

## Komrad Richard

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dedication and introduction:

this piece of writing is dedicated to the next generation of revolutionaries who i and i'm sure Richard, wish you a live and exciting journey full of surprises, ups and downs, ins and outs. in other words, never a dull moment!  
In fulfilling your tasks and mission in this life, the building of socialism.

introduction: some of you who will read this will, i'm sure, read this as a criticism of the events at berkeley and oakland. that i was disappointed, ain't no joke. that said, i want to express my thanks to all who helped put the programs on and especially the memorial committee for their hard work doing a difficult task. Richard was a complex man/revolutionary.

Richard and i believe that one of the areas we needed to develop was in the area of democracy, in our movement, our communities and in our total human relationships. easier said than done. one area we had complete agreement on was the need to hear everyone out. we realized early on, that differences were as

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natural as shit  
stinks. that differences were generally speaking the result of class  
positions and  
would naturally come out and that we needed to be able to  
work with those  
differences. sometimes they ain't based in class, just a different  
way of lookin.

But, you'll never know unless it's put out there for all to see.  
thats why i'm putting  
this out. i have different views than a whole lot of people, i'm not  
going to hold that  
against them, that's just the way it is. we can get together and talk  
to find where  
we have agreement and sharpen up our differences. not behind  
each others back.

our concern has always been to promote and build unity, to  
phuq up the  
mans divide  
and rule game, to "unite all that can be united against the enemies of  
the people, the  
imperialist mf's. of the world". our position is, to put your views  
out there, don't be  
scared, all folks can do is talk shit about you, remember? "sticks  
and stones can  
break my bones, but words can never harm me." sectarianism,  
the world view that  
thinks they know better, are more revolutionary, are just more  
superior then the rest  
of us. is not a revolutionary nor working class world view and  
folks  
will figure them  
out sooner or later.

PEOPLE OF COLOR, WORKERS, WOMEN, UNITE!



Born in '38, the great depression, the 2nd of capitalisms great  
redivisions of the world,  
Japan has annexed Taiwan, Korea, Manchuria and invades China.

Germany has finished off the western front and invades the Soviet Union.

Italy is running loose in Afrika.

Pearl Harbor! Japs out! Camp, concentration camp you mean. socialization from 3 to 6 years old in a world without hope. Under the guns, pluq the apologists, we weren't free or equal.

back to west Oakland, home free?  
back to segregation, housing covenants 'n' white supremacy.  
being a good buddhahead, so what?  
into the army, 8 years of training, for war.....

ain't goin to the 'Nam.

what Malcolm say? 'bout no vietnamese ever call him a .....  
yeah, ain't no Vietnamese ever called him a jap or put him in no camp.

came home and went socialist, sounded good, the basic needs met for everyone. Food, Clothing and Shelter, Jobs, Health Care and Education available for all, Human Worth over monetary worth. Sounds good.....no?

Huey 'n' Bobby 'n' Richard? Yup. At Merrit, then Richard goez to berkeley.

Black Panther Party for Self Defense....Thank You!  
Helped with military "stuff" 'n' training, logistics, tactics, discipline, organizing.

Field Marshall? yup, with the likes of George Jackson, Donald Cox and others.

Bad, bad dudes, now you know how the party,

Huey and the central committee felt and thought about him.

Berkeley, the struggle for ethnic studies following the strike at S.F state.

**SHUT THE MOTHAFUCKA DOWN!**

We want to know our own true history, of proud and dignified people in resistance to oppression, exploitation, divide and rule and ass kissing.

Chairman Richard, our own Lenin, a theoretician and practical leader.

Asian Amerikan studies, salaries collectivised, decisions by committee,  
held out the longest, from Ho Chih Minh hall

The university finds a honorary white sucka, a yella man of the system.

Richard is fired and returns to Merrit. A new stage for social investigation.

30 plus years in the jr. college system. Rises from teacher to administrator,

helps others along the way.

And is honored and recognized for his strong and principled stand in support of students of color and workers in the system.

can you imagine where he coulda went, honors he coulda got?  
If he kissed the man's ass and was an opportunist? NO WAY!!!

retired from the slave. Back on the set. Working with Yuri and the younger ones coming on. So much to see, do, experience, people to meet.

40th anniversary reunion of the Black Panther Party!  
meeting and seeing old friends, meeting other 'heads.  
Guy, Mike, would you believe? Black August.  
It's Good to be Alive!

The 'ol bod ain't what it used to be.  
A quart a day, kept the doctor away, in his youth.  
Tough bastard, only the best hooch, ya know.  
Not that cheap shit.

Pushin 70, ain't that somethin? Who woulda guessed?  
Bratha gone, pops gone, mom crossed over too.  
No mo need for oya koko, pain, strokes.

What the fuk, kidney failure from a stroke?  
So much left to do, as a maoist we have 4 tasks;

Build a revolutionary organization/ party of a new type of the  
most committed, dedicated, loving, honest and  
trustworthy individuals  
committed to the liberation of humanity and the building of  
socialism.

To train, nurture and promote a peoples liberation fighting organization dedicated to Serve the People, protecting the people and community.

To form a united front of all those who can be united, centered around oppressed and working women, workers of all color led by lower working class workers of color, oppressed nationalities led by their workers.

And to create liberated zones in our neighborhoods as described by komrad George Jackson.

We have work to do and he's not here. In his obit and blog raoki.com, he's described as a 'nice' guy, good friend, etc, etc, etc. No one talks about his revolutionary morality. Che describes what we are supposed to be about. Chairman Mao describes that a good commie serves the people.

Richard was a neat person, because he was a "nice" guy, you know, one of those nice japanese dudes that carries that "nice guy gene", you know the one right next to that "model minority gene" that is on the tip of that y chromosome, the one at the end of our, you know what. that's the basis of our good guy jacket.

Not because he was a wanna be commie "n" revolutionary. You pick which one he was.

They blew taps and had the stars and stripe of amerika, manifest destiny amerika, drown the world in blood amerika, for his family it was said. It made a lie of his last years, if not his whole life? He's gone now, it can't hurt him. You believe that shit?

There is a rumor that he took his own life. Is that true?  
If you want to know, all you have to do is call the morgue, in  
Oakland  
or Berkeley.

And what if it is? As 21st century Maoists, we, including Richard,  
ain't afraid of dying, or anythang else, especially if it's just talking.

Everyone has the right of self-determination over their own lives.  
thas why no one has the right to tell us, who we can live with,  
how we live  
and most certainly, where and how we gonna die.

To me, Richard was in a way, in the same predicament as Kom-  
rad George.

George was lookin at doin hard time at quentin and with the  
real possibility  
that they could overwhelm him and put him into extreme and  
impossible  
places, including having to watch his back every second of  
every day.

Does anyone believe? That Komrad George actually believed  
that he was going  
to jump over a couple of 16-foot-high fences? Or get out alive  
without us  
taking over or at the very least, getting a helicopter into the yard?

If the rumor is true, Richard's life is similar in this way. The  
shock that his body could  
betray him in such far out ways, that he had no control over and  
the  
possibility that  
he could become helpless, had to fuk wid his mind. This way, at  
least, he had control  
over his own destiny to the last moment, as did komrad George.

Either way, he's gone now. He's joined the ancestors; his  
grandparents, moms, bratha,  
pops, chairman Mao, Malcolm, Huey and all the others of our trend.  
Our trend? "Where ever there is oppression, there is resistance", or  
as the great  
Mexican revolutionary, Emiliano Zapata said, "It is better to die  
on ones feet,  
then to live on ones knees".

Wind in the tower, shit in the cellar, a great economic crisis,  
such as the world has ever seen.

global warming and globalization, neo-liberalism and lies of  
prosperity,  
who in the phuq are they kidding?

war in Afganistan, war in Iraq, leadership change in Panama,  
Haiti, Honduras.  
tampering in Pakistan, Philippines, Nepal, Palestine, Somalia,  
Kazakhstan, etc

6 of the 7 continents rock 'n' roll, the 7th is shedding its' whiteness,  
oceans rising, more people dying.

patriot bill still smoking, immigrants and Muslims catching hell  
migrants and Islam are the new civil rights call,  
CIVIL RIGHTS my ass, HUMAN RIGHTS and it ain't just here!

isn't it time to get off our butts? what's it going to take, another  
atomic bomb?  
or a new draft? what the fok, how selfish can we get?

away with all pests, cast away illusions and prepare for struggle.  
countries want independence, nations want liberation and the  
people revolution.

the EarthMother and the next Seven Generations call out to us,  
get your shit together, before it's too late, don't believe the lies,  
you(we) don't have another 100 years or seven generations.  
people are already dying; from war. rising ocean levels, pollution,  
from lack of; food, water, health care and shelter.

because of the seeking and taking of profit at all costs, the bot-  
tom line!

do the math, do the analysis, look around you, think and do the  
organizing!

they are the minority, we are the majority, we're the good guys.  
ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

TELL NO LIES, CLAIM NO EASY VICTORIES—Amilcar Cabral

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