



Bob - I thought you would like to see Mathis works for U.S. Dept. of Justice. Ray

Rajneesh file

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TELEPHONE

TO: Paul Phillips

DATE: April 21, 1982

FROM: Kathleen Harbaugh *KH*

SUBJECT: Telephone Call from John Mathis re Rajneesh-Antelope situation

John called to tell you that he they had a meeting yesterday with a Wasco County Commissioner, Judge Cantrell, Wasco Co., State Police, Wasco Co. DA & Wasco Co. Sheriff.

He said to tell ^{you} that the situation over there is very explosive and could blow at any time. They are going to hold a meeting on May 6th in Madras (Jefferson County) at the DA's office.

The Rajneesh are planning a festival in May. They have been informed that they will have to provide their own security on their land. The Sheriff will patrol the roads.

John stated that he felt the Governor should come out with a statement, which he feels will have a great effect on the situation, (that law and order will be enforced in that area at all times.) (OVER)

He feels that a strong statement from the Governor would have a great effect on the citizens of Antelope. I got the impression in talking to John that he feels that the Rajneesh people are very cooperative and more or less the confusion is on the part of the citizens of Antelope.

But he further explained that it was not only Wasco County that was upset about the Rajnees community, but the people in the surrounding counties were also up in arms. One of his statements to me was (we need to get this situation worked out before something drastic happens, such as some radical group maybe rapping one of the Rajneesh girls.)

John would like you to call him at 206-442-4465.

He would also like for you to share this infor with Bob Oliver.