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2501A Bayshore Road  
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May 7, 1999

Charles Ruff  
G1  
725 17th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Ruff;

I appeal to you for immediate executive clemency for American Indian Movement (AIM) activist Leonard Peltier.

Why in the world has Mr. Peltier's petition for executive clemency been left five years without action? The FBI was in the wrong here from the beginning, not AIM. They not only refused to bother with investigating the over 60 murders and untold acts of terrorism by Dick Wilson and his goons during their reign on the Pine Ridge Reservation, they are the ones who armed Wilson so he could kill off traditionals in the first place. Their military style assault June 26, 1975, showed them to be no more decent or enlightened than white forces of the early 19th century. No one in power seemed to care that they murdered a Native man, Joseph Stuntz Killwright. What was a mere Indian's life to them? But the Bureau was determined to find anyone but themselves to blame for the deaths of two of their own agents in the AIM camp's defensive fire.

We committed blatant fraud against an ally, Canada, to have Leonard Peltier extradited back here. When the other Native defendants were acquitted on the obvious grounds of self defense, the court forbade him, their last chance for a scapegoat, to plead the same. It was only the start in what Amnesty International and other human rights activists have recognized as a wholly unfair excuse for a trial. The FBI to this day continues to interfere unethically in attempts to have Mr. Peltier paroled, even though they have admitted that they have no idea whose fire actually killed their agents.

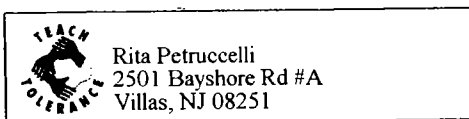
Leonard Peltier is in constant pain and cannot close or more than slightly open his mouth. Leavenworth sent him to a facility (Springfield) completely unable to help, and which held him in disgracefully unsanitary conditions under restrictions having no bearing on security. He is now worse off. Yet the Leavenworth staff is so petty and spiteful that, knowing he cannot chew, they still refuse to so much as blend his food for him. Springfield has stated they have neither the equipment nor the trained staff to help hi. The Mayo Clinic wants to treat him. But Warden Booker staunchly refuses. This is maltreatment amounting to torture. How many years should he be medically neglected?

This case has shamed the U.S. long enough. Get him treated and FREE LEONARD PELTIER!

Sincerely,

*Rita Anne Petruccelli*

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2501 Bayshore Rd #A  
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Mr. Charles Ruff

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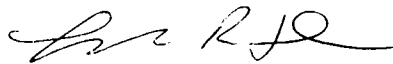
84 Smith Ave.  
East Longmeadow, MA 01028  
March 17, 1999

U.S. President William J. Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton,

I am writing you to urge you to grant executive clemency for Leonard Peltier. The government has conceded on numerous occasions that they do not know what part, if any, Peltier may have played in the death of the agents. Peltier has now spent 23 years in prison for a crime he did not commit. Many human rights organizations have urged you to review the Peltier case. Please do not send me another form letter stating that his case is still under review. Instead, please attend to the case and take some compassionate action. Thank you for listening.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Laurel R. Davis', with a stylized, cursive script.

Laurel R. Davis

cc: U.S. Pardon Attorney Roger C. Adams  
Charles Ruff

Davis-DeLano Family  
34 Smith Avenue  
East Longmeadow, MA 01028



Charles Ruff

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725 17<sup>th</sup> St. NW

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 16, 1999

MEMORANDUM FOR WHITE HOUSE COUNSEL

FROM: JANET MURGUIA *JM*  
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter that was forwarded to me by Sen. John Breaux (D-LA).

Because the letter specifically concerns your office, I have forwarded the correspondence to your attention. Please review the attached letter and respond directly to the Member of Congress. Please forward a copy of the response to Erica Morris, Office of Legislative Affairs.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Erica Morris at 456-2230.

Enclosures

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JOHN BREAUX  
LOUISIANA

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June 15, 1999

Ms. Janet Murgria  
Deputy Director to the President and  
Senate Liaison for Legislative Affairs  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Ms. Murgria:

I have been contacted by Ms. Kimla McDonald regarding a request  
for executive clemency for Leonard Peltier.

Please give the views and concerns of my constituent every  
appropriate consideration within federal guidelines and provide me  
with a report on the status of this issue. Your reply may be forwarded to the  
attention of Jennifer Guste.

Thank you for your attention and assistance.

Sincerely,



JOHN BREAUX  
United States Senator

JB/jmg  
Enclosure

First Name:

Last Name:

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From: Mrs. Kimla McDonald  
Address1: 8124 Sycamore Place  
Address2:  
City: New Orleans State: LA Zip: 70118  
Home Phone:  
Work Phone:  
Email Address: kimlamcd@msn.com  
Email Subject: Other

Interest: Auto Reply

**Message:**

Senator Breau: I write to ask you to urge President Clinton to grant immediate executive clemency for Leonard Peltier. I join with Bishop Desmond Tutu, the United Methodist Church, and many others who are ashamed that you, as head of state, have not acted to release Mr. Peltier from prison. His petition for clemency has been ignored for over five years. This is not right. Leonard Peltier has been incarcerated now for twenty-three years despite the fact that parole hearings have established that he was "both falsely accused and falsely convicted." The government has conceded on numerous occasions that they do not know who is responsible for the deaths of the FBI agents or what part Leonard Peltier may have had in them. I believe Mr. Peltier is a victim of the ongoing "Indian Wars", which have apparently not ended. As an American who has worked with Indian people for many years, this sickens me. How do I explain to my young children that the President refuses to help an innocent man who is suffering? Leonard is suffering from severe health conditions. He filed for executive clemency five years ago. Please do not send me a form letter stating that this petition is still under review by the justice department. Instead, please look into this case and take immediate action. As a representative of the freedoms of all Americans, I urge you to do the right thing and stand for the rights of this man, this native American, and see that his clemency petition is granted by the President. Thank you. Kimla McDonald

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**INTERIM  
WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET**

**INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

**DATE OF LETTER:** 9/8/99

**NAME/ADDRESS OF CORRESPONDENT:**

MS. CATHERINE GANT  
509 HAVENWOOD LANE NORTH  
FORT WORTH, TX 76112

**SUBJECT:**

URGE PRESIDENT TO SEE TO IT THAT LEONARD PELTIER IS FREED  
FROM PRISON

**ROUTED TO:** BETH NOLAN

**DATE:** 10/26/99

**COMMENTS:**

→ CUAT40

**ACTION CODES:**

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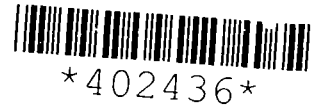
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TO EXT. 62590

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CATHERINE GANT  
509 Havenwood Lane, N.  
Fort Worth, TX 76112 USA



September 8, 1999

President Bill Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

In 1977, American Indian Movement activist **Leonard Peltier** was convicted of murdering two FBI agents two years earlier on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. Since that time, Amnesty International has consistently questioned the fairness of Mr. Peltier's trial and subsequent appeals and evidentiary hearings. While Amnesty International takes no position regarding Mr. Peltier's guilt or innocence, it has concluded that the evidence that he shot the two agents in 1975 is far from conclusive, and the organization believes that Mr. Peltier's political activities and beliefs may have influenced the circumstances of his arrest and trial.

Amnesty International has long advocated that Leonard Peltier be granted a fair re-trial. Throughout the appeals process, substantial doubts have persisted about the fairness of his treatment by the courts. Now that he has spent 22 years in prison and exhausted all available legal appeals, a re-trial is no longer a feasible option. Recognizing this fact, Amnesty International is now calling upon the United States Government to release Leonard Peltier from prison without delay.

I join with Amnesty International in urging you to see to it that Leonard Peltier is freed from prison. I thank you for your attention to this matter, and I look forward to receiving your reply.

Sincerely,

CATHERINE GANT

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*copy to:*

Mr. Roger C. Adams

U.S. Pardon Attorney

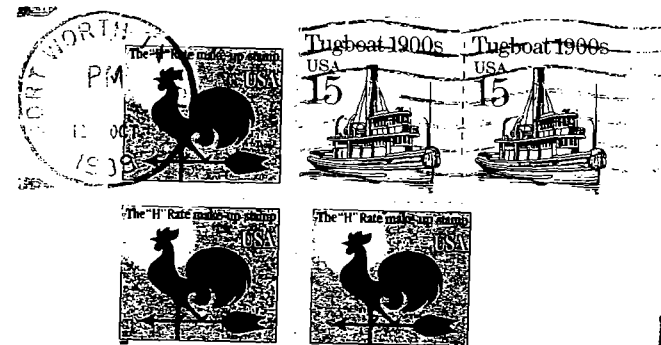
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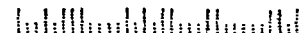
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JUDGE CATHERINE GANT  
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President Bill Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500



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**INTERIM  
WHITE HOUSE  
CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET**

**INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

**DATE OF LETTER:** 10/8/99

**NAME/ADDRESS OF CORRESPONDENT:**

MR. BARRY JAY WARSCH  
COMMISSIONER  
THE CITY OF COOPER CITY  
POST OFFICE BOX 290910  
COOPER CITY, FL 33329

**SUBJECT:**

URGE PRESIDENT CLINTON TO SEE THAT LEONARD PELITIER IS  
FREED FROM PRISON

**ROUTED TO:** BETH NOLAN

**DATE:** 11/3/99

**COMMENTS:**

→ CU AT 40

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October 8, 1999

President Bill Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

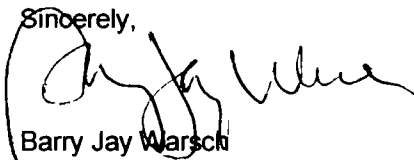
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Commissioner

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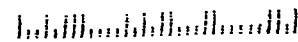
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The White House  
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**INTERIM  
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CORRESPONDENCE TRACKING WORKSHEET**

**INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

**DATE OF LETTER:**

**NAME/ADDRESS OF CORRESPONDENT:**

Daemon Records  
Decatur, Georgia 30031-1207

**SUBJECT:**

Urging the President to free Leonard Peltier from prison

**ROUTED TO:**

Nolan

**DATE:** 10/29/99

**COMMENTS:**

→ CUAT 40

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President Bill Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

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Sincerely,

*indigo girls*



c/o russell carter  
755 first national bank building  
decatur, georgia 30030



*President Bill Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.  
20500*

OCT 25 1999



Bill Clinton  
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVE  
WASHINGTON DC 20500

JOHN KOHL  
135 STATE ST  
AUBURN NY 13024  
4/15/99

Dear Pres. Clinton,

Please grant Native American activist Leonard Peltier Exec. Clemency.  
I know you must share my concern for an innocent person such as  
Mr. Peltier, who is suffering life in prison for a crime he did not commit.  
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of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in Paris. Now that the impeachment  
hearings are over I know that you will listen to the millions of people who  
are asking you to free Mr. Peltier. I strongly urge you to do the right thing  
and grant exec. clemency to Leonard Peltier. Millions of people internationally  
know the case of Leonard Peltier and what it symbolizes and millions of  
millions more continue to learn about it. If you listen to our collective demands  
for justice, you will be remembered by millions for a gracious act.

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Kindest Personal Regards:

Johnny Kohl

CC: ROGER C. ADAMS

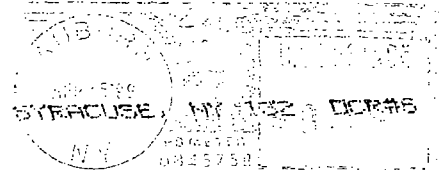
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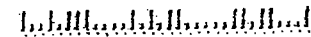
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CHARLES RUFF, ATTORNEY  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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DATE RECEIVED: APRIL 16, 1999

NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: JOHN REYNOLDS

SUBJECT: SEEKS PRESIDENT'S REDRESS IN THE CASE  
SURROUNDING MR. LEONARD PELTIER, AND OJIBAWA-  
SIOUX, WHO HAS BEEN INCARCERATED FOR THE PAST  
23-YEARS IN LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY, KANSAS

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JOHN REYNOLDS, M.P.  
West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast

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April 7, 1999

CONSTITUENCY

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President Bill Clinton,  
White House,  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to seek your redress in the case surrounding Mr. Leonard Peltier, and Ojibawa-Sioux from North Dakota, who has been incarcerated for the past 23 years in Leavenworth Penitentiary, Kansas, on two life sentences for the murder of two FBI agents on the Pine Ridge Reservation near Wounded Knee, South Dakota in 1975.

I know Mr. President, you are painfully aware of the shoot out at the Pine Ridge Reservation, which took the lives of the FBI agents. It was an unfortunate chapter in native affairs, and not exclusive to your country.

Mr. President, in the fall of 1992, while campaigning in the State of Florida, you expressed concern with the conviction and incarceration of Mr. Peltier, and said at the time you would consider commuting Mr. Peltier's sentence. Since that time, here in Canada, there has been an exhaustive review of the Peltier extradition and an intensive study of the evidence that facilitated Mr. Peltier's extradition to the United States. The authenticity of the evidence provided by the leading witness, has been determined fraudulent.

Mr. Peltier's health is deteriorating and he requires surgery on his jaw. Treatment at the Mayo Clinic has been denied by prison officials. Mr. President, I turn to you, to first ask for your intervention in seeking remedy for Mr. Peltier's physical condition and to respectfully remind you of your 1992 pledge to work to have Leonard Peltier released from prison. In your capacity as President of the United States of America and as a man known for his defence of human rights, I seek your intercession on behalf of Mr. Peltier.

As chief justice critic for Her Majesty's Official Opposition in the Canadian Parliament, I ask your assistance. May divine Providence continue to guide your deliberations in the plethora of national and international issues that summon your attention and conviction.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "John Reynolds", written over a horizontal line.

John Reynolds, MP  
West Vancouver-Sunshine Coast



Charles Ruff  
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Washington DC 20503

*Dear Mr. President Clinton,*

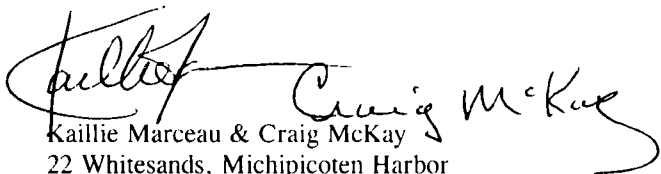
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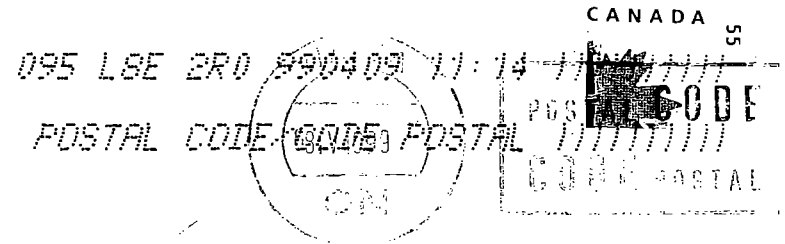
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Wawa, ON Canada P0S 1K0  
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Cc. The Honourable Anne Mc Clellan, Warden Booker, Ms. Kathleen Hawk, President Clinton, Roger C Adams

Charles Ruff  
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725 17th St. NW  
Washington DC 20503



Rita Brauner  
Upper flat  
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April 12, 1999

President William J Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington DC 20500  
USA

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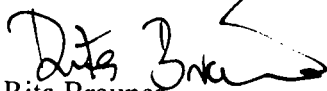
**Re: Leonard Peltier- Executive Clemency**

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Between 1973 and 1976 over sixty Indigenous people were murdered on the Pine Ridge Reservation. None of these murders have ever been investigated. What does this say to Indigenous peoples and conscientious non-Indigenous peoples when a government seems to show no concerns over the deaths of members of First Nations but yet will go to any length to blame the deaths of two FBI agents on an Indigenous person, even without real evidence. Why should Native Americans and other people have faith in the U.S. justice system when you have ignored millions of letters and phone calls voicing their justified indignation with the continued incarceration of Leonard Peltier.? Why should Native Americans and others have faith in the justice system when the government convicted Leonard Peltier of first degree murder, but when the evidence was impeached during an appeal, this charge was changed to aiding and abetting? Leonard Peltier's co-defendants were found innocent on grounds of self-defence.

**I strongly urge you to grant executive clemency to Leonard Peltier especially as Leonard is suffering from severe health conditions.** Many people internationally know about Leonard Peltier's case and through our campaigning many more people are hearing about him. The prolonged imprisonment of Leonard Peltier cannot be justified. Leonard Peltier filed for executive clemency five years ago. Please do not send me a form letter stating that his petition is still under review by the justice department. **Instead, please look into his case and take immediate action.** Thank you.

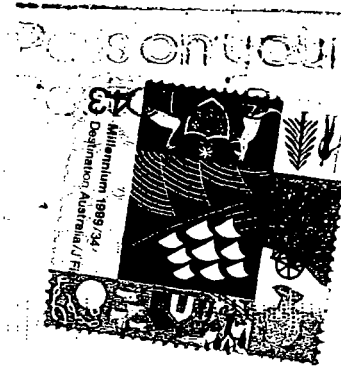
Yours sincerely,

  
Rita Brauner

cc. US Pardon Attorney Mr. Roger C. Adams  
cc. Charles Ruff

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725 17th Street NW  
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Kirchheim, April 10, 1999

The Honorable President William Jefferson Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, DC 20500  
USA

Dear Mr. President Clinton,  
Subject: Free Leonard Peltier

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Thank you.

Sincerely,



CC: Mr. Roger C. Adams, US Pardon Attorney  
Mr. Charles Ruff  
Ms. Kathleen Hawk, Director, Bureau of Prisons  
Mr. Warden Booker, Leavenworth Federal Prison

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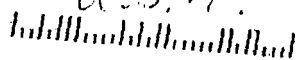
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Subject: Urges Pres. Pardon of Leonard Peltier

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President Bill Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington DC 20500

03 November 1999

CC: U.S. Pardon Attorney  
Roger C. Adams

CC: Charles Ruff  
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CC: Deputy Attorney General  
Mr. Eric Holder

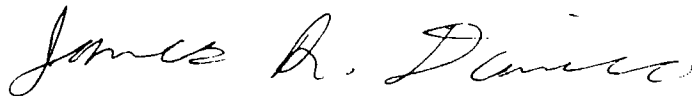
Dear President Clinton:

I am writing to you as a concerned citizen in regards to the well being of a Native American prisoner of the United States, Leonard Peltier. As you may know, Mr. Peltier has garnered international attention due to the circumstances surrounding his case. There are many of those, including myself, who believe that there is an overwhelming amount of evidence that points towards his innocence.

Mainly, my objection is to the fact that he was convicted in a time of overwhelming hostility towards Native Americans and other minorities. There is very little doubt that race was a deciding factor in his conviction. In addition, documents have come to light demonstrating that the Federal Bureau of Investigators and other law enforcement offices had organized a campaign to repress minority civil rights groups, like the American Indian Movement, of which Mr. Peltier was a part of the time, and the Black Panther party. It is illegal to use the a person's political affiliation to justify conviction.

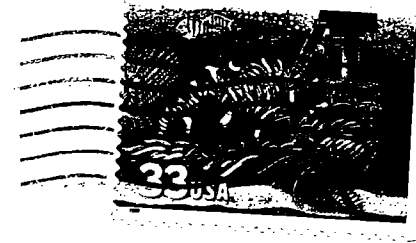
As proof of the racial bias in the court system, in 1990 the Supreme Court upheld the right to use past political affiliation as evidence for the conviction in the case of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the prominent imprisoned African American journalist and outspoken detractor of the issue of race in the justice system. Yet 17 months later, the Supreme Court overturned the death sentence of a Delaware man because prosecutors had presented at his sentencing hearing evidence of his affiliation with the fascist Aryan Brotherhood. It has become clear, recently, that the FBI is not above the use of force and martial law, such as FBI's COINTELPRO to destabilize African American and other minority groups and FBI's involvement in Waco. This travesty of justice has gone on long enough and the American people will not stand idly by any longer. Until Mr. Peltier receives the fair trial he deserves, we will continue to call for his release and do whatever is necessary in order to win his freedom.

Sincerely,



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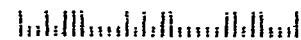


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**INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

**DATE OF LETTER:** 11/1/99

**NAME/ADDRESS OF CORRESPONDENT:**

The Honorable Joseph R. Pitts  
U.S. House of Representatives

**SUBJECT:**

Encloses letter from his constituent Uriah and Carol Peterson regarding a pardon for Leonard Peltier

**ROUTED TO:**

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**THE WHITE HOUSE**

**WASHINGTON**

**November 18, 1999**

**MEMORANDUM FOR BETH NOLAN  
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT**

**FROM: CHARLES M. BRAIN  
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS**

**SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

Attached please find a copy of a letter sent to the President from Rep. Joseph R. Pitts (R-PA).

I do not believe this letter requires a Presidential response at this time. Please review the attached letter and respond directly to the Member(s) of Congress. Please forward a copy of the response to the Office of Records Management, Room 72 Old Executive Office Building.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Courtney Crouch, Office of Legislative Affairs, at 456-7500.

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 18, 1999

Dear Representative Pitts:

Thank you for forwarding to the President correspondence from your constituents, Uriah and Carol Peterson, requesting a Presidential pardon for Mr. Leonard Peltier.

You can be assured that this case will be thoroughly reviewed, and you will receive a response in the near future. In the meantime, if I can be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles M. Brain". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Charles M. Brain  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
and Deputy Director for Legislative  
Affairs

The Honorable Joseph R. Pitts  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

**JOSEPH R. PITTS**  
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November 1, 1999

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The Honorable William J. Clinton  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500



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Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed, please find a copy of correspondence from my constituents Uriah and Carol Peterson. I have forwarded their correspondence to you because only the office of the President has the power to pardon convicts. As you will find, my constituents are concerned about Leonard Peltier, a Native American imprisoned for the murders of two FBI agents.

Please address your response directly to my constituents. Don't hesitate to contact me should you have any questions on this matter.

Cordially,

Joseph R. Pitts  
Member of Congress

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OCT 13 1999

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Sept 20, 1999

To: Congressman Joseph A. Pitts

My name is Uriah Peterson. I am 11 and a homeschooled in the 6th grade. I am writing to you about Leonard Peltier. He is a Native American who was put in prison for a crime he didn't do. I think the case against A & M member, Leonard Peltier, should be re-opened. He is sick and his family needs him. He has been in jail along time. Please help free him.

Thank you

Uriah Peterson



OCT 13 1999

September 7, 1999

To: Congressman J. R. Pitts

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I am writing to you about a Native American named Leonard Peltier. After the Pine Ridge incident in the 70's, he was put in prison for a crime he didn't commit. The Waco Case is being re-opened. It is the perfect time to re-open the case against AIM member Leonard Peltier. The FBI held back evidence that would prove him innocent. His health is failing. His family needs him. He has been in jail for almost 23 years for something he didn't do. He could use your full support. Please look into this matter. Thank you,

Carol Peterson  
Coatesville, PA.

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Name of Correspondent: Bruce Davis☐ MI Mail Report

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Subject: Pardon Leonard Pelitier

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Oct. 23, 1999

President Bill Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As an American citizen and taxpayer, I applaud your recognition of Indigenous Americans by proclaiming November "Native American Heritage Month."

With this in mind, I can think of no more appropriate or opportune time in which to request that you grant immediate clemency to Mr. Leonard Peltier.

I believe that your timely intervention on behalf of Mr. Peltier would be a powerful force for healing the suffering endured by Native Americans for the past two centuries.

As leader of the free world, it is within your power to free Mr. Peltier. His family and his people need him.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Bruce Davis

cc: U.S. Pardon Attorney  
Roger C. Adams  
500 First Street NW, Suite 400  
Ref: Leonard Peltier # 89637-132  
Washington, DC 20530

Charles Ruff  
GI  
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President William J Clinton  
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Dear Mr. President Clinton,

**Re: Leonard Peltier- Executive Clemency**

I am writing to you with concerns about the case of Leonard Peltier. Leonard Peltier has now been incarcerated for twenty-three years despite the fact that the government has conceded on numerous occasions that they do not know who is responsible for the deaths of the agents or what part Leonard Peltier may have had in them. This is blatant disregard for justice. It exemplifies and symbolizes an attitude of racism toward First Nations Peoples by the United States government. I do not believe that relations between the Native American communities and the US government can be healed while Leonard Peltier remains behind bars.

Between 1973 and 1976 over sixty Indigenous people were murdered on the Pine Ridge Reservation. None of these murders have ever been investigated. What does this say to Indigenous peoples and conscientious non-Indigenous peoples when a government seems to show no concerns over the deaths of members of First Nations but yet will go to any length to blame the deaths of two FBI agents on an Indigenous person, even without real evidence. Why should Native Americans and other people have faith in the U.S. justice system when you have ignored millions of letters and phone calls voicing their justified indignation with the continued incarceration of Leonard Peltier.? Why should Native Americans and others have faith in the justice system when the government convicted Leonard Peltier of first degree murder, but when the evidence was impeached during an appeal, this charge was changed to aiding and abetting? Leonard Peltier's co-defendants were found innocent on grounds of self-defence.

**I strongly urge you to grant executive clemency to Leonard Peltier especially as Leonard is suffering from severe health conditions.** Many people internationally know about Leonard Peltier's case and through our campaigning many more people are hearing about him. The prolonged imprisonment of Leonard Peltier cannot be justified. Leonard Peltier filed for executive clemency five years ago. Please do not send me a form letter stating that his petition is still under review by the justice department. **Instead, please look into his case and take immediate action.** Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

  
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cc. US Pardon Attorney Mr. Roger C. Adams  
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