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On February 20, 1973 police officers were involved in acts of police brutality: Badge Numbers 282, 150, 402, 101, 543, 725, 506, 1123, 1610, 105. These police officers have been repeatedly involved in hostile racist acts. On February 21, 1973 these same police officers began to harass members of the Temple of Kawaida by detaining them unnecessarily.

12:45 on February 21, 1973 members of the Temple were leaving the Kawaida Towers construction site, they were harassed by these police officers. They were thrown into cars and verbally abused.

Today, February 22, 1973 police personnel was increased. They proceeded to use abusive language, spit at and shove members of the Temple of Kawaida. The police officers whose badges were noted spearheaded the harassment on both days, they worked in league with the racist Imperiale forces to cause conflict. These same people further harassed members of the Temple of Kawaida by hitting them with sticks, kicking, stomping, spitting, screaming obscenities. These officers are members of the infamous tactical force of police, they are a known racist force. These acts cannot be allowed to go un-noticed for nothing to be actually done about these type of acts again and again. The police moved in a vicious, deliberate manner when striking, and after striking, were smug in their meers. They conducted themselves in a manner that was obviously irresponsible. Decisive action must be taken. These men are unfit to police anything. Instead of protecting the citizens of this community, they spearhead violence against the community.