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#### TINDALL CONSPIRES AGAINST BLACK UNITY

In his statement to the press attacking Kawaida Towers, Daniel Tindall exposed himself as a fool and enemy of unity in the Black community in the face of white racism. Tindall's claim that the Temple of Kawaida could not find a black architect to work on Kawaida Towers is so misinformed that it barely deserves an answer.

Majenzi Kuumba, a Black architect, and Romolo Bottelli joined in a joint venture to draw this building so that it would reflect the needs of the Black community and at the same time have a registered architect approved by the Housing Finance Agency. In NewArk, we have intelligent young Black men who are committed to the building and development of institutions in the Black community; Kawaida Towers provided the opportunity for these young men to get specialized training so that we can be self-reliant. We have stated before that we are not committed to slogans or rhetoric about Blackness--what we are committed to is meeting the requirements of evolution in the Black community. The Black community in NewArk needs housing, perhaps more than any other city in America, and the success of a Black housing development is our first commitment.

If Tindall had studied the situation in NewArk, he would know that Black groups have attempted to develop housing for six years without much success. For him to question the success of our strategy, shows he is not in tune with the mood of the Black

community in Newark. Success needs no explanation! Many Black developments die on the drawing board in Newark. Our press release in October said that there were few Black architects, who had successfully handled high-rise apartments in New Jersey. Mr. Tindall misquoted us as saying there were none; this is inaccurate and must be corrected.

In the face of the unity movement in the Black community, to resist the racist assault from Imperiale, it seems conspiratory that Blacks would make statements to the press questioning the legitimacy of our movement without offering their help in the struggle against racism. We do urge Mr. Tindall to supply us with the names of carpenters, electricians, and iron workers who are willing to cross the line of vigilantes at Kawaida Towers. This would actually aid in our struggle for freedom.

Kawaida Towers will be built. Those who attack Black development are either ignorant, unconscious, or the enemies of the Black community.

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