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Events of the last two days at the site of Kawaida Towers should make it abundantly clear that A. Temple of Kawaida, is determined to build at the Lincoln Ave site, and B. AntiPlack forces, spearheaded by Anthony Imperiale and The Tactical Police Unite of the Newark Police Department, will go to any extreme of mindlessness and insanity to oppose this legally sanctioned project.

The physical attacks on members of Temple of Kawaida on Thursday were led, by policemen, as well as the "garfones" in Imperiale's mob. We have already released the badge numbers of the policemen participating in this mob action. We have already made this information available to Mayor Gibson and Police Director Kerr, and expect some appropriate action. These kinds of policemen, who are the well advertised enemies of the Black and Puerto Rican community should be suspended from all police service. It is fortunate that all the major communications media, both electronic and newspaper, got full records of this classic example of police racism and brutality. The Temple of Kawaida also made its own videotaped record of this police breaking of the law. All this information will serve to demonstrate in the courts the collusion and conspiracy between Anthony Imperiale's goons and the goons of the Tactical Police Force. Both Inspector

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Zizza and Inspector Henry, the men in charge of policemen at the site are well known racists in the Black community. Zizza in particular has long been a specific enemy of Temple of Kawaïda advocates, and the members of the Committee for Unified NewArk, because he believes we were an important part of the community agitation that led to his transfer out of the old fourth Precinct in favor of a Black Captain Eddie Williams.

Yesterday's ruling in the courts by Judge Kimmelman that that NewArk city council's move to rescind was "unsubstantial lacking in substance and without merit" demonstrates once again the solid legal ground upon which Kawaïda Towers stands.

It now only remains for this same judge to determine that the enemies of social progress cannot remain obstructions illegally to the building of badly needed housing. We hope that more violence will not have to break out at the site before the Judge rules that the pickets must be moved a reasonable distance from the site. We hope that no more blatant and public episodes of police violence will have to erupt before the Police Director takes firm stands against the KuKluxKlan like attacks tactical force policemen made against responsible members of the Black community. They make these same attacks daily in less publicized escapades against black people and puerto ricans that often result in loss of life. They have maimed two members of the Temple of Kawaïda, and have the nazi like arrogance to arrest young black men for assaults that they themselves are guilty of. Mayor Gibson and Police Director Kerr must sieze control of the police department or all law and order in this city are doomed. Black

people will not again be subjected to the madness of the lawless band of hoodlums called the Tactical Squad. These exposed enemies of the black and puerto rican community must be suspended from the police force. Work on Kawaida Towers cannot be disrupted again by violent police conspiracies with racists.

It has been announced several times by the Gargone, Imperiale ... that the Teamsters will not cross his illegal picket lines. And again we remind the Teamsters that they represent 3000 Black people of the hospital workers, security guards and maintenance men in this city. We also remind Mr. Donald Sanders Black Teamsters representative at Martland Hospital that there is too glaring a contradiction with Teamster officials refusing to support black progress on the one hand, but being willing to rip off black union dues on the other hand. But if the unions persist in their racism and will not send men to work, then certainly the Temple of Kawaida will find other means to get that work done, and there are other methods we will employ to see if perhaps The Unions can be compelled to build Kawaida Towers whether they want to or not.

But one thing is certain, Kawaida Towers will certainly Rise.

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