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We are here to protest the latest outrage in a series against the twelve Black people now held captive in the Atlanta Stockade for protesting the dying of Black men in the racist illegal War in Vietnam.

First of all, the twelve were seized illegally by the Atlanta Police as they demonstrated at the Induction Center in protest of the dying of Black men in the racist illegal War in Vietnam.

They were subjected to a "KANGAROO Court Trial" under racist Judge T.C. Little who prejudiced himself by saying that because he had a son in Vietnam who is fighting to defend the principles of this country he had to give the protestors maximum sentences.

Thirdly, Dwight Williams was brutally beaten under the orders of Captain Redding inside the jail. Part of this beastiality was witnessed by William's attorney, Attorney Howard Moore.

In keeping with this country's scheme to emasculate Black men, the ten men were forced to shave their beards and mustaches. We know of no law that Black men wearing beards violate.

We protest the holding of Donald Stone and Simuel Shutz in the County Jail five days after their bond had been paid. We demand that the five days be credited to their sentences at the Atlanta Stockade.

On Sunday August 4, we were not permitted to see Robert Moore and Larry Fox because they were in the hole. Both Moore and Fox suffer from Hay Fever. Both had been assigned to work in a dusty area which would only heighten their hay fever miseries. They asked to be transferred to a less dusty detail. Instead, they were thrown in the hole. This was on Thursday. Fox, who refuses to cooperate with the beastial and unjust penal system, has been on a hunger strike since incarceration, August 18.

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The stockade physician a racist bigot who cannot deal with Black Men. Therefore if any of the group gets sick, there is no one to treat them.

The group is completely isolated from the rest of the prisoners. We charge that this is a form of political harassment just as the illegal arrest and sadistic beating of one of our workers, Robert Weaver.

We also note that the City Jail, Atlanta Stockade, and the Fulton County Jail are blatantly segregated in spite of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

If these conditions are not corrected and we continue to get reports of cruel beastial treatment of prisoners, then we will have to return to earlier forms of demonstrations, including sitting in at the Mayor's office.