

Thursday, August 18, 2016

Dear Dabette,

I write this emergency letter in a weakened state ^{for me} and Delean. Presently, and for most of this week, we have been under retaliatory attack by our wardens as a direct consequence of our political efforts to hunger strike (which we continue to do) to force an end to prolonged Administrative Confinement, and by extension all forms of solitary confinement that is excessive.

The actions (described below) of the officials, now that they know that the public is somewhat distracted from our struggle in terms of the energy level in which it initially engaged in in June and July, have now taken a dangerous turn to push us to within inches of our life and/or health in effort to break our strike. What follows is the most egregious of several tactics they have unleashed in aim to break our lawful strike. We are weakened and unable to do alot of waiting and, thus, are relying exclusively upon you to not only get the word out among your rabid listenership, but also to pass the word on the relevant social media sites to our friends as well as contact the folks at Inhab, IWOC, Wisdom, Peg Swan, Bernie Gonzales,

and all other concerned persons and groups. We are requesting that a phone-zap, E-Mail zap, letters, etc... be organized to bombard the individual DOC officials referred to below about their nefarious and insidious actions with regard to our health. First, I will prep what I'm about to explain by saying that at this very moment these officials have stood by while we and DeLeon have gone 71 continuous hours without any fluids, and they ~~are~~ ^{were} well aware of this, and of the fact of our commitment to legally do what we are peacefully doing, i.e. demonstrate our conditions of confinement. Thousands of people in Wisconsin and throughout the country are aware of our commitment, i.e. the conviction at which we are committed to this fight. Thus, ^{does also} all persons concerned, including the court and the DOC officials. DeLeon and I have demonstrated more than once that we are serious; we have endured the crucible of validation.

On June 7, 2016, we began the hunger strike. On June 17, 2016, we were both diagnosed with moderate to severe dehydration and malnutrition. The officials of their own

accord (not ours) chose to seek and did obtain court orders to temporarily force feed us. On June 22, 2016, 5 days later, the doctor suspended the force feeding of me and DeLeon at which he and I commenced our no food and no water intake. Within 48 hours, 42 hrs later to be exact, we were again diagnosed with serious dehydration due to no water intake. Thus, on June 24, 2016, the force feeding and hydration recommenced until Monday, August 15, 2016, when several WCI and DOC medical officials decided "to have a meeting" concerning me and DeLeon. The following is what was written by Dr. Manlove, the WCI attending physician, in my medical "Progress Notes" about this meeting:

"8/15/16...

- A- Ongoing hunger strike
 - P- After meeting with BHS Medical Director as well as Palamedes and HSLU manager it was decided to suspend tube feeding for now. It is free to receive PO intake or continue HS.
 - Will monitor closely
- Manlove"

Brian Foster
 Doctor of WCI

her name is Emily Stalder Miller

Babette, the following described the actions taken and best reveals the contents and the results of said meeting: As mentioned above the tube force feeding and hydration

of De Leon said I ^{was} suspended on 8/15/16 at 4:30 p.m., which was the last feeding we received at that point. Again, the officials here know that De Leon and I are committed to no food & water intake. About 42 hrs later on Wednesday 8/17/16, at about 9 a.m., a nurse ~~examined~~ ^{examined} us and it was noted that we both had de facto signs of dehydration (note: previously (as stated on p.3 herein) we were diagnosed as seriously dehydrated, and the tube feeding was then recommended) but this time they made us both go exactly 30 more ^(42 + 30) hours to exactly 72 hours each! 72 hours without water is a well known and medically held time limit that would and is generally believed to kill ^{most} people. This morning (the 3rd day at about the 61st hour) they took our blood and urine (labs) and we saw the doctor at around 2 p.m., after which he ordered reinstatement of the force feeding and hydration. At the exact time they inserted the nasal tube into my nose (4:30 p.m.) is the exact time I was force feed and hydrated 3 days earlier.

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And 3 days earlier, and for several weeks before that
time, we and De least were receiving 3 cans of Ensure
and 3 cans of water with each feeding.

Beginning today (at the 72 hour marker) the doctor
had taken ~~one~~ can Ensure and ~~one~~ can of water, so
that now we only receive 2 and 2. The point
is that they did all of this to retaliate and to
punish us. They also intentionally withheld nutrients
to within inches of our health or life - figuratively
speaking. And that said force feeding tore up
both of our stomachs, i.e. gave us the runs due
to the stress and ordeal that our bodies had
gone through, they kind of reacted as if they
had been poisoned when said fluids were eventually
forced into the stomach. (*)

Note: then we said to no to respond to be rejected
by saying that they were giving us
order but they didn't
order

I received both cards you sent me. Please see
if you can get our supporters to respond to this
abuse, or they will be doing this frequently. They
should not be allowed to play w/ the stability
of our health since the State/DOC won't let



us starve to death (being against the law), and they⁶ claim to be protecting our ~~held~~ health and have assured the public that that's what they are doing.

This is the 3rd time that we have had to be baptized with fire so to speak, and have had to prove via ordeal that we are serious about our strike and our right, protected right, to do it. They have tried to torture us into submission - twice - after we have prior to that established that we were determined. We need a rapid and organized response from the supporters out there, or they will devise another diabolical trick soon. Please see what you can do...

It would have been nice to hear your voice when I was on the phone w/ Gary but you were asleep. I'll write more soon. Spread this word far because we are recovering ~~at~~ ^{and} are not able to do a lot of writing for a while.

With Love & Peace,

Always - Labor

P.S. Will write again soon.
Thanks for the 2 cards.