SUMMARY OF DEMANDS

1. End Administrative Abuse and Group Punishment.

2. Abolish the Debriefing Policy, and Modify Active/inactive Gang Status Criteria. Prisoners should not be categorized and punished as gang members just because another prisoner says they are part of a gang in order to get out of the SHU.

3. Comply with U.S. Commission on Safety and Abuse in America’s Prisons 2006 recommendations regarding an end to long-term solitary confinement. Provide SHU prisoners immediate meaningful access to adequate natural sunlight, quality health care and treatment, transfer all Pelican Bay-SHU prisoners with chronic health care problems to the New Folsom Medical SHU Facility.

4. Provide Adequate Food. Cease the practice of denying adequate food as punishment, and provide wholesome nutritional meals including special diets, and allow inmates to purchase additional vitamin supplements.

5. Expand and Provide Constructive Programming and Privileges for Indefinite SHU Status Prisoners. Such as visitation, phone calls, mail, radio, etc.
Artwork by Kevin "Rashid" Johnson, Minister of Defense of the New Afrikan Black Panther Party (Prison Chapter), who has been held in segregation since 1994. Write to Rashid at Kevin "Rashid" Johnson, #1007485, Red Onion State Prison, P.O. Box 1900, Pound, VA, USA 24279 or see his artwork and read his writings at www.rashidmod.com

Starting on July 1, 2011, prisoners at the Pelican Bay Security Handling Unit and elsewhere throughout California have been refusing food, on hunger strike to resist the inhumane conditions of their imprisonment. This has the potential to become the most significant event in California prison reform in the last decade. Public support is crucial; to get involved check out prisonerhungerstrikesolidarity.wordpress.com or telephone 510-444-0484.

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