TATE JR., MD challenged individuals such as G. Gordon Liddy (an already convicted felon), can come on the air waves and say that he puts up targets of the president and his wife and shoots at them; when that elicits no midnight raid on G. Gordon Liddy's house, there is something wrong. For those of you with long memories, you will remember that 2 years ago, yours truly only said... "that those who wanted to go out and shoot at Metropolitan police officers were being somewhat suicidal, but if they felt that was what they had to do, then go right ahead..." For that relatively benign comment, your's truly had a \$10,000 price tag place on his (See NAARPR Report, Pa 23)

In the aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing, if the senseless killing of innocent women and children isn't sickening enough, we are relearning some surprising things about ourselves and our country. Such as the mentality of the persons and factions believed to be responsible, including Timothy McVeigh, the main person facing criminal charges for committing the bombing.

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On face value it might appear to be a stretch of the imagination, but would you believe that race plays a definitive role in the whole sordid affair?

Before l'explain why, first let's think back to the time when this country was in its infancy. After America declared independence from England, it didn't take Blacks very long to find out the hard way (as slaves) that constitutional guarantees did not apply to us.

In post-slavery times, at first it was just militant Blacks who were saying publicly that the Constitution was written for Whites only. Now, in modern day America, its commonly accepted by even your average, everyday Black person that we don't enjoy the same benefits, life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, that people of other races do in this country. If we did, why did there have to be so many amendments to the original Constitution, and why have so many laws been passed to "give" us what we should have had in the first place? And why, after all the legal maneuvering. are we still not equal?

So it came as no surprise, in the wake of the Oklahoma City bombing, that the person or persons responsible are members of an ultraconservative, militant group of White survivalists, who hate Blacks. Members of these groups are known to be fine, upstanding citizens, just like our founding fathers who adopted the Constitution. And, just like our original freedom fighters, the so-called 1990s version of the American Patriot will tell you without blinking an eye that the Constitution does not guarantee Black people anything - and besides, African Americans are not welcome here.

Little wonder that survivalist groups make their home base in predominately White rural areas in the mid- and northwestern regions of the country.

But it runs much deeper than intentionally moving to an area where few or no Blacks live. I saw a piece on one of the network television station newsmagazine shows recently profiling White extremist paramilitary groups such as the one accused Oklahoma City bomber Tim McVeigh belonged to. One segment characterized the bizarre yet simple method they use to tell if a person is Black, Jewish or a member of another minority race. The test is called, "blood in the face." The way the test is administered is by giving someone an open-handed slap in the face. When slapped brusquely, if a person blushes and his cheeks redden, this supposedly indicates the person is White. If a person's cheeks do not turn red when he is slapped, he flunks the test.

Consider the warped mentality a person must have to actually slap a person in the face to tell if he is Black or White. Does this sound like a sane person to you? I think not.

You probably know of the controversial yet popular rap group Public Enemy. Remember their '90s era CD "Fear of a Black Planet?" This album takes you on a hypothetical musical journey through the mind of a White person who is fearful of being overtaken politically, numerically, socially and (See Ray Willis, Page 4)

most death row inmates being As we all watched the tragedy black, you can believe once the unfold recently in Oklahoma, it lynchings start, blacks will die 10

the crime itself, which was obviously a revolting and savage Then, of course, we have the vigilante police forces out to find a killer at all costs. Now we don't just understand the racist overtone of actions of this type, I think as black Americans, we view any government viewpoint,

historically, with a grain of salt. Remember, at first, the Feds wanted to say the bombing was the work of a nation of color. White America wanted to believe Middle Easterners, Asians, or blacks, had done this deed. With this racist viewpoint faded away, the government clearly had falsely accused (as usual) a race of color.

Now if anyone should believe that right-wing racist militia members want war with America it should be me. But, EVEN I KNOW how this government has acted, historically, when it comes to setting up groups.

Hey, if the white boy blew up all those people and was a racist on top of all that, I feel he should be held accountable. But I think it is ridiculous for the president to ask for the death penalty. First, he doesn't know who did the bombing, and secondly, with Anyway, my main point is.

even I believe in innocent till proven guilty. America always rushes to judge and convict innocent people. That is proven history. The FBI followed Dr. King, tapped his phones, labeled him a communist, and Hoover had him on his top 10 subversive

Malcolm, the Nation, the Panthers, and many other freedom groups have had their organizations infiltrated and sabatoged by discriminating government operators. Any time there is a national tragedy and there is a group the government can put the blame on, you just better hope they don't pull your name out of the hat!

Oswald killed the president of the USA all by himself with hundreds of secret service members around? Be real! James Ray killed MLK with no plan or help from others? Malcolm's murderers didn't have help or weren't in connection with powerful forces? It's always the same. No matter who did this act, you can believe the government is going to have its witch hunt.

Someone is going to be lynched. Ifeel sorry for the white (See Westside Story, Page 23)

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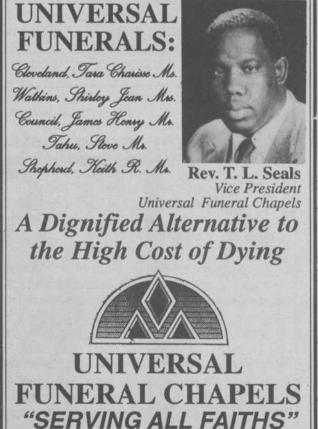
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