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Position Paper and Policy Statement in reference to In-Custody-Deaths of individuals within the jurisdiction of Law Enforcement, the penal/correctional systems and the Judiciary.

Our position and policy is that in custody deaths must end. And, that no person should die in *custody of any form of government arrest, detention, control or "holdings for questioning"; period.*

In Morehouse Parish a young-person "died-in-custody". It is a mere question of how is it that people in general can die in-custody, on such a regular basis. It was stated the youngster was badly beaten and bruised. There is no conclusive outcome to this event by investigative authorities.

Finally, the "gun control" executive action is a necessity.

However, it is my hope, that clear-focus, would be taken to In-Custody-Deaths. It is our position, that this is a human rights issue. The killing of Americans, in "incarceration-centers" or in-policecustody; is a violation of human decency. In Morehouse Parish Louisiana at the court-house, was the scene of a tragically killed inmate, while being transferred by a Fourth JDC, courthouse official police, the man committed suicide by-cop.

The latest "in-custody death" in N. E., Louisiana has occurred in Ouachita Parish, at the Richwood Correctional facility. The, most recent vivid memory is the "in-custody death" of a teen-ager at Green Oaks Detention. Sixteen years of age. Several different stories "emerged", in this instance.

In the latest incident, this man was Fifty-eight (58) years of age. The teen-ager at Green Oaks was Sixteen(16) years of age.

It is our prayer and hope, that an equitable solution, will be afforded the people of this area. In Custody Deaths Must End. Investigative outcomes must responsibly produce clear facts, in the lives of the murdered [Bail-bond homicide]; and those who are increasingly "Dead-In-Custody".

It is guns and a retaliative, reactionary mentality that is the cause of all the mayhem; inclusive of "in comnunity violence perpetrated upon one another", the killer-cop phenomenon, the cop-killing backlash and now; "the 'homegrown' internationally twisted, radicalized 'straight from hell' TERRORISM.

The police, are so vehemently destructive of black citizens in general, when dealt with in an arrest or apprehension. And some, vunerably victimous persons, exacerbate the "death model" with the slightest of move. In essence, the cops are scared! And, they are more afraid of blacks, than any other. It is as if they are on a genocidal eradication. Our Position and Policy Why? In Custody Deaths? Males. Females. Women. Children. Boys. Girls.

An aberation of society, emanating from "the colonial slave masters", exacerbated by the rise of the African Black Man rise to prominence in society. The ruling class' greatest fear, a strong powerful black man.

Hence, a Strong black race, black woman, black child, Black Family. Thusly, a strong knee jerk response to the killing/eradication!

