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To Whom It May Concern,

I as a resident of Upperwash in the Town of Bosque have been asked to describe the aftermath of the Labour Day takeover of the Provincial Park in September 1995.

Although I agree that the Military Base should have been returned to the natives of Kettle and Stony Point years ago, I cannot agree with the violent and lawless takeover of the base and the violence that erupted during the illegal occupation by these same natives in the Park. No special interest group has the right to break the laws of this province or country to further their own agenda.

I find it difficult to explain the aura of fear and mistrust that has evolved in this community and rules uppermost my daily life. I have endured four years of stress, anxiety and financial burden over the West Upperwash Land claim, which is still not settled and will not be for years to come. This occupation of the Provincial Park and the fighting amongst themselves (The natives) has produced an



to rectify this state of affairs.

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I do not want to start my retirement years with nothing after years of toil.

I do not want to believe my government would allow this to happen. I would like to know for sure that this whole community will be treated justly and fairly in this time of strife both native and non native. So far this has not happened. This community needs to know that we will be safe, that our livelihood will be protected, and that our losses will be considered for reimbursement. We have no control in this situation, but someone in this government should have and should exercise that control now.

Respectfully Submitted  
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