## UNITED NATIONS PERMANENT FORUM ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ISSUES EIGHTH SESSION NEW YORK, 18<sup>TH</sup>- 29<sup>TH</sup>, MAY 2009 AGENDA ITEM #8

STATEMENT BY

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Provisional agenda for the ninth session of the permanent forum: Item #4 and #5 included on the agenda

- 1. Madame Chairperson, I am Queen Mother Dr. Delois Blakely, the Community Mayor of Harlem, {also known as my indigenous name is "GREASE WOOD WOMAN" named by Elder Little John-Hopi-Navajo Land} representing 55 Million Displaced African Descendants in the North Americas and the Diaspora. I call on this ninth session of the permanent forum to hold a dialogue with a Special Rapporteur on human rights of the 55 million Displaced Africans of the Middle Passage of the Transatlantic Ocean of the Slave Trade.
- 2. Establish commissions to address these issues
- 3. Partnership with the United Nations agencies: UNICEF, UNDP, WHO, HABITAT, AND UNESCO
- 4. Establish on Goree Island {Dakar, Senegal} the historical site declared by the United Nations, {UNESCO} as the most visited sited in the World of the Slave House, a place for the Hip Hop Generation to return home to Africa with the view to facilitate compassion, education, cultural understanding, and the cleansing, healing and spiritual awakening or spiritual renewal for the Displaced African Descendants.
- 5. The Hip-Hop Generation is killing themselves in the streets of New York City near the United Nations Headquarters, because they are cut off from their roots of who they are and suffer from psychoneurosis. At the United Nations a Slave Monument is being erected to memorialize our Ancestors of the Slave Trade.
- 6. For forty {40} years I have been in this institution when a group of us supported this permanent forum of indigenous peoples.

Madame Chairperson, permanent members of Indigenous Peoples, member States of the United Nations, I Queen Mother Dr. Delois Blakely, Community Mayor of Harlem, represent 55 million African Descendants in the North Americas and the Diaspora. I am also the Queen Mother of the Middle Passage of the Trans-Atlantic Ocean of the Slave Trade for an unbroken period of 500 years, where we were sold as commodities. **This is the Greatest Crime ever Committed Against Humanity**.

- 1. We, Displaced African Descendants, call on the permanent forum to support us in our struggle to become a part of the human race making us whole again.
- 2. We urge the permanent forum to call upon the Economic and Social Council to present to the United Nations General Assembly our blight and abuse of human rights as we continue to lobby Member States.
- 3. We urge the permanent forum to call upon the United Nations General Assembly to declare this a Crime against Humanity.
- 4. In the Spirit of Queen Mother Audley Moore and my Ancestors of the Slave Trade, we call for Reparations.

I thank you.



QUEEN MOTHER DR. DELOIS
BLAKELY, PRAYING AT
THE DOOR OF NO RETURN
IN
GOREE ISLAND
DAKAR, SENEGAL