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Federal/State/Local Agency Meeting
September 26, 1984 1:30 p.m.
Attorney General's Conference Room

The Attorney General reported that the land use case should be ready for briefing in 60-90 days. In the meantime we are dealing with the administrative process such as access to state government resources. As you know, at the last election the people voted to change the city of Antelope to the city of Rajneesh and that city is a legal city and can access state government such as LEDS.

In the name of Governor Atiyeh, I stressed the need for coordination and the sharing of information. I emphasized we recognize the sensitivity of some information, did not expect sensitive information to be shared in a large group, but asked that one on one sharing occur as needed.

Secretary of State reviewed the election process integrity protection needs. She is concerned the Rajneesh will conduct an extensive vote by mail. She is also concerned the Rajneesh will make every attempt to overload the system by standing in line hundreds of people to be registered, basically shutting out non-Rajneeshees. County Clerks in both counties have been working closely with Norma and are preparing themselves for whatever may occur. County clerks may be required to visit the ranch to obtain proof of citizenship and will probably need police protection. It is Norma's estimate they will need 2,000 votes to influence the election and it would appear they have that many if they can keep them under control.

Oregon State Police John Williams positioned the state police as a major support to local law enforcement agencies. He passed out the attached summary of the Rajneesh. John indicated that day and night patrols have been stepped up in the Madras and The Dalles offices. They are concerned about the difficult access to the ranch through winding roads. Should anything occur inside the ranch, access problems are a worry. To date most of the problems have occurred outside the ranch. As of the date of this report, we estimate 1,000 street people on the ranch with 1,400 to 1,700 Rajneeshees. Three buses of rejects, 80 each, left the ranch today. These probably will be the last buses returning the rejects to their original location. Any one arriving at the ranch after this date and who are rejected or leave of their own accord will probably be dumped at Shaniko, The Dalles or Madras. We do know that in the last two days, approximately 300 street people have arrived and we are aware of three more buses enroute.

It is obvious the street people will eventually be moved to the housing just now being completed within the city of Antelope. This creates even more problems because of the concern of integration of the high majority of Blacks into that conservative community.

John reported that they were able to detain five of those leaving the ranch, three of whom have very long criminal records. He reported on a couple of the interviews. One was a male picked up at the Madras Trailways bus depot. He was from Phoenix and came to Rajneesh because of a leaflet given to him which instructed him to contact a person dressed in red who immediately signed him up. He was bused to Madras and from there to the ranch. Upon arrival he was put in a processing line where all personal data was taken. From there he went to another line where blood samples were taken. He was enticed to the ranch with the promise of room and board free of charge with no requirement to work. Upon arrival he was requested to work 12 hours a day and also told he must convert to Rajneesheism within three months or he would be ejected. He reported that the general consensus among the street people was that they were there to vote. He said it felt like being in a prison, particularly when the ranch helicopter patrolled the borders with guns and a huge search light at night. He also stated the ranch is "one big whore-house." He did feel that no one within the ranks of the homeless were trying to control their ranks and many more street people were staying than leaving.

Another interviewee had been contacted one month ago in Boston and was told that if he would come to the ranch to live, he would be provided clothing, a roof over his head, healthy food to eat, in exchange for nothing, not even work. He arrived two weeks ago and has been awakened every morning at 5:30 a.m., blindfolded, made to sit on the floor for 1 1/2 hours to hear the Rajneeshees chant. He believes this is their effort to control his mind. He also thinks they have been putting medication in his food and has been told six different times he will have to vote.

Both of the above left Rajneesh of their own accord, expressing dissatisfaction with the prison-like atmosphere.

Williams also reported on two females who had been brought out of Rajneesh forcibly. One of the females is a well-educated person who objected to the white wrist band she had to use as ID as a newly arrived street person. Incidentally, a blue wrist band indicates a street person who has passed all check points and been accepted; a red band is for those who have paid \$250 to be on the ranch.

At 4 a.m. on the morning of the 24th, this female was being escorted from the ranch and escaped at Biggs Junction. The other female was in jail at Madras. She had been housed with two Puerto Ricans and objected to the many visitors for sexual purposes throughout the night. The activities erupted into a fight and this woman was evicted from the ranch. She went to a restaurant, ordered a meal, failed to pay for the meal and went on her way. She was arrested at the request of the restaurant owner. The latter female had a long record of robbery, assault and prostitution. These criminal

records seem to be very common among those who have been interviewed. It is difficult to put any reliability into the interviews because many of these ejected people are mental cases or appear to be strung out on drugs.

Williams reported they know the police force is heavily armed with all of them at least carrying side arms. This discussion was then referred to the representative from A.F.T. with the question of how legal are some of the arms. AFT indicated as best they could determine all weapons had been legally registered, but he did indicate it is difficult to know exactly what weaponry is at the ranch and they have not been able to get inside to make any determination. AFT tells us the only track they have is that which is reported on a voluntary basis by dealers. We do have a pattern of the Rajneesh making purchases from various dealers widespread throughout the U.S., obviously a deliberate purchase pattern. Recently they have a report showing there were 17,400 rounds of .223 ammunition, 8,400 rounds of another caliber I was unable to get, 11,000 rounds of .308 and 7,000 rounds of .38 caliber. They are also aware of purchase of 20 semi automatic 11 oozies, many carbines and several semi-automatic rifles. Yesterday the AFR received a report of 96 AK47's (Russian weapon) along with one million rounds of ammunition having been purchased. To date they have not been able to confirm this. Rajneesh police force adamantly denies such a purchase. All automatics must be registered with the ATF.

Oregon State Military REPORTED THAT THEY WOULD BE READY TO ACT SHOULD the Governor declare a state of emergency. They would come on line on a status requiring supplement to the OSP. They have 2,000 air guard and 7,500 army guard. They would use operation out of Hood River, The Dalles, Bend and Redmond. The military and OSP are working together to coordinate an emergency operation plan. Depending upon their intelligence, a task force could be moved in by the military within three hours. OSP reported they too are ready with their emergency response plan and have in the area 60 men for immediate response.

To the best of everyone's knowledge there has been no real organized group threatening Rajneesh such as the Posse Comitatus. We continue to hear rumors of ex-Vietnam vets (see attached) organizing other groups. Federal government and the local DA are both concerned about the weekend warrior groups (survivalists).

District Attorney Sullivan expressed concern that local people will organize if the Rajneesh police make any more arrests of non-Rajneesh.

Another large concern at all levels of government is the high number of visitors to the ranch. They will average 500-600 per day with the noon and 2 p.m. tours being the heaviest.

A Minnesota trucking firm in the last week delivered construction material to the ranch. The trucker reported seeing heavy armament and likened it to a military installation.

All federal agencies confirmed what they call the high frustration index among non-Rajneeshees. These citizens currently view government as uncaring and ineffective. Federal agencies would like us to find a way to advise visitors to stay away from the ranch, but also emphasize we need to be cautious of statements to the public and stay away from any inflammatory statements. Most of all, citizens need all the reassurance they can get from government.

INS reported they have been concerned about the ranch since 12/81. They admitted to several pending items and have a lot of information. They would be willing to share with any of us on an individual basis.

DEA has no specific information about drug traffic, but have received a lot of rumors. The latest was that of a plane that landed at the ranch carrying 55 gallon drums of chemicals for a clandestine lab. No confirmation has been made.

IRS has to work within their disclosure provisions. They have found no specific violations, but if any are found, they will be reported to the appropriate agency.

District Attorney, Jefferson County, feels strongly that the State Police should be more than just a backup to local law enforcement agencies. His last visit to the ranch and to the city of Antelope was to determine the thrust of development. Rajneesh are currently erecting a "man camp" in the city of Antelope that will easily house 6-700 people. This can be doubled by simply double bunking. Sullivan reports that the Rajneesh are in the market for another man camp modular soon to be delivered.

Sullivan is particularly concerned about the Antelope area because it unlike the ranch has absolutely no buffer zone for protection. He reports that guards around the ranch are all armed with .357 handguns.

He reported he asked at least 200 questions dealing with water supply, sewage, etc., and received no answer to any one of his questions. There are excellent air facilities both at the ranch and at Antelope.

Sullivan's last meeting with K.D. resulted in K.D.'s pleading for a meeting to bring about a quick resolution to this mutual problem. K.D. advised Sullivan they want the Governor to influence INS in gaining Bahgwan's permanent status and assistance in applying pressure to the legislature to bring about designation of a city for Rajneesh. Sullivan, like the rest of us, advised K.D. that there will be no bargaining done as long as they are holding a gun to our head. Sullivan encouraged all of us to cultivate the

Rajneesh police. Currently they are our only open communication line. It is the belief of Sullivan and was confirmed by the federal agencies that this is a self-generated crisis by the Rajneesh. The Rajneesh are very adept at creating crisis and who knows what the next would be. It is the opinion that the next would be a move to bring in the worst possible cases of sick people around to be treated by their hospital and doctors and then quickly dump them on us. Sullivan made another plea to the state of Oregon to provide money to return the street people to their place of origin.

FBI reported limited intelligence. It is difficult for them to gain information because they have no legal justification for investigation. They have received some civil rights complaints against the Rajneesh police department. FBI is concerned with the street people. They know there are some fugitives from law enforcement. They are hoping there will be a generation of leads from those leaving the ranch. They stand by to assist with the upcoming election through their responsibility from a criminal standpoint. They do have a couple of sources on the weaponry, one very reliable source has reported a helicopter with an M60 machine gun mounted on it.

U. S. Department of Justice has identified a lot of worldwide connections. They are currently working on trying to locate drug connections that came with the Rajneesh from India. It appears that this drug link works around the fringe looking for drug couriers. They are certain there are drug fugitives moving in and out of the ranch and suspect there is one now in hiding there. They, like many of the others, are unable to penetrate the ranch and are continually looking for a high level defector.

U. S. Attorney representative reports their jurisdiction as a reactive one. They are a little further along on the immigration case against the Bahgwan, but believe the case will take a long time to reach a certainty. They report the legal advice the Rajneesh are getting is probably better than any of us could ever obtain.

Attached is a list of those in attendance at the meeting. Please hold all of this information closely to your vest. It is highly confidential. The list or the contents of the briefing have not been discussed with anyone.

RAJNEESH

July 1981 the Chidvillas Rajneesh Meditation Center, incorporated in New Jersey in 1977 as a religious tax exempt organization, purchased the Big Muddy Ranch in Central Oregon for reported 6-7 million dollars. The ranch, 64,229 acres of which 50,000 acres lies in Jefferson County and 14,229 in Wasco County, was immediately occupied by about 50 members of the organization and renamed Rajneeshpuram. An additional 17,000 acres of BLM is under lease.

Shortly thereafter the organization purchased property and businesses in the small nearby city of Antelope, population 40. Residents of Antelope attempted in April 1982 to dis-incorporate the city but failed when the Rajneesh met voter requirements with sufficient numbers to retain the city.

July 1982 and each successive July after Rajneeshpuram has held a world-wide Festival at the ranch. The 1982 Festival attracted approximately 5,000 persons and grossed a reported 4 million dollars; the 1984 Festival attracted approximately 15,000 people and grossed an estimated 12 million dollars.

Rajneeshpuram has an established Peace Force consisting of 10 BPST certified officers and in July 1984 reported 39 reserves.

The Rajneesh Council at Antelope has contracted with Rajneeshpuram for police services to provide 24-hour coverage. Antelope's population at present is approximately 80 Rajneesh and 13 non-Rajneesh. Rajneesh has expanded their business holdings with a hotel in Portland, which was bombed in July 1983, and a Portland nightclub and bakery.

Early September 1984 the Rajneesh announced a new program of importing "Street People" from several major cities, primarily the east coast, to the ranch to train them in a productive trade. Ground construction is underway in Antelope, now renamed Rajneesh, and a modular "man camp" has been purchased for erection. Reportedly approximately 1,400 "street people" will be housed in Antelope when facilities are completed.

Latest estimate indicates about 1,500 Rajneesh and 1,000 street people reside at Rajneeshpuram.

Rajneesh People:

BEWARE: In addition to those who are try^{ing} to use legal means to halt your efforts here in Oregon there are several people who are now seriously plotting to use violence/force, even bio-chemical means to eradicate your operation (puram?) in Antelope and at the puram.

My name or how I came by this information is of no importance and it is up to you (and your leaders) as to what you do with it.

One David L. Cooley of 10340 S.E. Harrison, Portland, is now organizing a group of ex-Vietnam veterans, some of whom have had experience with the use of bio-chemical weapons (such as Agent Orange), and other veterans who have flown helicopters. This group now has at least 200 hand grenades and several small anti-personnel devices such as those used in Vietnam. At an airport (no - I don't which one, they are outfitting a helicopter - apparently they are painting it up to look like a TV news helicopter) here in the Portland area, they are preparing a helicopter for combat use against your puram/city.

Another man participating in this situation is one Joe Greer of 241 NE 6th, Clatskanie, Oregon (he is reportedly being assisted by one James P. Terhune). I understand he is in charge of procuring military hardware. One of these two men may have been responsible for the threatening phone calls made to your hotel here in Portland the other day.

One plan they have been considering is to bomb the puram - in hopes of killing the Bagwhan (am not sure of spelling of his title). Apparently, there are several local and state officials giving them private encouragement.

BEWARE - these people are serious and are in the process of preparing for an attack on your puram.

It is up to you to stop this. Don't say you were not warned.

A friend

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