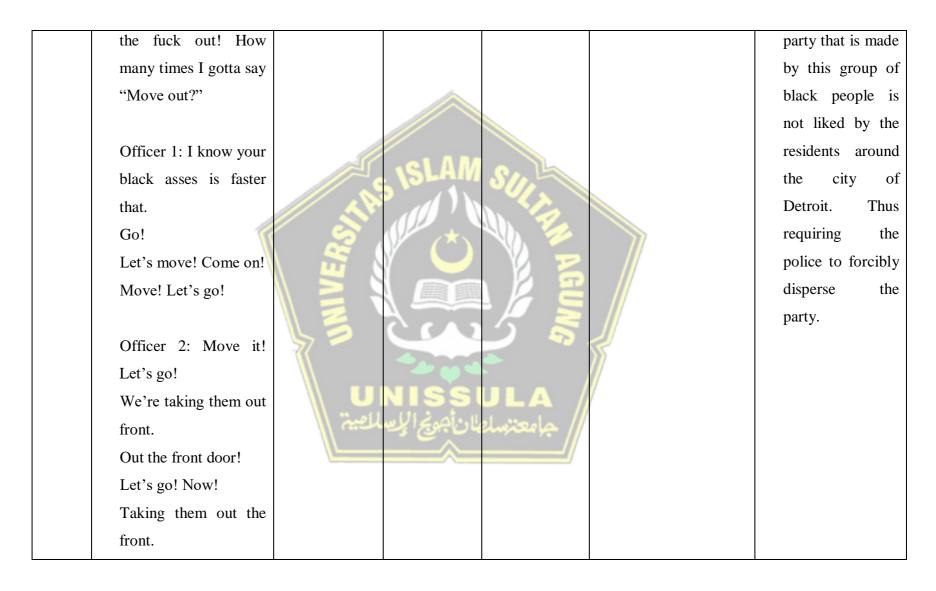
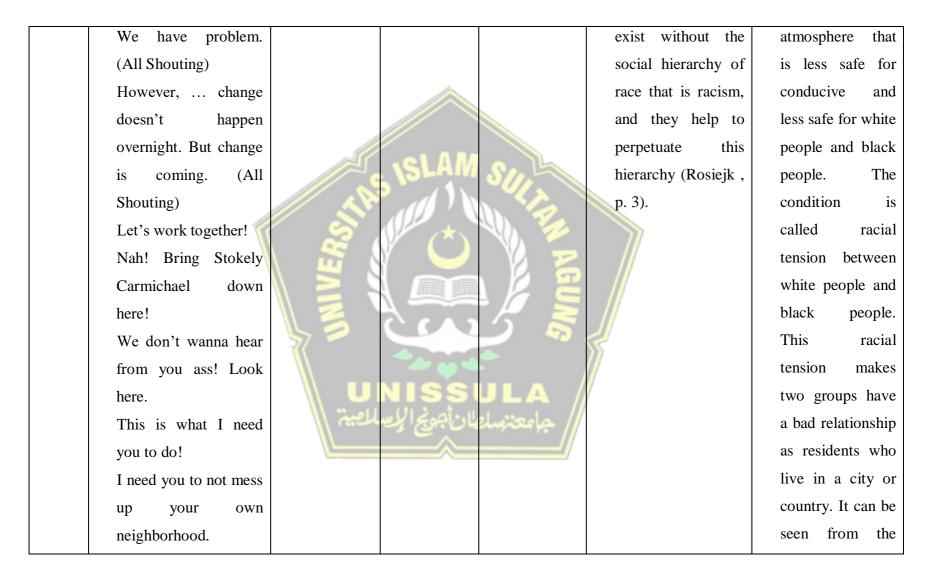
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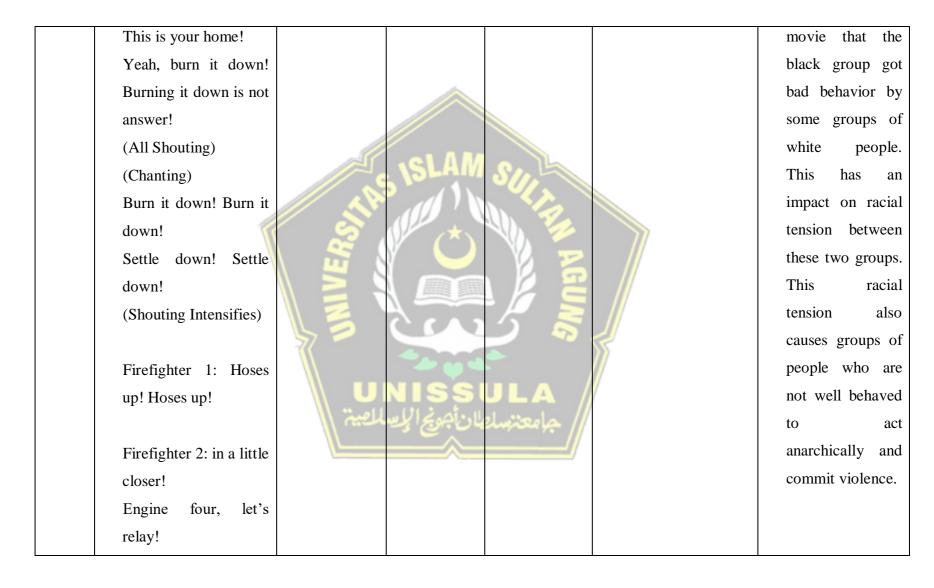
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1.	Officer 1: Party's	Dialogue	00.04.47	Racism	Racism can be	Acts of racism
	over, folks. Let's go!				defined as any	still often occur
	You hear him. Put		00.05.21		policy, belief,	in two different
	your drinks down and	***		V Z	attitude, or inaction,	racial groups,
	step out the door.				which subordinates	especially for
				7	individual or group	white people and
	Officer Frank: I				based on their race	black people.
	thought I was very	\\			(Wolf and Guin, p.	Those who feel
	clear! Let's go! Come		NISSI	JLA /	2).	that their group is
	on! Out of here! Let's	لماصية \	لمان أجونيح الركس	// جامعتنسك		superior is the
	go! Come on!		<u> </u>			one who has
						more power. As
	Officer Frank:					well as this movie
	Congratulation. Get					shows that the



2.	Male Newscaster:	Monologu	00.09.30	Racism	Racism is the	With one group
	Striking from as far as	e	_		prejudice,	that feels they are
	three miles		00.09.53		discrimination, or	strong, they make
	away from this				antagonism directed	other groups of
	west side ghetto,		-1 0 00		against someone of	people feel
	where it all began		ISLAIM	SI	a different race or	weaker because
	early this morning				within one's own	they are not
	with a police raid		*		race on the believe	treated well in
	on an after-hours	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \		V Z	that one superior	their
	drinking parlor.				(Peter A, p. 1).	environment.
	There have been some					This can be seen
	reports of gunfire.			<b>→</b>		in the movie
	Police are under	\\			//	where after a
	orders not to fire.	\\ U	NISSI	JLA //		party made by
	More than 200 looters	لملصية \	باناجونجالك	// جامعتنسك		black people was
	have been arrested so		<b>─</b>			forcibly dispersed
	far.					by the local
	Police officials say					police. This
	they do not have					incident offended

	enough man to					the black people
	worry much about the					living in the area
	looters.					where the party
	They are there to					was taking place.
	protect the firemen.		-1 5 5 5			So that many of
	But that is why you		ISLAIM	SI		them commit acts
	elected me. (Shouting)	AP.				of violence.
	To bringing about		*			
	change. But during					
	this time, it's					
	important that we all					
	settle down. (Angry			~		
	Shouting Continues) –	\\	-			
	Settle yourself!		NISSI	JLA /	/	
3.	Conyers: I'm angry,	Dialogue	00.09.56	Racial	Racial tension and	From this act of
	too.			Tension	racial distrust are	violence carried
	This city has		00.11.31		both a result of and	out by groups of
	problems, especially				a casus of racism.	black people, it
	with the policemen.				They would not	creates an

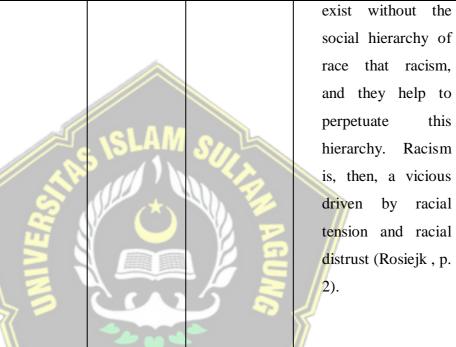




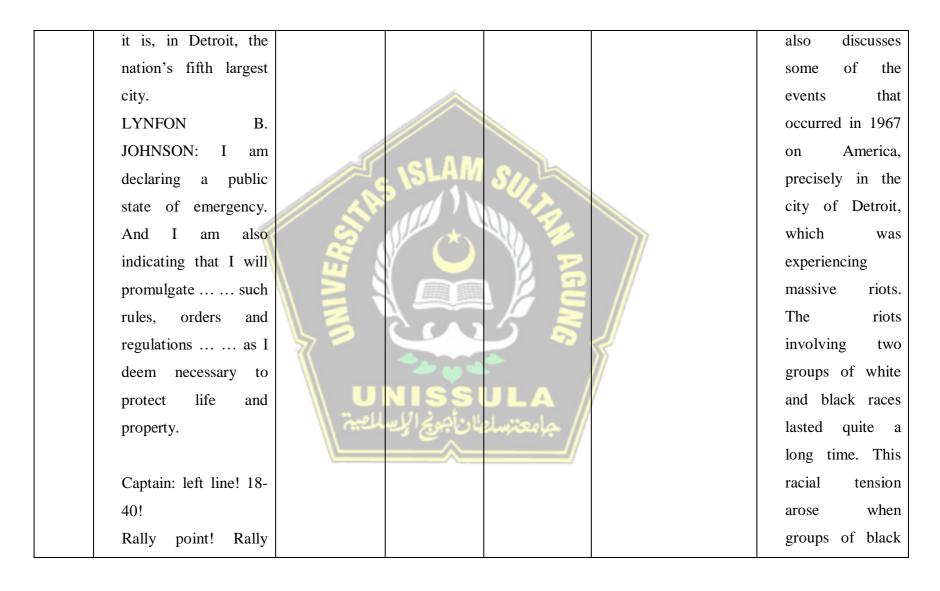
	Come on! Roll it					
	back!					
	You gotta roll it back.					
	Rioter: this	~	01 // 88			
	motherfucker burn!		ISLAIM	SI		
	(All Shouting)					
	What the fuck!		*			
	\			V Z		
	Firefighter 3: let's					
	move back! Come on!					
	Get out of here!	77		•		
	(Siren Walling)	\\			//	
	(Shouting)		NISSI	JLA /		
4.	Male Newscaster:	monologue	00.11.50	Racial	Racial tension and	Racial tension are
	Here in Detroit, a city			Tension	racial distrust are	growing between
	of war		00.14.27		both a result of and	these two groups
	where sniper hide				a cause of racism.	black people and
	on rooftops,the				they would not	white people. In

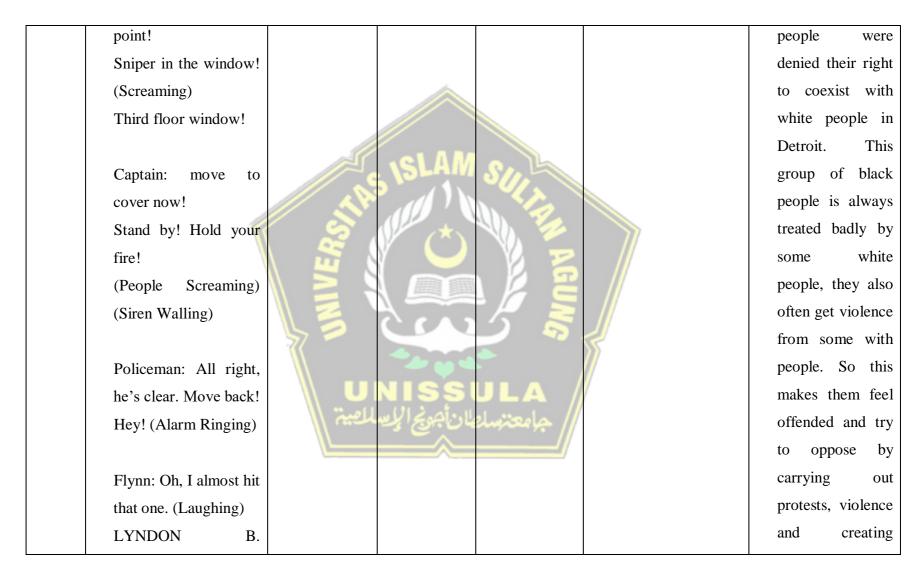
violence continues. US Army paratroopers, National Guardsmen, states and local police... Are continuing the fight against a handful of snipers. On the city's west side, a 150 block area is off limits to everybody. This is no man's land, an area of destruction and devastation.

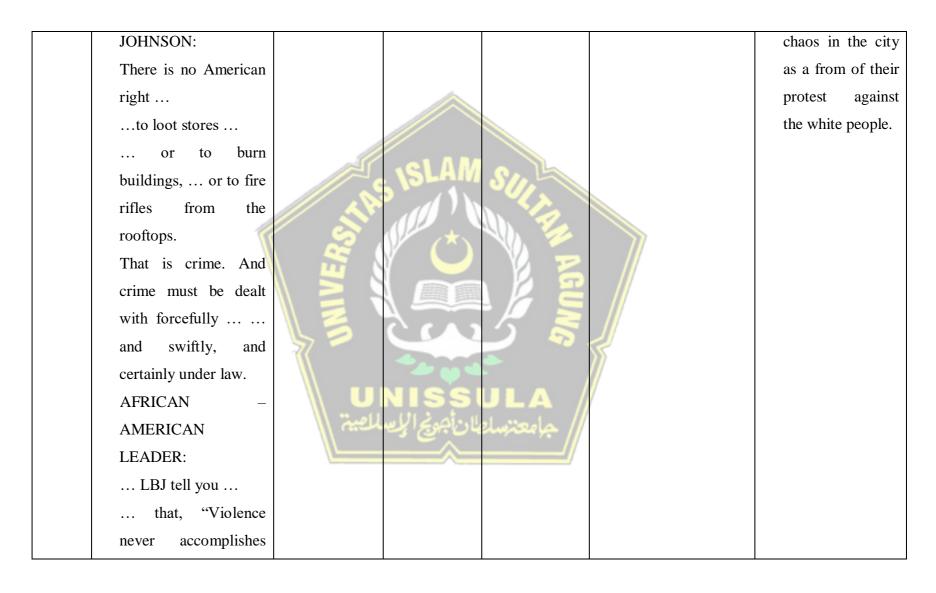
ABC newsman Tom McIntyre says... ... it's hard to believe that this could happen in America. But here

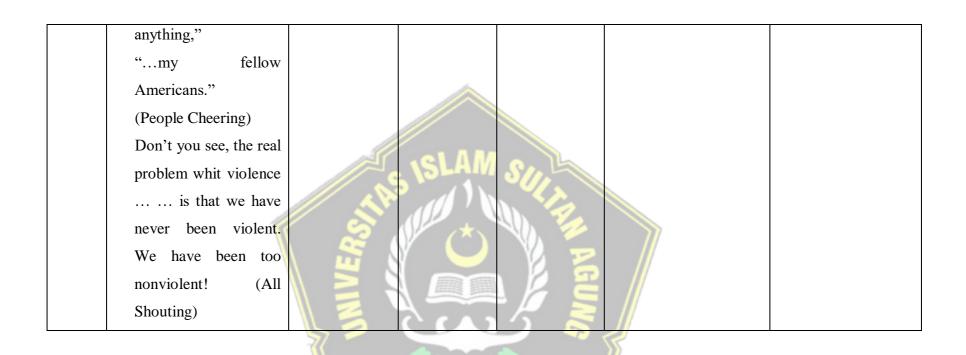


America the racial tension caused by racial committed acts by white people to black people makes them feel that they are not being treated well in the city they live in. so that it racial distrust which is also directly related to tensions racial occur in that these two racial groups. In this Detroit movie, it





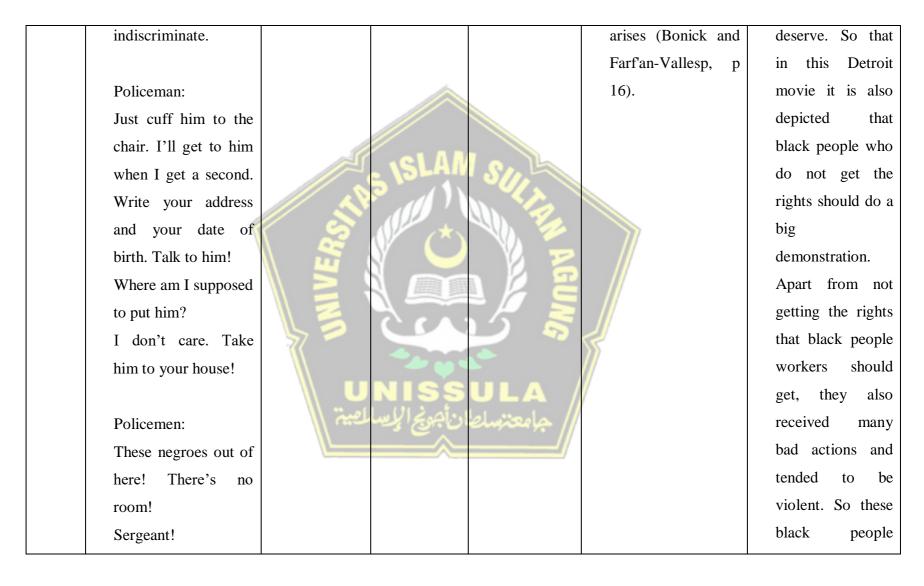


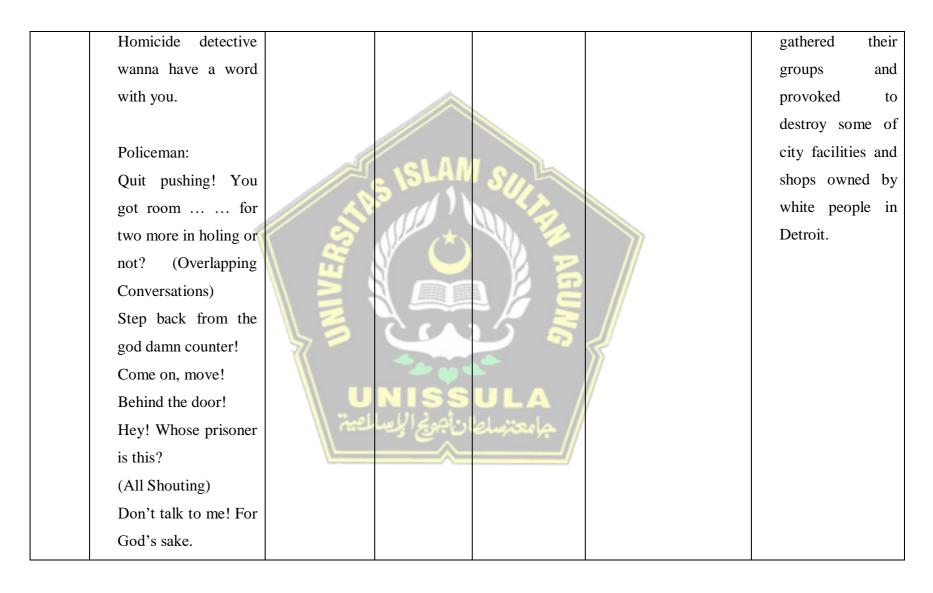


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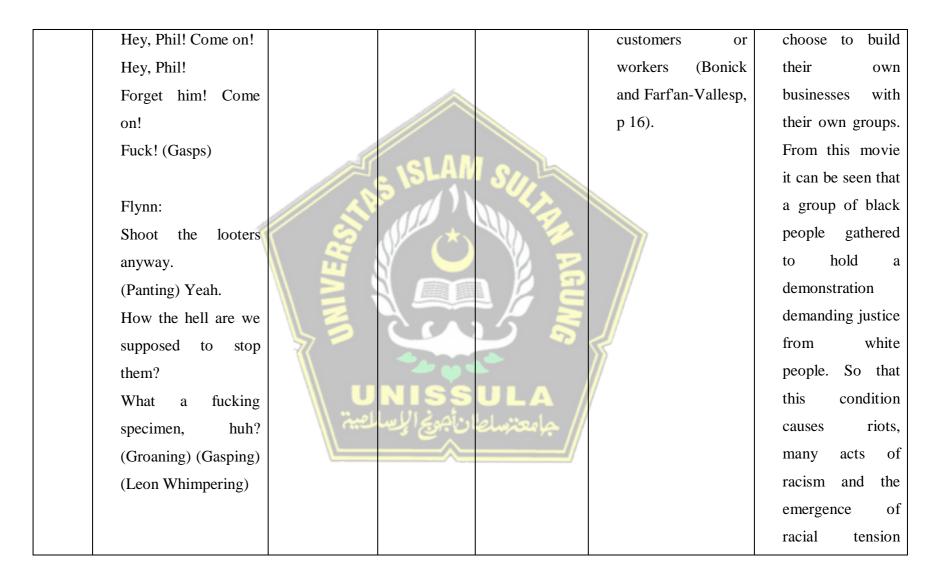
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				Analysis)		
1.	Male Reporter:	Monologu	00.17.29	Impact of	One of the main	The existence of
	1,100 National	e and	-	Economy	impacts of racism	racism in a city
	Guardsmen	Dialogue	00.18.21		on the economy is	affect economic
	have been rushed		- 1 A B		the segregation of	growth and
	into as many areas		SISLAN	SI	markets with rich	development in
	as they can cover,				racial-information	that city. This
	protecting police.	5	() ×		into different racial	economic impact
	Looters carry off	\ <b>\</b>			sub-markets. In	is also a trigger
	thousands of dollars'	$\geq$		a 📙 🚟	those markets	for racial tensions
	worth of goods				where race is more	between the two
	with a gay sort of	\hat{\begin{align*}		-	visible, such as	racial groups.
	leisure. Many negro	\\			labor, credit, real	Racial tensions
	shop owners put	\\ U	NISS	ULA /	state or personal	arise because
	signs reading	لصية \\	انأجونيحالإسا	// جامعتسك	services, racism can	many black
	"Soul Brother" to		<b>─</b>		cause distortions	people who have
	avoid damage. But				when, because of	worked for white
	the fire bombers and				racism, a	people do not get
	looters are				transaction cost	the rights they

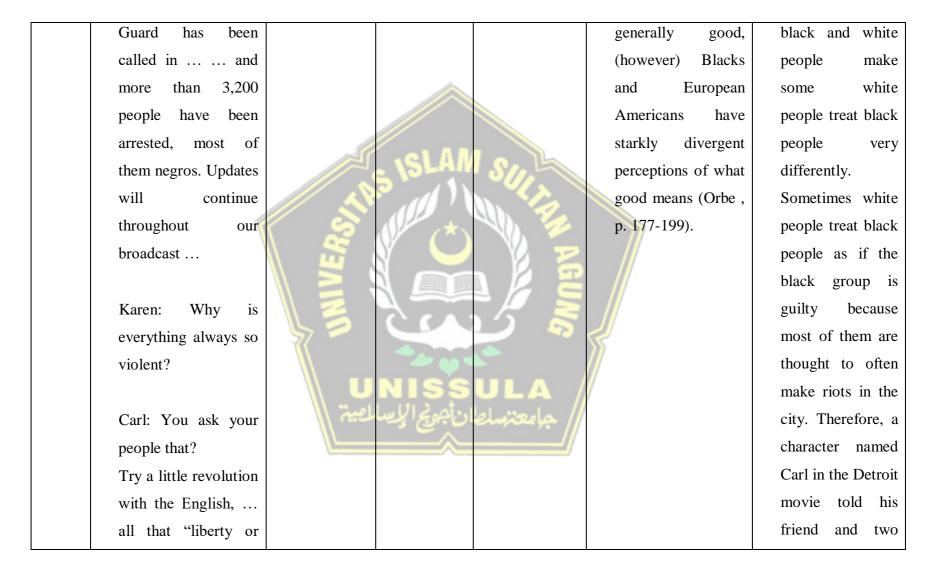


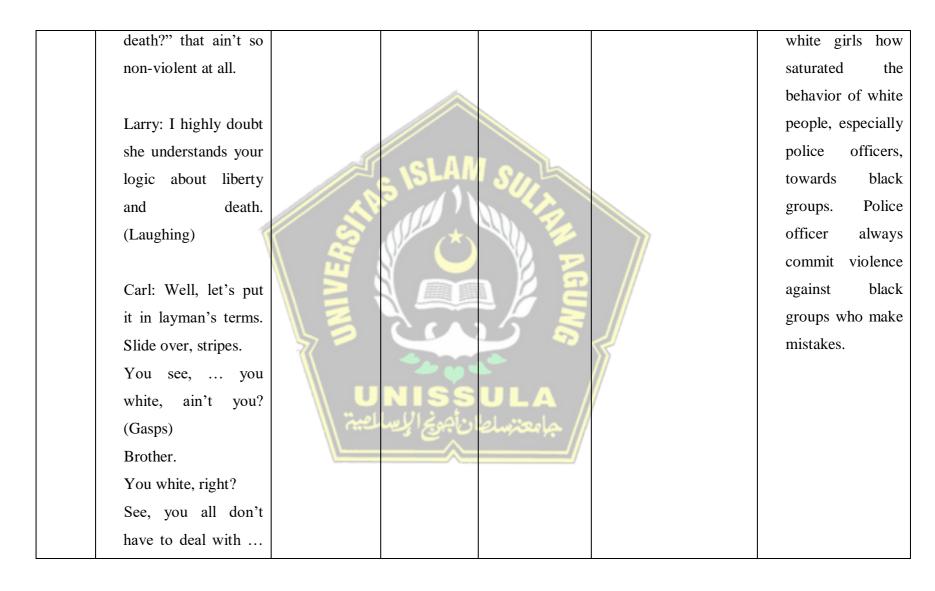


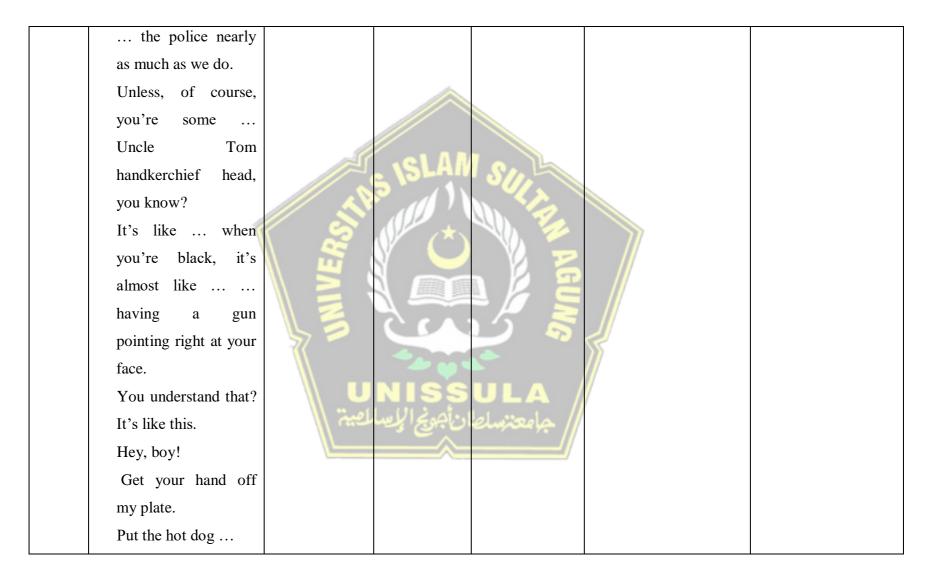
2.	Krauss:	Dialogue	00.15.55	Impact of	This mean that, for	As in the
	Failing these people.		_	Economy	instance, one unit of	quotation of the
	They're looking them		00.16.48		labor coming from	journal, it is
	down				one racial group,	assumed that
	left, right, and		- 1 A B		will not be treated	every black
	center. Take this		SLAN	SI	as a perfect	worker will not
	motherfucker right	1	<b>?</b>		substitute of one	be treated like an
	here. Halt! (Tires	5	() * ·	W. 📁	equivalent unit of	expert worker
	Screech)	EA			labor from another	from the white
	Halt!			a 📙 🚆	racial group even if	group, because
	Halt! (Guns Cocking)				they are equivalent	they consider
	Get back! (Shouting)	\bar{\bar{\bar{\bar{\bar{\bar{\bar{\bar		<b>→</b>	in reality. At	black worker
		\\			macroeconomic	unable to work
	Demens:	\\ U	NISS	ULA /	level this	beyond the
	Hey! (Grunts)	لصية \	انأجونج الإسا	// جامعتنسك	transaction cost will	experts. So that
			<b>─</b>		act like a tax or	many black
	Krauss:				tariff on the	workers who
	Get back off the				discriminated	choose to stop
	street! (Whimpering)				producers,	working and



						between white
						people and black
						people in the city
						of Detroit. This
			- 1 A B			condition was
			SISLAN	SI		also used by some
			<i>*</i> (1)			black people to
	-	5	() ×			loot or take things
						from shop owned
				a 📙 🚟		by white people
						that were damage
						at the time of the
		\\\	-			riots.
		\\ <b>U</b>	NISS	ULA /	/	
3.	Male Newscaster:	Mo <mark>nologu</mark>	00.44.59	Differences	The majority (of	The existence of
	Continuing coverage	e and		in Attitudes	people) in the	racism that
	tonight of the	Dialogue	00.46.11	and	United Stated	creates racial
	rioting here in			Behavior	believes that race	tensions between
	Detroit. The National				relations are	the two groups of







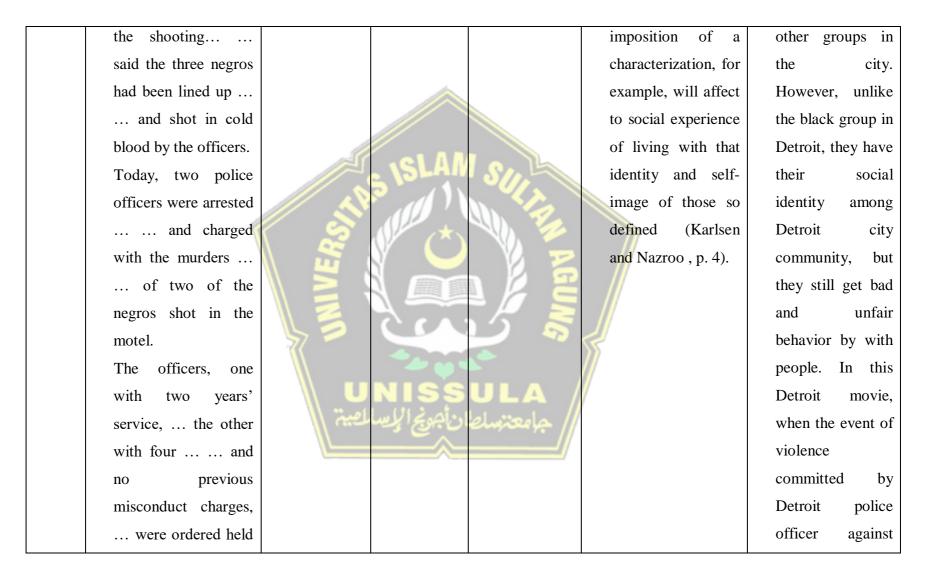
	Step away from the mustard!  Put your hands down!  Don't your nervous?		SISLAN	SULLA		
4.	Carl: You're making	dialogue	00.46.14	Differences	Racism might have	When the riots
	me nervous!		y - 🔾	in Attitudes	many aspects rather	occurred in the
			00.46.53	and <u></u>	than just a distaste	city of Detroit,
	Lee: This like police		7	Behavior	for certain racial	the police officer
	brutality or	77		~	groups. Racists may	often acted very
	something, man.	\\	• •		hold the belief that	brutally, more so
	Carl: Oh. Oh so	\\	NISS	ULA /	other racial groups,	than those who
	you gonna tell me	الصية \	ان أجويج الإيسا	// جامعتنسك	on average, have a	were black
	how to do my job		<u> </u>	//	lower average	destroyers. They
	now?				competence.	were always
	Lee: I'm not				Therefore, racism	harassing black
	Carl: so now you're				might imply a racial	people with a gun

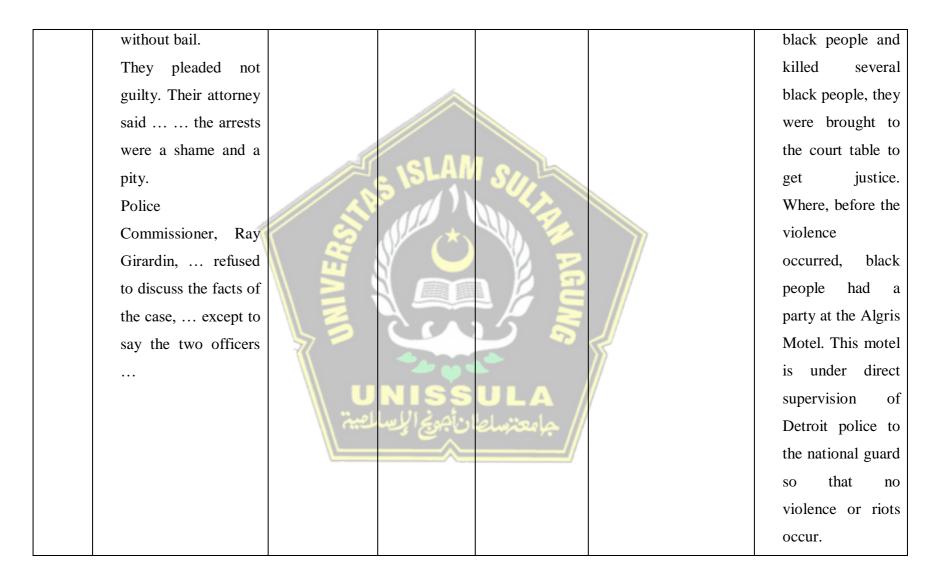


bias in the estimation of the expected returns of racially-identifiable factors, particularly labor or, the quality of goods acquired from raciallyvisible producer of certain races (Bonick and Vallespin, p. 11).

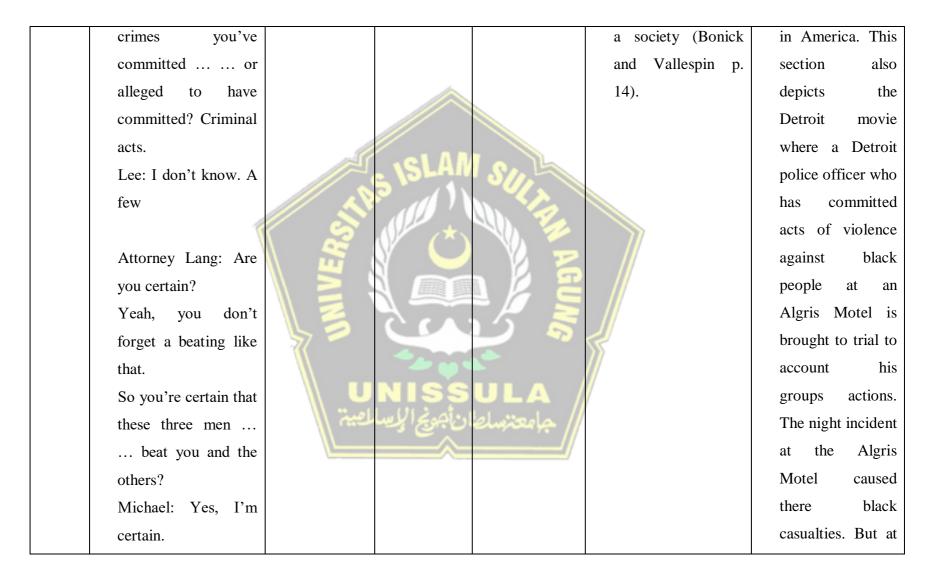
and they did not hesitate to commit violence against black people who were involved in the riots in Detroit. The black group's space was severely limited the by more powerful whites and action was also supported by local police officers. And this Detroit movie illustrated very clearly that there

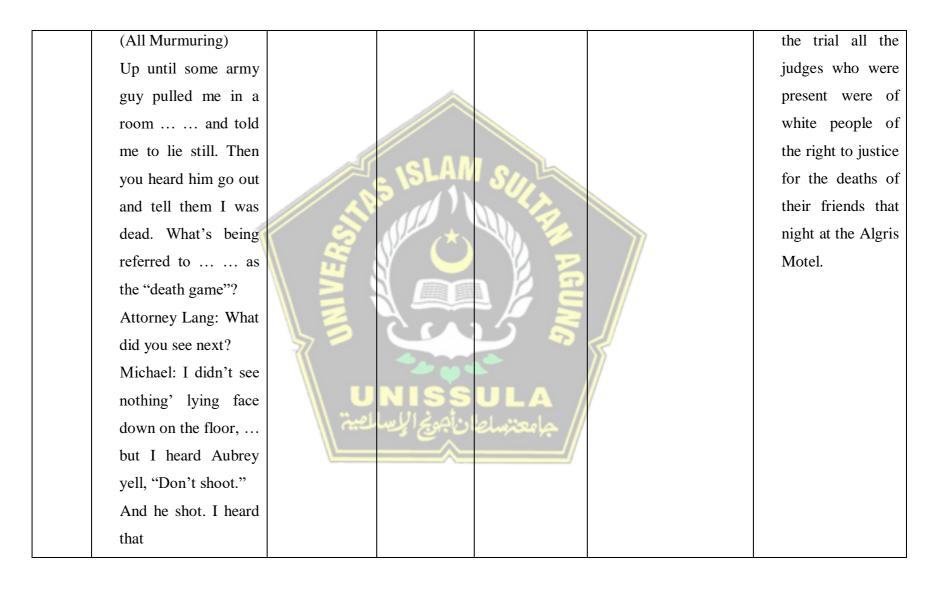
	something wrong?					are different
	I ought to blow your					attitudes and
	head right off.					action of white
	Lee: Get that gun off					people towards
	me, man.	~	01.00			black people.
	Carl: Or what, boy?		SISLAN	SIII		
	Lee: I said, get that					
	gun off	5	(*)			
	(Gunshot) (Shrieks)					
5.	Male Reporter:	Monologu	01.53.57	Social	Defining who is	Social identity is
	Of rioting in Detroit,	e	7	Identity	and what is to be a	something that is
	three negros were	77	01.54.35		member of a	really needed by a
	shot to death in a	\\	•		particular social	group that
	motel room. Police	\\	NISS	ULA /	group is seen to	occupies a new
	and the guardsmen	الصية ا	ان جويح الريسا	// جامعتنسك	involve the	city. Each group
	had raided the motel,		$\sim$		consolidation if	needs a social
	searching for				internal and	identity so that its
	snipers.				external processes:	existence can be
	Later, witnesses to				the external	recognize by

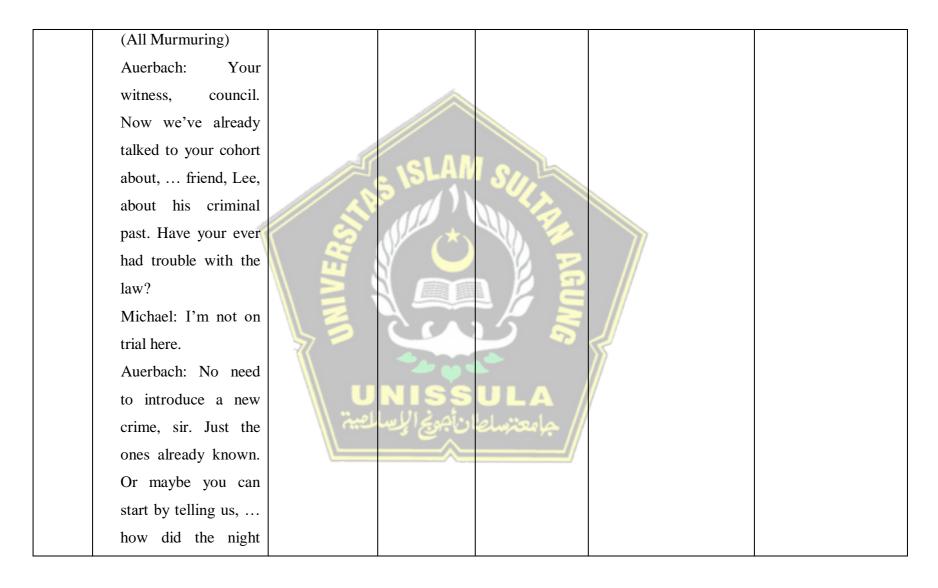


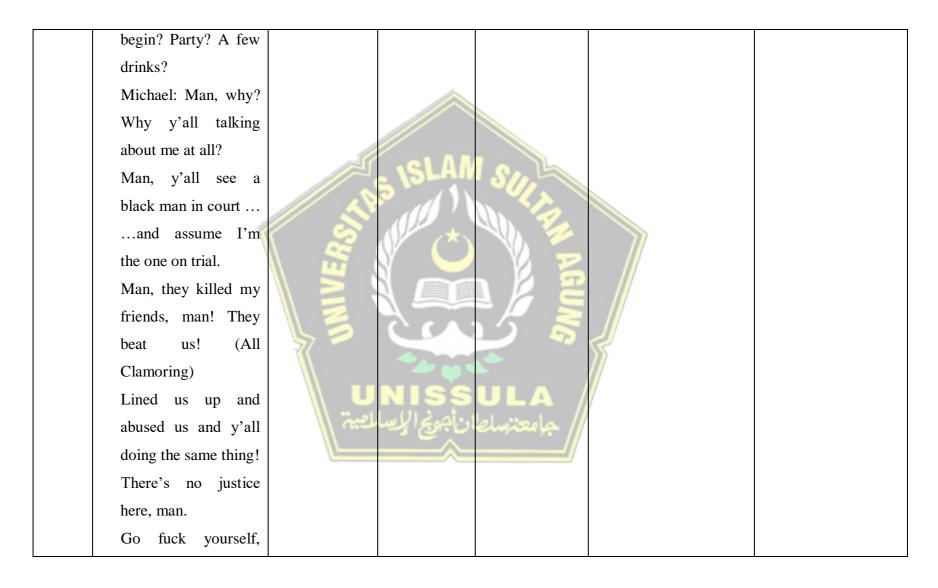


6.	Male Newscaster:	Monologu	01.56.24	Social	The effects can be	But the social
	In the Algiers Motel	e and	_	Identity	amplified by the	identity or
	case, both the	Dialogue	02.02.05		fact that such	existence of black
	prosecution and the				behavior can	people is still a
	defense in their		-1.55		influencer the social	concern for some
	opening statements		SLAN	SI	norms and force	white people who
	reminded the	1	<i>(</i> ())		non-racists to	do not support
	all-white jury of the	5	() ×	<b>10 10</b>	behave in racist	racism. White
	racial violence	EA			ways or, at least be	people who do
	that seared Detroit			a 📙 🚆	silent when	not like racism
	two summer ago.				observing racist	against black
		\hat{\begin{align*}		<b>—</b>	behavior. One	people actually
	Auerbach: A night in	\\	-	_	aspect neglected so	provide
	jail?	\\ U	NISS	ULA /	far in the economics	opportunities for
	Have you been	لمصية \	انأجونجا لليسا	// جامعتسك	literature, is that	black groups so
	arrested?		<b>─</b>		racism, when it	that they can get
	How many night and				reaches a certain	the rights they
	days have you spent				critical mass, can	should get as
	in prison for				affect the values of	people who live

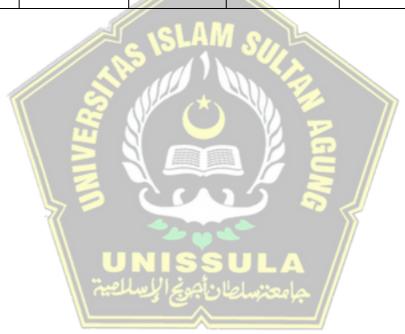








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(All Clamornig)			
(Judge Banging			
Gavel)			





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#### Detroit

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1 (CRICKETS CHIRPING) (BEES BUZZING) (CROWS CAWING)

## TRAIN CONDUCTOR:

(BELL TOLLING)

(PEOPLE SHOUTING INDISTINCTLY)

(GLASS SHATTERING)

(SHOUTING)

(SIREN WAILING)

(GRUNTING)

(DOGS BARKING)

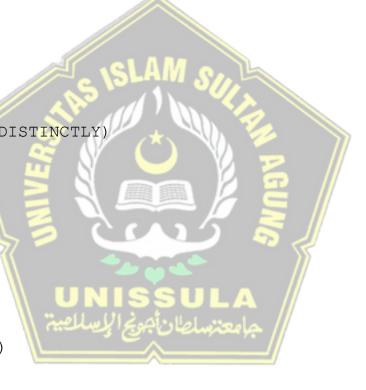
(CHURCH BELL TOLLS)

(OVERLAPPING

CONVERSATIONS)

(SIREN WAILING)

(HANDCUFFS CLICKING)



#### SERGEANT JIM:

(HORN HONKS)

(TIRES SCREECH)

All right, let's go.
(CAR DOOR SLAMS)
(MUSIC PLAYING) That's
my main man Pierce
coming back from the
war! Thank you! Thank
you, man.
(ALL CHEERING)

# (OVERLAPPING CONVERSATIONS)

#### MAN:

Hey, what's happening, Jack? Private party. Pick another card. There you go! (DOOR THUDS) Oh, I see what you're saying. There we go! (GRUNTING) Damn it! Give me that shit. Party's over! Here we go. Move on out. Move on out. Step out! Step out! Everybody out! Out! Let's go! I know you can hear me. Get the fuck up and go!

#### OFFICER 1:

you do during the week. Get out!

## - OFFICER FRANK:

- Let's get it moving!
You know how this works!
Says who?
I'm sorry?

MAN: Come in here smelling like pig juice! (ALL LAUGHING) Excuse me, miss. Thank you so much.

#### OFFICER FRANK:

What'd you say? I ain't said anybody talking...
Hey, man! (ALL SHOUTING)

Come on, man! Let me go, man! Let me go! (CONTINUES SHOUTING) Hold on a second. Get the fuck out! Get out! Get out! How many times you want me to say it? You're moving slow! Come on, man! Motherfuckers, man! Look, Frank, man. The owner split. Man, I'm sorry, but you got a room... ...full of open warrants in there. All right? Just make sure you search the women, you lazy bastard. All right. Watch your eyes. Oh, shit! (YELLS)

#### MAN:

that's not right, brother! (THUDDING CONTINUES)

# UNDERCOVER COP:

(GRUNTS) We gotta go through the front. What? You wanna take these guys out in public, Sarge? We have no fucking option.

- Go tell them. Run.
- All right.
- You dirty pig!
- Get the fuck out of here.

Anybody else? Why're we not moving?

You wanna go next? Out, out, out!

#### OFFICER 1:

party's over, folks. Let's go! You heard him.
Time to move out!
Put your drinks down and step out the door.

### OFFICER FRANK:

I thought I was very
clear!
Let's go! Come on!
Out of here! Let's go!
Come on!

#### OFFICER FRANK:

Congratulations. Get the fuck out! How many times I gotta say "Move out?"

# OFFICER 1:

I know your black asses is faster than that. Go!
Let's move! Come on!
Move! Let's go!

## OFFICER 2:

Move it! Let's go!
We're taking them out
front.
Out the front door!
Let's go! Now!
Taking them out the front.

#### OFFICER 1:

#### OFFICER 2:

(INDISTINCT SHOUTING)
Guys, sir, both sides.

#### POLICEMAN 1:

the wall. Against the wall. Let's move it. Come on.

Let's go!

Here we go. Squad's here. If they're not resisting, don't push them. (OVERLAPPING SHOUTING) Put it right there.

## POLICEMAN 1:

Right here against the wall.

Welcome home! Thank you, sir. Get out the way. Get out the way!

# POLICEMAN 2:

Hands where we can see them.

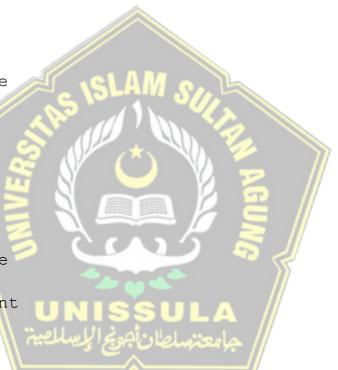
We had to use the front door.

- Shit!
- Make it a public display.
- I almost feel bad for them.
- We gotta get out of here.
- Quickly.

Let's go! Get them in!

#### SERGEANT JIM:

loading them up! Let's go!
Okay, let's go!



#### MAN:

Let's hurry! Get it out of here! Get it out! Let's go! Make sure we get those guys at the back. What are you doing down here all the time? (MEN SHOUTING)

#### OFFICER FRANK:

We gotta get this moving!

MAN: These people didn't do a thing. Where's the other one? It should be here any minute.

#### BALD MAN:

Please calm down! Everything's fine.

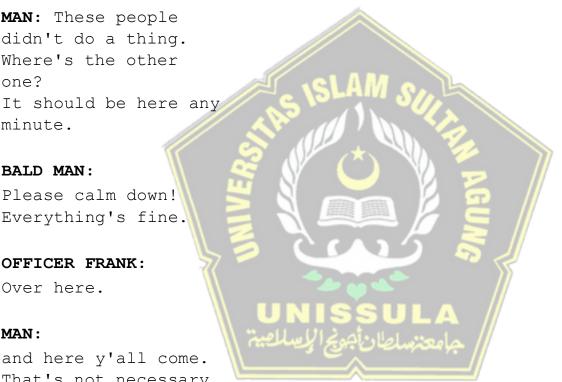
# OFFICER FRANK:

Over here.

# MAN:

That's not necessary. Open the door! Get them in! (OVERLAPPING SHOUTING) Arrests for a private gathering? That's police overreach! You got no liquor license on this place. Get the fuck out of my face.

- Let's just keep it calm.
- Are you fucking kidding me?



# POLICEMAN 3:

the damn van! Step in there! Move, let's go! Let's get them moving, gentlemen! Let's go! Get them in the wagon! Hey, Dave! Told you you'd get busted, you alcoholic! Oh, the night's not over! (LAUGHING)

# SERGEANT JIM:

Go home!

# MAN:

(ALL

SHOUTING) -

# SERGEANT JIM:

# - POLICEMAN 4:

Get them in!

# BALD MAN:

motherfuckers!
(INDISTINCT
CLAMORING)

# SERGEANT JIM:

Let's go, get in!
Don't touch me!
Let's go! In!
I'm moving!
Get in! Let's go!
(SHOUTING INTENSIFIES)
Get in the car! Let's
go!
(THUDDING)



(SHOUTING)
(CHEERING AND LAUGHING)
Check this,
motherfuckers!
(SIRENS BLARING)
(ALARM RINGING)
(CROWD CHEERING)
(SHOUTING) Bub, can't even
ride that bike! You know
good and well you don't know
how to ride no bike.

#### MAN:

Catch this!
Yeah! That's what
I'm talking about!

### RIOTER:

(CHEERING)

MALE NEWSCASTER: striking from as far as three miles....away from this west side ghetto, ... where it all began early this morning... ...with a police raid on an afterhours drinking parlor. There have been some reports of qunfire. Police are under orders not to fire. More than 200 looters have been arrested so far. Police officials say they do not have enough men... ... to worry much about the looters. They are there to protect the firemen. But that is why you elected me. (SHOUTING) To bring about change. But during this time, ...it's important that we all settle down. (ANGRY SHOUTING CONTINUES) - Settle yourself!

# - CONYERS:

I'm angry, too. This city has problems, especially with the policemen. We have problems.

(ALL SHOUTING)

However, ...change

doesn't happen

overnight. But

change is coming.

(ALL SHOUTING) Let's work

together! Nah! Bring

Stokely Carmichael down

here! We don't wanna hear

from your ass! Look here.

This is what I need you to

do! I need you to not mess

up your own neighborhood.

This is your home!

Yeah, burn it

down! Burning it

down is not the

answer! (ALL

SHOUTING)

(CHANTING) Burn it down!

Burn it down!

Settle down! Settle down!

(SHOUTING INTENSIFIES)

#### FIREFIGHTER 1:

Hoses up! Hoses up!

FIREFIGHTER 2: in a little closer! Engine four, let's relay! Come on! Roll it back! You gotta roll it back.

RIOTER: this

motherfucker burn!

(ALL SHOUTING) What

the fuck!

#### FIREFIGHTER 3:

Let's move back! Come on!

Get out of here!

(SIREN WAILING)

(SHOUTING) GEORGE W.

ROMNEY: At the request of

Mayor Cavanaugh, ...we've

made state police...

...and National Guardsmen

available....to assist in

dealing with what is a case...

...of lawlessness and

hoodlumism....and to protect

the persons and property...

...of people in the areas

involved.

#### MALE NEWSCASTER:

Here in Detroit, a city of war... ... where snipers hide on rooftops, ... the violence continues. US Army paratroopers, National Guardsmen, state and local police... ... are continuing the fight against a handful of snipers. On the city's west side, a 150-block area is off-limits to everybody. This is no man's land, an area of destruction and devastation. ABC newsman Tom Mclntyre says... ...it's hard to believe that this could happen in America. But here it is, in Detroit, the nation's fifth largest city. LYNDON B. JOHNSON: I am declaring a public state of emergency. And I am also indicating that I will promulgate... ... such rules, orders and regulations... ...as I deem necessary to protect life and property.

# CAPTAIN:

left lane!
18-40!
Rally point! Rally point
A!
Sniper in the window!
(SCREAMING) Third
floor window!

#### CAPTAIN:

Move to cover now!
Stand by! Hold your fire!
(PEOPLE SCREAMING)
(SIREN WAILING)

### POLICEMAN:

All right, he's clear.
Move back!
Hey!
(ALARM RINGING)

#### FLYNN:

Oh, I almost hit that one.
(LAUGHING)
LYNDON B.
JOHNSON:
There is no American
right...
...to loot stores...
...or to burn
buildings, ...or to
fire rifles from the
rooftops. That is

crime. And crime must be dealt with forcefully....and swiftly, and certainly under law. AFRICAN-AMERICAN LEADER:

...LBJ tell you...
...that, "Violence never
accomplishes anything,"

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"...my fellow
Americans."
(PEOPLE CHEERING)
Don't you see,
the real problem with
violence....is that we have
never been violent. We have
been too nonviolent!
(ALL SHOUTING)
Excuse me!

POLICEMAN: the way you came! I need to go down this road to get to work. What did I say? Back! I need to go down this road to get to work, Ford Assembly. Hold on! Where you going? Hey! Let him go! You cannot go this... (GUNSHOTS) (SCREAMING)

### POLICEMAN:

We might have a sniper on...

#### **KRAUSS:**

Boy, would you look at this.

So sad.

It's preventable, you

know.

That's the worst part.

Look at this.

This looks like fucking

'Nam.

You believe this is the

USA?

And we're to blame.

(HONKS HORN) By standing

by, the trouble started.

Now this. (MUSIC PLAYING OVER SPEAKERS)

#### FLYNN:

What can you do with this? They're crazy. They're not crazy. They know exactly what they're doing. This is gonna be worse than '43.

# KRAUSS:

failing these people.
They're looking to us,
and we keep letting them
down....left, right,
and center. Take this
motherfucker right here.
Halt! (TIRES SCREECH)
Halt!
(GUNS COCKING)
Get back!
(SHOUTING)

# - DEMENS:

- KRAUSS:

#### **DEMENS:**

Hey!
(GRUNTS)

#### **KRAUSS:**

Get back off the street!
(WHIMPERING) Hey,
Phil! Come on!
Hey, Phil!
Forget him! Come on!
Fuck!
(GASPS)

# **FLYNN:**

shoot the looters anyway.

(PANTING) Yeah. How the hell are we supposed to stop them? What a fucking specimen, huh?

(GROANING)

(GASPING)

(LEON WHIMPERING)

#### OLD LADY:

What... What are you doing under there? (STUTTERING) I just live down the street. If you can go get my wife Roberta? You want me to call the ambulance? No, no police!

Just, please, Roberta.

### OLD LADY:

#### LEON:

# MALE REPORTER:

1,100 National Guardsmen...
...have been rushed into as many areas.....as they can cover, protecting police. Looters carry off thousands of dollars' worth of goods....with a gay sort of leisure. Many negro shop owners put up signs...
...reading "Soul Brother" to avoid damage. But the fire bombers and looters...
...are indiscriminate.

#### POLICEMAN:

Just cuff him to the chair. I'll get to him when I get a second.

Write your address and your date of birth. Talk to him! Where am I supposed to put him? I don't care. Take him to your house! POLICEMAN: these negroes out of here! There's no room! Sergeant! Homicide detectives wanna have a word with you.

#### POLICEMAN:

Quit pushing! You got
room....for two more in
holding or not?
(OVERLAPPING
CONVERSATIONS) Step back
from the goddamn counter!
Come on, move!
Behind the door!
Hey! Whose prisoner is
this?
(ALL SHOUTING)
Don't talk to me!
For God's sake.

**DETECTIVE:** and shut up! Krauss, in here. I need you.

Go, come on.
Guys, come on. Out.
(DETECTIVE SIGHS)

#### **DETECTIVE:**

I got a young black,
...shotgunned in the
vicinity of Virginia Park.
Did I hear earlier you
shot a black guy? I
missed, called it in.

You missed?
I might've clipped him.
He was real fast.
Sit down, patrolman. Sit down.

#### MAN:

(INDISTINCT SHOUTING CONTINUES)

#### **NEWSCASTER:**

hide Got nowhere to run to, baby

Schools, city offices... ...and many stores remain closed today in Detroit, ...and a 9: been ordered for this evening. Hey, Ma. - Hey. - (PHONE RINGING) I got it. Hello. No, I'm off. I worked a double. Okay. All right. What? Back to work? Yeah, Mr. LeFrank called. I thought Vinny was your boss. I got two jobs, two bosses, Ma. Security company needs me for the looting. - Looting? - Yeah, watch the news. (SIREN WAILING) (SINGING) Nowhere to run to, baby Nowhere to

Nowhere to hide It's not love I'm running from It's the heartbreak I know will come - What do you say there, Fred? - Hey. Yo, you're late. Listen, I almost lost my job getting here. I'm sorry. I don't give a damn about Ford Motor Company. Bumper cars and sheet metal motherfucker? You about to be with the stars! But I need to buy bread, negro. Listen, it's gonna be good. You sure? Yeah. All right? - Thanks, man. - Yeah. - I need you here, man. - I'm here! What you need? Water or something? I know you're no good for me (AUDIENCE CLAPPING) But you've become a part of me Is that A&R man out there? Yeah, he out there, waiting to get his mind blown, baby. When it's so deep So deep... Deep inside of me... All right, folks, come on. Let's get this together. You ready? Get these steps together. Hold on. Let me get that note one more time.

(SINGING) If you haven't got Love Love A traveling man once told me That he didn't ever care...

FRED: That any time he wants to go... That he go anywhere... If you haven't got love Love believe me... The traveling man once told me... If you haven't got love Love will leave me... Then you're lonely So lonely... You're lonely So lonely You're lonely So lonely Oh, yeah If you haven't got (CHEERING AND APPLAUSE) You're up next, boys. Let's get it! Come on! - It's Motown, baby. - All right. Are we ready? Give it up! (CHEERING AND APPLAUSE CONTINUES) - Motown Records, baby. - Motown, we're Motown tonight.

#### ANNOUNCER:

All right, settle down, cats. Now, I know you guys think that we reached...
...the top of this evening but we have not. Because

we're about to take this thing to another level. (CHEERING)

Because the band of brothers I'm about to bring to this stage...
...comes straight out of Motor
City herself. He talkin' about
you. If you would, stand up on
your feet....and make some
noise for Detroit's own... The
Dramatics!

(AUDIENCE CHEERING)

You got to tell these folks that they got to go home right now. These folks is out here rioting. Hold on. They're doin' what?

They out here rioting.

- Right now?
- Right now. Tell these folks they got to go home.

#### ANNOUNCER:

We're ready, right?
Listen, you boys can't
go out there tonight.
What do you mean we
can't go out there?
These folks is out here
rioting. You cannot go
out there tonight.
We're on the schedule,
brother. We all gotta
get the hell out of Fox
tonight. Now, ladies
and gentlemen, I'm
afraid I have some bad
news.

(CROWD MURMURING)

MAN: It seems like we're all gonna have to exit the building.....and head to our homes.

(CROWD JEERS) Come on, just one song, man! Motown's right there! This is Detroit, we're no stranger to this. (ALL GRUMBLING) Now, the police said we have absolutely nothing to worry about. So if you would, just grab your things.

Ma'am, grab your purse. Slowly, slowly.

Exits to your

left and to your

right. - DARRYL:

#### - JIMMY:

#### FRED:

We gotta go. I'm going on that stage. We're going on that stage, y'all hear me? People are leaving, man.

The band's leaving. Ma'am, your purse.

#### LARRY:

another shot like this.

ANNOUNCER: We need to get out of here, Larry.

#### ANNOUNCER:

Watch your step, sir! Now, boys, I'm sorry. But we've got to go. - I'm sorry.

- All right.

Larry, I mean...



What can we do? Larry, there's nothing we can do. Another day... Another day, man. (POLICE SIRENS WAILING FAINTLY) Listen, I know you want it bad, man. Larry, we gotta go. We gotta go. (SIGHS ANGRILY) Come on. Larry! (BREATHING HEAVILY) Larry. (SINGING) You might be a rich man With the world on a string But with all your riches You haven't got everything If you haven't got love Love If you haven't got love Ooh, love You're lonely You're lonely So lonely Ooh, baby (SIGHS) We were

# FRED:

so close.

y'all sounded good.
There'll be a next time.
There will be.
Bus driver!
Hey, now! Bus driver!
(PEOPLE SHOUTING)
(HORN HONKING) Hey,
y'all seeing this?
(ANGRY SHOUTING)

#### POLICEMAN:

Clear the street.

Go back to your homes now.

Disperse or you will be arrested. I say we go up to 12th Street and be a part of this. We're working musicians, man. I can't be singing when I'm supposed to....be out there swinging, brother.

Hey, look. We're not too far from the Algiers. Let's just go there till all this blows over.

#### DARRYL:

get off this bus!

#### BUS DRIVER:

Everybody out! Let's go, now!
(CLAMORING)
(DOOR

OPENS) -

#### MAN:

### - DETECTIVE:

(DOOR SHUTS)

# MAN:

I'm sorry, I've been working....straight shifts since the riots started. Yeah, that guy you shot at didn't make it home. Ambulance found him bleeding out under a car. (SIGHS) Are we sure it's

the same guy? He's the only Virginia Park shooting today. You carry a shotgun, he had shotgun wounds. You wanna play ballistics? Jesus Christ, I'm sorry. That's it? What else? You shot him in the back. Right. He was... He was running away from me. Where else do you want me to shoot? My point was him being no threat to you. In hindsight, but I'm thinking, ...why is he running away from me, ...if all he did was steal some groceries? What if he killed somebody in that grocery store? He's avoiding the police. What do you assume from that? You don't assume. If he had a weapon in his hand, that's another story. We don't shoot for robberies. Detective, you know it's a war zone out there, right? Yeah. 10th had to shut down. They're destroying the city. We're facilitating that with the message we send, ...which is that it's okay, go ahead, burn down your houses, ...rob a store. It's total chaos.

And... Where does that



lead us long term,
Detective? All right,
kid. Thank you.
(CLEARS THROAT)
Anytime. I'm
recommending murder
charges. You go back to
work, wait to hear from
the DA. Yes, sir.
And kid...
Calm down out there.
Thank you, Detective.
(OVERLAPPING
CONVERSATIONS) All right?

- Are you in trouble?

- I'm fine, so forget
 it.He's doing his job,
 same as you and me.

# **DETECTIVE:**

Forget it.

On your feet.
(SHOUTING)
(ALARM RINGING)

# JIMMY:

people, off the streets. Yo, we need to split up, man.

#### DARRYL:

going crazy out here right now. Five brothers together, you know they gonna say we a gang.

#### LARRY:

we're not splitting up.
Shit!

# **POLICEMAN:**

you're going?

# - FRED:

Get off the street!Hands on the wall!Keep them up!

#### - FRED:

#### MORRIS:

(GRUNTING)

POLICEMAN: What the
hell you talking
about? Look at this
mess, man!
Hey, come here! You! Stop!
It's after curfew!

# POLICEMAN:

the Detroit Police. There is a curfew.

### LARRY:

JIMMY: my
brother!

# POLICEMAN:

Disperse! Leave using the streets behind you. This direction!

#### MORRIS:

#### POLICEMAN:

Go back to your homes!
Go back to your homes!
(SIREN WAILS)

# POLICEMAN:

Disperse...
...or you will be arrested.

# (MUFFLED MUSIC PLAYING)

#### LARRY:

Hello.
How you doing?
Just need to get a room.
Y'all at the wrong hotel,
though. Ritz down the
street. Yeah, well, the
Ritz ain't got you behind
the counter, so...

(CHUCKLES) Look, all I got is a room in the annex...

...out back down through the breezeway. \$11 a night, you pay in advance. That's cool.

(R&B MUSIC PLAYING)

(OVERLAPPING

CONVERSATIONS)

#### LARRY:

(UNLOCKING)
(KEYS JINGLE)
Voil!
What you expect for 11
bucks?
(SCOFFS)

(SIREN WAILING)

(GROANS)

Hey!

# OFFICIAL:

of a few isolated snipers...

#### POLICEMAN:

what fucking time it is, boy? - Let me have a little fun with you.

#### - KID:

# - POLICEMAN:

- KID: How am I supposed to know what time it is?

#### POLICEMAN:

and you know it, Goddamn
it!

#### KID:

because I don't have a watch?

#### POLICEMAN:

Get the fuck off my street!

- What you gonna do? Shoot me?
- Get off my street!
  Do it! Go ahead.
  I will kill you
  right the fuck
  now.

DISMUKES: I'm guarding that grocery store right there.
I'm guarding it. This my nephew.

I'm so sorry, I apologize.

I'm gonna take him away.

Come on. I ain't

your nephew,

motherfucker!

Just get across the

street.

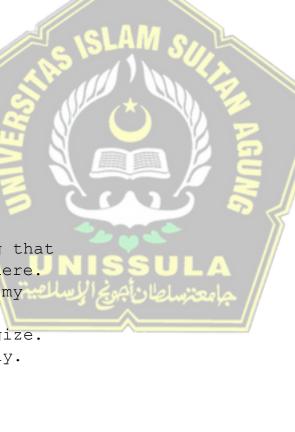
Calm down.

- They let you out, Uncle Tom?
- Just get across the street.

Keep on walking.

Don't look back.

Keep on moving.



Dumb jacky giant, I'll beat your head to the white meat. You won't kick my ass.

I'm a black belt in karate, I'll whoop that ass. Besides, even if you did win, ...those ten guys over there would be on you....and behind them is 10,000.

Now, you smart. Go home. (SIREN WAILS)

(EXHALES) So you the cool

brother, huh? Dismukes.

Okay, Tom.

#### POLICEMAN:

This is the Detroit Police.

There is a curfew.

You cannot stay on the street.

What the hell was that? You checked the windows and doors? - I checked

them already.

- Check it again. I don't even wanna see graffiti back there.

(PHONE RINGING)

Hello.

Everything is fine. No trouble here. I'll

sleep when they stop

rioting. Good night,

sir. SPENCER:

Hey. Look at this.

# CAPTAIN:

Ready, Title 32? Let's do it!

### MILLER:

DISMUKES: I'm
gonna go talk to
those white guys.

SPENCER: if that's okay. I'm gonna make sure they don't start shooting at us.

#### CAPTAIN:

Relax here.

### SPENCER:

you want them white boys... - ...to know where we are?
- I'll be right back.
(BELL CHIMES)

#### ROBERTS:

in there and take the roof.

#### **JEFFERSON:**

Hey, fellas.
Melvin Dismukes.
I'm with United
Security, I'm guarding
that grocery store
across the street. I
come bearing gifts.
Oh.
Thank you.
Isn't this nice, boys?

# ROBERTS:

considered, this is pretty good. Thank you. I don't have my usual appliances. You got any sugar?
Oh, don't push it, man.

#### ROBERTS:

to have some quiet. We were at Black Bottom earlier today. We actually took sniper fire. Had one, right by here. Ain't no snipers here, man. Just you and me... ...and the people partying in that motel. How long do you think this is gonna last? Yeah, how long till these negros, people, quit? What do you think? How the hell am I supposed to know? Is Morris home? It's Larry. (SIGHS) I can't find those guys anywhere. No, no, no. No, he's fine. Just when you see that cat, tell him to come down to the Algiers. We're rehearsing. Bye. (SIGHS)

FRED: His mama don't even know where he is.

### FRED:

(SIGNING) Look in my eyes...
And don't you see water? And it's all

because of you So look at me
I ain't acting like
I ought to
And it's all
because of
you So look
in my eyes
And don't
you see
water? And
it's all
because of
you

# FRED:

get back on that stage. Yeah, it's not that simple, brother. Listen, when they hear you blow... Money raining. And I want a cut. (BOTH CHUCKLE) Look at me. In the eyes. I'm looking at you in the eyes, Fred. You're qonna qet a record deal. (CHUCKLES) All right? (SINGING) Look in my eyes The Fox Theatre... ...welcomes The Dramatics! Yeah? Yeah. (GIRLS LAUGHING OUTSIDE) You know what, Fred? I think it's time to fix that little problem of yours.

#### FRED:

- I don't have a problem.
- Yeah, you do. Come on.
- We're not doing this.
- Yeah, we're doing this.

Come on! Don't give me a no.

Come on. (SINGING)
You're gonna look in her
eyes I don't need it, I
don't want it. And she's
gonna get you off...
Come on.

### LARRY:

I'm doing you a favor,
okay?

- Okay?
- I'm going.

LARRY: Look at this nice little scene right here.

# - JULIE:

- Thank you. Enjoy it because we are now officially broke.

There's rioting outside, and I'm not writing to my parents again.

# LARRY:

That right there. It's perfect.

- Larry.
- What?

They white.
So, they white.
Beggars can't be
choosers, all right?
What does that mean?
You know what I say?

What?
Let freedom ring.
(LAUGHS) I've had that
freedom, thank you very
much!

JULIE: Because freedom
doesn't mean giving it away
for free. (SCOFFS) Only you
could make prostitution
sound high class. Come on.
I'm not trying to do this,
brother. Hey, stop.
Why won't you
just leave them
alone? I think
those boys are
eyeballing us.

#### FRED:

Come on, man.

Follow my lead. Okay,
so we do it together and
it's like a co-op.

Excuse me, ladies.

I'm Larry Cleveland. I wouldn't
be interrupting a private
conversation here, would I?

#### JULIE:

I'm Julie, Ohio.
Karen, Ohio. (CHUCKLES)
No, my last name is
Cleveland. (LAUGHS) We're
actually from Ohio. Okay,
so what y'all doing in
Detroit? Well, Julie here
is a professional
prostitute. - Okay...
- She's kidding!
I'm a hairdresser.
And a hoe.

(JULIE LAUGHS) What do you guys do? (LAUGHING) I'm a singer in The Dramatics, ...and Fred here is my bodyguard. The Dramatics? Yeah. Never heard of them. (SCOFFS) But I love... I love Motown. The Supremes are my favorite. Well, if you love The Supremes, ...you'll definitely love The Dramatics. Larry. Sing something to her. (SINGING) Baby I'm for real I said I'm as real As real can get Oh, my God! You can really sing. It's who I am, you know. I sing. It's who he is. We were just gonna go get something to eat. A friend of ours is staying at the annex. Would you like to join us? I mean, yeah. I could eat. Fred, you hungry?

#### JULIE:

Let's go.
How you doing?
Good.
How are you?
(SOUL MUSIC PLAYING)

Yeah, I can eat.

(TELEVISION BLARING) (SAUSAGES SIZZLING) Mmm... We looking good!

#### KAREN:

Mmm.

We're starving. You know I got something for y'all to eat. Okay.

- Hey, babe.
- Hey!

# CARL:

Hello!

KAREN:

### CARL:

It's a nice joint, man.

#### **AUBREY:**

### LARRY:

Sit down, take a seat. Hey, Aubrey. How you doing? Hey, Karen.

### JULIE:

when you meet someone
new, ...you're supposed
to say "Hi, hello!" "How
are you?" It makes them
feel comfortable. Nice
duds, man.
Thanks, man, I appreciate
it.
We were performing

earlier.
Watch out.
(LAUGHING)

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#### LEE:

(MEN LAUGHING) This guy. Okay.

CARL: right there. (LAUGHING)

#### LEE:

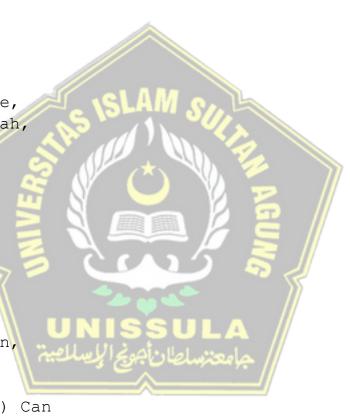
Hey, Julie, (TAPS BED) ...the air conditioning's real nice over here. Real nice, huh?

### LARRY:

The bed's comfortable, too. (CHUCKLES) - Yeah, that's nice.

- Yeah?

CARL: one of these joints. (MOUTHING) Aubrey, man, turn that radio up. (SONG PLAYING ON RADIO) (CHUCKLES) (MUSIC STOPS) Come on, fellas, please. (VOLUME OF JAZZ MUSIC INCREASES) Can we please let Trane speak? What the hell? That's beautiful. So sad that he died. He was young, right? He was 40. But he used his years. Let me tell you, that man lived. Unfortunately, it was heroin. Now, we know Trane did not overdose. Don't put a rumor on that,



man. I didn't say Trane overdosed. But John Coltrane was a junkie for years. Love Supreme Trane was high on dope. I'm not saying that's taking anything away... ...from the man as a spiritual example. He's one of my many saints. But heroin is what killed his liver. I heard the FBI poisoned him. FBI. You wanna know how I know? John Coltrane's wife is a Detroit musician, ...same set as me. Oh, so now you a trained expert on Coltrane? (CHUCKLES)

# MALE NEWSCASTER:

Continuing coverage tonight...
...of the rioting here in
Detroit. The National Guard has
been called in....and more
than 3,200 people have been
arrested, most of them negros.
Updates will continue throughout
our broadcast... Why is
everything always so violent?
You ask your people that? Try a
little revolution with the
English, ...all that "liberty or
death?" That ain't so nonviolent at all.

LARRY: I highly doubt she understands your logic about liberty and death. (LAUGHING) Well, let's put it in layman's terms. Slide over, stripes.

You see, ...you white, ain't you? (GASPS) Brother. You white, right? See, y'all don't have to deal with... ...the police nearly as much as we do. Unless, of course, you're some... Uncle Tom handkerchief head, you know? It's like... When you're black, it's almost like... ...having a gun pointing right at your face. You understand that? It's like this. Hey, boy! Get your hands off my plate. Put the hot dog... Step away from the mustard! Put your hands down! Don't... You nervous? - You're making me nervous!

- LEE: This like police brutality or something, man. Oh. Oh... So you gonna tell me how to do my job now? I'm not...
- So now you're the police officer.....that tells me how to do my job on my street? What you doing on my street, nigger? See, that's the

way they like to express themselves. You know,
"My street, my house, my car." That way they can take everything from you. - Larry.

- So again.What you doing on my street, boy?

#### LEE:

wrong, officer? Did you do something wrong? I ought to blow your head right off. Get that gun off me, man.

- Or what, boy?

I said, get that gun off...

(GUNSHOT)

(SHRIEKS)

#### JULIE:

Oh, my God!
You shot him! Carl!
(LEE WHIMPERING) Lee!

# CARL:

have made a move.

Lee?

Hot dog, please! (LAUGHS)

(ALL

LAUGHING) -

#### KAREN:

- JULIE:
- AUBREY:
- KAREN:



You're nuts!

It was just a starter pistol.

It just starts races.

It don't kill nobody, ...it don't hurt nobody.

- KAREN: I'm just demonstrating white power. So am I, honey. Sweetheart, baby, it was just a joke. Y'all can go and get the hell out, ...you and your partner. (ALL LAUGHING) Thought they could take a joke. (LAUGHING) (IMITATING LARRY) I'm performing. (LAUGHS) Sorry, Larry, they're usually nice guys. No, come on. Don't let those fools bother you. Why don't we all go to my room and relax for a little bit? We told a friend



# JULIE:

Come on.
Find me later.
See you!

we'd drop by.

### CARL:

everybody should know.

## **AUBREY:**

But you scared them off, man.

But Karen though...
(SMACKS LIPS) She
was looking at me.

- Karen wasn't looking at you.

- Karen was feeling me, man.
She was like, "Hey,
Aubrey!"
I was like, "Hey, Karen!"

## POLICEMAN:

Disperse or you will be arrested.

## **AUBREY:**

(MEN LAUGHING) We should teach these pigs a lesson.

## LEE:

talking about, Carl?
Them right down there.
(LAUGHS)

#### LEE:

if you shoot them,
...they're gonna shoot us
back, right? How they
gonna know where it came
from, Lee? - It's not
even possible.
- Just calm down, man.
Man, you chicken.

#### LEE:

in here enough.

## CARL:

They need to understand...
...that they can't be
picking on us all the

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time. Y'all gotta be with the program! We're gonna get our asses beat! One, two. Would you... (GUNSHOT)

#### SOLDIER:

Get down! Hit the deck! You guys okay?

- Who's shooting?

- From down there,
maybe?It could be any
one of those buildings.
Did you just hear that
gunshot, baby? No, I
didn't hear anything.
Anyway, you know if I
get a record deal, ...we
gonna drive a Cadillac,
right? (CHUCKLES) Look,
check him out!

(LAUGHING) Run, Mr.

#### ROBERTS:

Cracker, run! (GUNSHOTS)

EDDIE: By the
Algiers, could
be a sniper.
(GUNSHOTS) Mike?
- I'm okay!
I didn't get hit!
Keifer Command, this is
Warrant Officer Roberts.

## EDDIE:

#### ROBERTS:

Army taking sniper fire. Algiers Motel vicinity, on Virginia Park.

#### CARL:

(LAUGHING)

### - LEE:

## - AUBREY:

CARL: what it's like to be
black. (LAUGHING) Police 24, potential sniper...
- ...in the area.
- Army taking fire.

## **DISPATCHER 1:**

Near the Algiers Motel...
...on Virginia Park.
Sniper on the roof.
Sniper fire, sniper fire,
Virginia Park.

## **DISPATCHER 2:**

fire near the Algiers
Motel. 10-4, on the way.
(TIRES SCREECHING)
(SIREN WAILING)

## **DISPATCHER 1:**

Virginia Park, sniper on the roof.

## **DISMUKES:**

Lock the whole place up!

(PANTING) Let's find that
motherfucker.

(GUN COCKS)

(DOGS BARKING) Anyway, my boy
Fred was just telling me...
...that the rioting is getting

so bad, ...even Ford's thinking about shutting down assembly for a day. Larry, that's terrible.

LARRY: Maybe we should make the most of it. In a time of hate, love does become more important. Maybe the most important. Why don't you come over here and visit me? We got a swimming pool and I think... ...we need to spend some time together. My mom says I can't leave the house. But I want to.

#### - DEMENS:

Thanks. (GUNS COCKING) (PEOPLE CLAMORING)

Your mama, right.

### SOLDIER:

Move forward! (SHOUTING)

## SOLDIER 1:

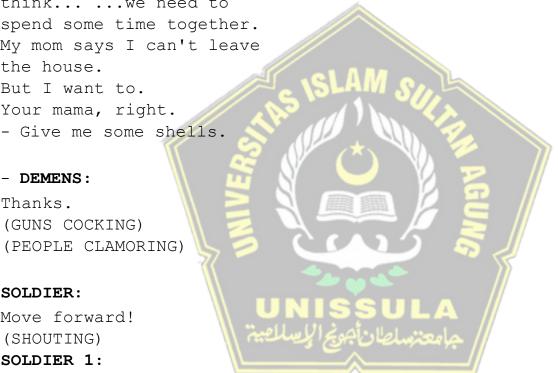
Left hand, top window!

## SOLDIER 2:

Spread out to the side! Hey, y'all, there's a bunch of police outside right now. (SOLDIERS CLAMORING)

# AUBREY:

Why would I be playing? Yo, is they lost?



## SOLDIER 1:

# CARL:

What you mean? I don't know. I don't know, man, but it look like...
...they coming right toward the house.

## SOLDIER 2:

stand there! Move up!
Get in position!
- Close the windows!

## - SOLDIER 2:

Hide everything!
Turn the lights off!

## SOLDIER 2:

(GUNSHOTS)
(ALL SHOUT)

#### AUBREY:

## LARRY:

did you hear that?

## FRED:

I gotta go!
They're shooting us.
Larry!
Fred, you good?
You good?

## **AUBREY:**

I don't wanna die, man!

## CARL:

We gotta get out of here!

## - AUBREY:



- LEE:
- They can't do this to us.

## - LEE:

They can't do this to us.

## - AUBREY:

## - LEE:

(GASPING)

## SOLDIER 2:

Go. Go. Go. (SHOTGUN BLAST) (SHOTGUN BLAST) (GROANS)

## SOLDIER 1:

(GASPING)
Clear!

## FLYNN:

(GASPING)

# POLICEMAN:

(WHIMPERING)
(SIREN WAILING)
(TIRES SCREECHING)
(POLICEMEN
SPEAKING INDISTINCTLY)
Hey, do you hear that?
Fred, stay low!
(BREATHING HEAVILY)
Police! Get on the
floor! Get the fuck
against the wall right
now! (OVERLAPPING
SHOUTING) All right, all
right!



## FRED:

(SHOUTING CONTINUES)

## **FLYNN:**

**LARRY:** a

fucking gun!

## **FLYNN:**

behind your back! Have you got a firearm?
- No!

Have you got a fucking weapon?
(SHOUTING UPSTAIRS)
(CARL GASPING)

## POLICEMAN:

- Come here! Come on!
- Why you doing
   this?Get him the fuck
   downstairs now. Get
   the fuck out of here
   now!

# - DEMENS:

## - FLYNN:

#### - DEMENS:

(WHIMPERING) Put your hands on your head and relax. Just calm down. Sit down.
Put your hands on your head.
Move the fuck downstairs! Go!

#### LARRY:

Don't pull, man! Police! Put your hands on your head!

## **GREENE:**

(JULIE GASPING)

### KRAUSS:

Against the walls and doors!
All of them! Against the wall!

## LARRY:

Walls and doors!
I didn't do nothing!
I don't have nothing!
(SHOUTING CONTINUES
IN HALLWAY)

## FRED:

(GUN COCKS)
(COCKS GUN)
Anybody in
there?
No, sir.
(GRUNTS)
(GASPS) Get the fuck
up! Get up!
Get downstairs! Go!

## - FLYNN:

- What's going...
 (SHRIEKS) What're
 you doing here?
(SHOUTING)

## POLICEMAN:

the ground! Get

down! - LEE:

## - POLICEMAN:

(OVERLAPPING SHOUTING)



## **KRAUSS:**

Don't look at me! Against the wall, bring them all down!

# POLICEMAN:

## **KRAUSS:**

the walls and doors!

## POLICEMAN:

and stay against the wall.

## KRAUSS:

down here!
Let's go!
(GRUNTS) Don't you
fucking move!
- Get them, go!
- What did we do?

**DEMENS:** shut your mouth!

### **FLYNN:**

the fuck... Get out of here! Get the fuck downstairs! (OVERLAPPING SHOUTING) Go! Let's get them down here!

# POLICEMAN:

Down the stairs! Let's go!

## - KRAUSS:

- FRED:

## AUBREY:

My arm, man! Stop!



We didn't even do anything!
Shit!
(ALL GRUNTING)
(INDISTINCT SHOUTING)

#### AUBREY:

#### **AUBREY:**

What happened?
Fella here had a knife,
tried to go for my gun.
Yeah, I heard him shout,
"Get off my gun!"
Yeah, it all
happened pretty
fast. I guess you
had to defend
yourself.
(WHIMPERING)

LEE: Get back against the wall! Move! -Chill! - They killed Carl! Don't be stupid, boy! Stay against the wall! Okay, okay.

## AUBREY:

filled with blood. They killed him, man. Shame.
A young kid like that.
Still, he might be the shooter. We need to find

out.

## **AUBREY:**

They killed him, man. (AUBREY SOBBING)

## **AUBREY:**

They killed our friend.

## **KRAUSS:**

with the girls? I found them with the big nigger down the end. Same room?
- You find anything?

No gun?

- Nothing.

No gun:

No.

Some bad news.

One of the guests is dead.

(SOBBING) He tried to take a police officer's weapon, ...ended up getting shot.
Carl Cooper.

## **AUBREY:**

(SOBBING)

(SOBBING) May he rest in peace. Amen.

Amen. Now let's not be

stupid in this situation.

(JULIE SNIFFLING) We still

have a crime scene here and you're all suspects.

Each and every one of you.

Don't look at me!

Turn around, face the

wall!

(BREATHING SHAKILY)

(SOBBING) Was Carl

the one doing the

shooting? Huh?

Somebody better start

getting honest with

me. (ALL SOBBING)

(FOOTSTEPS ON THE

STAIRS) Hey! I want that

gun! We looked around,

we didn't find a gun.

Doesn't mean it's not here! Go find it! You, too! I got nothing against you people. But you need to tell me where the gun is. You need to tell me... ...who was doing the shooting. I'm only gonna ask so many times. Who did the shooting? We don't know. You do fucking know! You were upstairs, who was doing the shooting? - Who was doing the shooting? - You doing the shooting, man! Lee!

## LEE:

Carl ain't got no gun.
What's that? You're
the ones out here
killing people! Say
that to my face! I
said, Carl ain't shoot
nobody, man! Yeah, all
right.
(GRUNTING)

#### MICHAEL:

(KAREN SOBBING) Stop
your goddamn crying!
Face the door!
You, too. Face the front!
(GASPING) Why don't you
pick that up and defend
yourself? Hmm?
It's easy, look. You sure
you don't wanna try and
stab me? (GASPING) I'm not
gonna play your game.

FLYNN: That would
just give me an
excuse to do...
...what we both know
is gonna happen
anyway. Right? Man,
y'all some crazy
crackers! (GRUNTS)

## **GREENE:**

(AUBREY SOBBING)
(LEE COUGHING)

### FLYNN:

You still a cracker.
(COUGHS) Shut the fuck up,
all right?
Shut up.

## **KRAUSS:**

shooter in this house.
Was it Carl?
Let me tell you
something. If you think
that you can shoot at
innocent people....and
get away with it, ...you
are dead wrong.
My partner said, "stand
up." - Look, I'll take
him.

- So stand.

## **DISMUKES:**

I'll take him with me.
Come on, come on.
- Come on.
- Get the fuck outta here.
(GROANING)

## **KRAUSS:**

I got all night, people. Nobody's gonna talk? Nobody knows who the shooter is?

## **AUBREY:**

Please, God. Please, God. Nobody's going to admit shit?
All right.
Then start prayin'. Start praying. What's the matter, boy? You don't pray? You don't go to fuckin' church? - Start praying!

- AUBREY: Forgive our trespasses as we forgive those that trespass against us.

#### **KRAUSS:**

kill you, one by one,
...until you tell me
exactly what is going on
here.

# AUBREY:

the blood of Jesus,
God. I'm just gonna
assume you're all
criminals. Because if
we're honest, you
probably are. So let's
hear it.
Let's fucking hear it!
Pray! Do it loud!
(GRUNTS) You don't
sing that gospel
shit? (SINGING) My
way There you go,
now we got two of
'em.

#### AUBREY:

of our hearts, God.
What about you?
Your grace is with me You
are not praying. I'm not
hearing shit out of you.
- Mary, full of grace...

- KRAUSS: You may need a little fuckin' help to know how to pray. (GRUNTS) (ALL PRAYING)
You are near me

#### JULIE:

Hail Mary, full of grace.
When my life He's really fuckin' praying.
It's not bad.
(LAUGHING)
(MUSIC PLAYING)
(LEE COUGHS)
(MUSIC SHUTS OFF) All right, check the room.
Under the beds and in the drawers. Okay?
(CLATTERING)
(SHOUTING AND CRYING)
They're gonna kill us, man.

Why? You gonna be crazy?
They the ones that's acting crazy. They lost they mind when they seen....a couple white girls in a room with a black man.
They're lookin' for a sniper, okay? But Carl wasn't no sniper, man. So if a guy goes for your gun, ...you gonna let him have it because he's black? Come on! A cop has a shotgun

like yours, right? You hold that tight with two hands. How you even gonna try to take that? Lotta ways. (SIREN WAILING) (BOTTLES CLANGING) (GRUNTING) There's no guns in this whole motel... ...except the ones these cops brought. There's no guns. (PANTING) (SIGHS) We takin' something for those crazy boys. Pick 'em up. What's the point? Look, I understand. Okay? But don't

antagonize those guys. I need you to survive the night. Survive the night. (SIGHS) All right? You

don't think you're gonna talk? I'll fucking make you talk.

Where's the fuckin' gun?

#### FLYNN:

Get the fuck up! You gonna tell me where the gun

is? - FRED:

# - FLYNN:

(GRUNTING)

## FLYNN:

Stop fucking lying to me!

Where's the fucking gun!
I swear to God, I'll pull
the fucking trigger!
Where is it?

#### AUBREY:

I swear...

#### FLYNN:

## **SERGEANT:**

What's going on? I gotta tell you, Detroit PD is going nuts in there. What do you mean?
Looks like they're terrorizing suspects, ...beating and so forth, trying to get a confession. Well, that's not correct, they got their civil rights. That's what I'm saying.
Don't look right to me.

## FLYNN:

that fucking gun?

Don't lie to me!
Where's the gun?
All right.
Let's let them have the case. I
don't wanna get involved in any
civil rights mix-up, you know?
Let's go.
(SIREN WAILS) - Where's
the fucking gun!
- I don't know!

## FLYNN:

You people are always lying!
Who's the shooter?

#### **KRAUSS:**

No.

All this looks
stolen. I searched
the whole room,
myself. He wouldn't
even tell you, huh?
All right.
Get Demens to watch the
line.
Come with me.
Get in there. Quickly.

## - LEE:

## - KRAUSS:

Come on!
We need you in here.
Get the...

Get on the goddamn floor. (GROANS)

#### LEE:

do this, man. (LEE SOBBING) We're gonna hold the line. (GIRLS WHIMPERING) Why you gotta fuck them, huh?

What's wrong with us?

# **KRAUSS:**

You need to tell me...
...where the gun is and who
the shooter is... I swear
to you there's no gun.
There's no gun, man!

## **KRAUSS:**

I will kill you.

#### LEE:

(SOBBING)

Okay.

I don't know nothing, man.

No!

(GUNSHOT)

(MUFFLED SCREAMS)

# **AUBREY:**

He shot him. He shot him.

## **DEMENS:**

(ALL SOBBING)

# **KRAUSS:**

Be still and stay quiet,

...or the next one is for real.

Understand?

This'll make 'em talk.

Watch this.

That one didn't even

kick. That's what

happens when you lie to

us. Who else wants to

kill one?

You wanna kill one?

Okay.

All right.

(BREATHING HEAVILY)

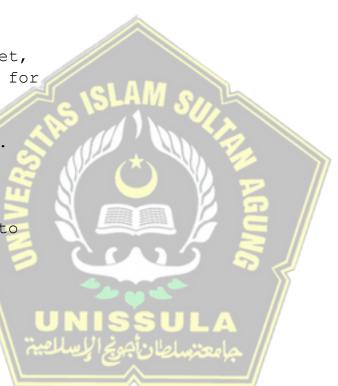
## MICHAEL:

- I didn't shoot nobody!
- Officer, wait!
- Shut up!

## MICHAEL:

## ROBERTS:

Get the fuck in there. I told you I don't know where the fucking gun is,



man. - You looked for it,
right?

- Shut your mouth! Hey,
  man. You gotta tell me
  where the gun is so all
  this can stop. Where's
  the gun?
- I don't know.
- You can't do this shit!
- Shut the fuck up! (GUNSHOT)

## **AUBREY:**

(GIRLS CRYING)

## **KRAUSS:**

You think we're bluffin'?
This is Detroit.
We don't bluff.
(WHISPERS) Now, be
quiet, ...or the next
one will be for real.
(DOOR OPENS)
(DOOR SHUTS) I
killed that nigger.
There you have it.

## **AUBREY:**

Oh, my God.
Get your goddamn hands
off her. Turn around.
What's your part in all
this, huh? Probably know
where the gun is.
Probably know who the
shooter is. I don't know
what you're talking
about.

#### **KRAUSS:**

And you're lyin' to me. Get away from me!



You think you'd get a pass 'cause you're white? No, whore. You don't. Find out what she knows. It's okay. Easy, easy.

### **KRAUSS:**

I'm not gonna tell you again. It's just you and me. Take a seat. (FLYNN SNIFFS) Sit down. Sit down. Ouch. You all right there, miss? Is everything okay? (SCOFFS) You're okay though, right? Don't touch me. Try to keep calm. What are you doin' living here? It's a hotel, isn't it? Yeah. So you're up here for a while? Some, uh, ...prostitution, maybe? I'm visiting from Ohio. My father is a judge. And your father, he knows you're here, right? Living amongst the blacks? Are there black people here? I didn't notice, I'm colorblind. Really? What color am I? Blue? (CHUCKLES) You look

yellow to me, sir.

(GRUNTS) - You're working
prostitution.
- No!
(SOBBING)
(CHAIR SCRAPING)

FLYNN: You're fuckin'
these black guys,
right? They're kids.
What's the matter with
you? I'm trying to
protect you, miss. Stay
there.
She's a hooker.
All right, fuck it.
Come here.
So, you are the pimp.
No, sir.
I think you're mistaken.
(GRUNTS)
- Fuck!

- KRAUSS: We've got all the time in the world. We are gonna get to the bottom of this. So think very carefully about how you answer our questions, ...or you're gonna end up like your friends in the next room. How long you been pimpin' out these young girls, huh? Destroying their bodies and minds. I just met 'em. I ain't pimpin'. I just got back from the You're a veteran? Yes, sir. (GRUNTING) (GASPS)

## **KRAUSS:**

do you think I am?
You wear army green,
...you try to be a
fucking serviceman.
We don't need pimps
in the army. Probably
drove a fucking
supply truck. (GREENE
GROANING)
I was airborne. (WHIMPERS)
(THUDDING)
(GREENE GRUNTING)
(GUNSHOTS)

## OFFICER 1:

# OFFICER 2:

Move to cover!
Get down! Get down!

## OFFICER 1:

(GUNSHOTS)

- OFFICER

1:

## - OFFICER 2:

(GUNSHOT)

Down, down!

## OFFICER 1:

They're running up Euclid!

- OFFICER 3:
- OFFICER 4:

## OFFICER 5:

Who's got eyes on him? Don't worry about it. If



it was anything, they'd grab us. (GRUNTING)
(BREATHING HEAVILY)
Larry, what are you doin'?
Larry.
Get back on the wall.
Let's get the fuck up outta here.

AUBREY: come back. We can. Let's go.

## FRED:

No.

Come on. Come on. Fred, let's go. No, Larry. Stop.

# OFFICER 1:

Who's got eyes on him?

## OFFICER 2:

KAREN: just
breathe.
(SHUDDERING
BREATHS)

## **AUBREY:**

I'm here, I'm here.
(GASPING) Come
on, come on.
Stay the fuck away.
(OFFICERS SHOUTING)

## OFFICER 1:

Check all those windows! Hold your perimeter!

## FRED:

You hear that?



# Shut up!

## OFFICER 2:

Covering fire! Put it down!
Fire! Fire!
(GUNSHOTS)

## LARRY:

## FRED:

- OFFICER 3:

- OFFICER 4:

## **ROBERTS:**

All right, it's clear. Snipers everywhere, tonight.

#### OFFICER 5:

(CONVERSING INDISTINCTLY)

DEMENS: buddies out there, huh? Is that who was shooting at us? Huh? What do you gotta say? (PANTING)

# Fuck!

**GREENE:** 

Paratrooper, eight years. Two deployments. (PANTING) Honorable discharge.

- This is a fake.
- No, sir.
- This your girl?

#### - GREENE:

What's his name?



I don't know.

His name is Karl Greene.

I wasn't asking
you, I was asking
her.

You just said,

"What's his name?" You're
lucky I haven't broken
your fuckin' neck, yet.

GREENE: All right, man. I see what you're trying to do. I'm not gonna cause any trouble, okay? But I'm not gonna lie down for you, either. What are you doin' in Detroit, huh? Like everybody else, I'm lookin' for work.

#### **KRAUSS:**

and joined another.

GREENE: All right. Get this motherfucker back in line. Give me back my government card, man. (DOOR OPENS) (GREENE GROANS) (GRUNTS) (WHIMPERS) (DOOR CREAKING) (BREATHING SHAKILY) (SHUSHING) Why don't you get outta here? Run out the back door. Run. Right now, go! You know the one who was praying? He's okay, it's not him. And you can scratch off G. I.

Joe. That little twerp with the big, fuckin' prayer. Yeah, it's not him. That leaves us with the big motherfucker who's in that room. I like him for it.

- Okay.
- Yeah.

Flynn.

Fuck!

He's escaped.

Well, we need another one.

I know.

(WHIMPERS)

(DOOR OPENS)

(GASPING)

(DOOR SHUTS)

Still... Still no

gun.

So, who wants to go next?

Hmm?

## KAREN:

Please, please, please.

Please. Just, please,

please.

Officer, can I say

something?

There we go.

Yes, you can. I think you

have the wrong house.

'Cause nobody we saw...

'Cause nobody we saw here

was shooting at the

police. Please. It's

possible we made a mistake. But I need to

know for sure. Can't let

a cop killer get away

with it, can I?



#### KAREN:

Please, please.
(ALL SOBBING AND
WHIMPERING) How about you,
sweetheart?
You wanna be next?

## KAREN:

## **KRAUSS:**

(KAREN STAMMERING)

## KAREN:

**KRAUSS:** 

KAREN:

## **KRAUSS:**

You wanna just die now...

#### KAREN:

# **KRAUSS:**

kill the others first?
Which one, huh? Which
one?
(KAREN SCREAMING) Get
her outta here. Jesus!
And her! Up!
Upstairs!

#### JULIE:

(SCREAMING AND CRYING)
Shut up!
You wanna cry, huh?

## **KRAUSS:**

**FLYNN:** I'll give you something to cry about.



## **KRAUSS:**

This one's coming with me.

FLYNN: You wanna cry, huh? I'll give you something to cry about.

## JULIE:

(MUFFLED SCREAMING) I guess there are no weapons on your person. (LOUD FOOTSTEPS ASCENDING STAIRS) Stay over there and keep quiet. (DOOR SHUTS) God. Aren't you ashamed of yourselves? You're the one checking out my tits. You're having sex with niggers. It's 1967, asshole. Honestly. It doesn't bother you? The Afro Sheen in their hair? The way it smells? You're on some trip. You think you can come into my city... and pimp out a bunch of young girls? I said it wasn't like that. I don't care if you were in the army. I'll drown all you pimps in the river until the city's clean. You gonna question them or I'm gonna take 'em outta here.

## **KRAUSS:**

Look. You might not be such bad girls after

all. But be straight with me.

Who was shootin' at the National Guard out there? Mister? I didn't see anybody shoot at the National Guard. I would tell you if I had.

You would?

You can think I'm a slut if you want, but I was raised right. All right. I'm gonna get 'em outta here. Let's get you covered up, okay? You too.

(DOOR OPENS)

### KRAUSS:

Hey, can I get a hand? (INDISTINCT CHATTER ON POLICE RADIO) Fuck. Fuck those fuckers. You're fucking murdering those kids! Why don't you stop

#### JULIE:

them?

He shot one of them! Don't concern yourself. They're just scaring them. It's an interrogation tactic. Are you nuts, Mister? I saw the bodies! Those guys are

getting murdered in cold blood.

(BREATHING SHAKILY)

ROBERTS: shoot the guy. It's not real. I didn't shoot

that guy, and neither did the other. It's to get the guys to fess up about the location of the gun. Who said they even had a gun? I don't know. If they did, it was just a toy. It wasn't a real gun. Well, thanks for saving us.

We gotta head out.

KAREN: She means, are you
gonna tell the police
where we are? No.
(DOOR SHUTS)
(SOBBING)

## JULIE:

We're gonna be okay.
But those boys...
(SIREN WAILING)
(GRUNTING)
Fucking stay
there.

You see that? See that shit? That is your fault right there. Look at it. You don't talk, that's what happens. Look at it. (INDISTINCT POLICE

At ease.

RADIO CHATTER)

That kid. Him. He was up there in the same room....as those other two delinquents. Yeah. Let's get our confession out of him, ...vacate the premises, all right? - Okay. - Demens should do it. Do what? You haven't killed a

nigger yet. (CLEARS
THROAT) Uh... Well,
I don't know about
that.

## KRAUSS:

What's the matter,
partner?
Problem?
Whatever you say.
Which one?
(GUN COCKS) Come with me.
I gotta ask you some
questions. Please.
(SOBBING) Please don't
kill me, please. Please
don't shoot me, please.
Where is the gun?

## AUBREY:

I don't know. I swear to God, I don't know. Please. Please. I got no cause to shoot you.

## AUBREY:

shoot.

Please.

## **DEMENS:**

AUBREY: shoot me, man.
I ain't never shot
anybody before in my
life. Please! I don't
know where... Please.
Please, don't...
(GUNSHOT)
(BREATHES HEAVILY)

## **KRAUSS:**

(SOBBING) They fucking killed him.
So that's done.
Good. Great job. I didn't think I could do it, but I

did it. Boy, I feel funny.

Yeah. It's the right thing.

He'll talk now.

What do you mean? Another one bites the dust.

I bet some of you thought we weren't serious,

huh? Well, we still

don't have our gun...

...and we are running out of time, people.
Who was the sniper?
Just be honest with us so we can all go home.

## KRAUSS:

## **DEMENS:**

Jesus Christ, Marty.
We weren't actually shooting the other guys. We're playing with them.
What do you mean?
Playing.
Playing what?
A game. A game to get them to talk, scare the shit out of 'em.

Interrogation tactics.
Fuck. This is strictly police business.

#### ROBERTS:

let's move
out.

## **KRAUSS:**

You don't have a knife.
- Fuck me.

## - DEMENS:

Okay, listen. Listen. (GROANS) -

Listen to me.

- Oh, fuck.He grabbed your gun, all right, ...and you warned him, okay?

(EXHALES HEAVILY)

And you were forced to shoot him, okay? Line of duty. - Get your fucking story

straight.

- Oh, fuck.

Hey, get your head straight

straight.

I'm serious. All right, just take a minute. Stay

here.

(GROANS)

Oh, God.

(DOOR SHUTS)

Oh, fuck.

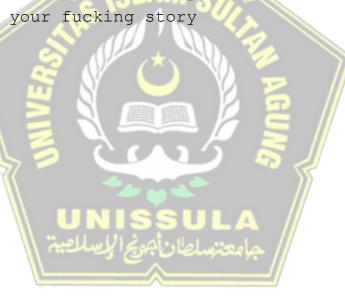
(GROANING) (WHISPERING) Marty

shot the guy.

What?

- He did?
- Yeah.

Point blank. We need to wrap this up and get out of here. We don't have a suspect. Should we just arrest them all? No, no, not now. We just need to get out of here, you know?



And... Us and them. If they're smart, they're not gonna say anything, all right? All right. Let's do this.

You come with me.

## **KRAUSS:**

You're free to go. But you don't talk about this to anyone, ever. You understand? 'Cause I got your name, ...and I know exactly who you are. I don't got your name. I don't know nothin' about you. (WHIMPERING) Please don't kill me. (SNIFFLES) Please don't kill him. What's this here? I don't see nothin'

## **KRAUSS:**

Get going.

#### FRED:

Hey, we don't know nothin'.

We don't know nothin'.

No, no, no, no!

Relax.

Listen. What if I told you you can run out that door right now, ...but you never talk about what you saw here? Understand?

#### FRED:

Please don't kill him.



(PANTING)

No, no, no!

(BREATHING HEAVILY)

Listen to me.

What do you see here?

You killed him.

You killed him.

(BREATHING SHAKILY)

We're gonna try this

again.

I don't see

anything. There's a

dead guy right

there. (GUNSHOTS)

(THUDDING)

(WHIMPERING)

(GUN COCKS)

(GUNSHOT)

(GUN COCKING)

(SIRENS BLARING IN

DISTANCE)

(PANTING)

## OFFICER DAVID:

(PANTING)

Please,

please,

please...

Please, please, please...

## OFFICER DAVID:

Hey.

Oh, my God. Who could do this to someone? Hey, hey, hey. I'm here to help you, all right? Come on. Hey.



I'm gonna get you to the hospital, okay? All right? Relax. Okay? Hey, hey, it's all right. Come with me. Come on. Come on. We're gonna get you there. Come on, brother. Don't you go on me, all right? Come on. Come on. We got him. Let's go. (MACHINERY WHIRRING) (PEOPLE CONVERSING INDISTINCTLY) Aubrey! Phone call! Aubrey, hey! You got phone call! - Say again? - You got a call from home. Something's wrong. Kid's in trouble or hurt, or something. Bet it's my youngest. He's always googy-googy. (CHUCKLES)

### ROBERTA:

Yes?

Well, Aubrey,
(SOBBING)
...they found Aubrey dead
this morning at the Algiers
Motel. No. No. Aubrey's
supposed to be at home.
It's gotta be somebody
else.
(DIAL TONE)
(CONVERSING INDISTINCTLY)
What is this, Ma?

A mistake?

It's gotta be a mistake.

Aubrey's got more sense
than that. Well, baby,
you never know.

Let's go see.

(GROANS)

(SNIFFLES)

(HAMMERING CONTINUES)

(INDISTINCT CONVERSATIONS)

#### OFFICER:

Is he there? (INDISTINCT CONVERSATIONS CONTINUE) Looking for a Dismukes. Appreciate it. Any of you fellas named Dismukes? Yeah, that's me. I have to ask you to come with us, sir. Is there a problem? No. I don't think so. Rather not have to ask again, though. Y'all tell the boss, huh? You got this? - Take care of yourself.

### - OFFICER:

Come on, I ain't got all day.
(INDISTINCT CONVERSATIONS)
Take a seat.
(PHONE RINGING IN
DISTANCE)
(DOOR OPENS)
DISMUKES: I assume this

DISMUKES: I assume this is about what went on at the motel? What happened at the motel?

### **DISMUKES:**

I'll tell you. I was working security by Wisconsin. And on Tuesday night, we heard gunfire... ...coming from the area near the Algiers. DETECTIVE THOMAS: Oh. In that direction. Police was there. State police, National Guard. It was a lot of shooting. (WHISTLES IN DISMAY) And when I went in there, three kids had been killed. No. - Yes, sir. - This right there, right? Is that what

Yeah.

Yes, sir.

He was lying just like this.

(LIGHTER SNAPS SHUT)

The blood was fresh. It hadn't congealed yet. So they were killed right before you got there? (EXHALES) Yes,

sir.

You carry a.38, right? A revolver. Do you carry a revolver? I do have a.38. Hmm. You ever shoot anyone?

- No.
- Strike anyone?

- Not the way you mean, sir.
- What do I mean? Fellas,
- ...you know, sometimes,
- ...when a black guy's put
- in a position of authority,
- ...other black guys, they
- like to single you out,
- okay? Because I'm not
- supposed to tell 'em what
- to do. When we have these
- conversations, ...we do
- them in stages, okay?
- Stage one, witnesses.
- Stage two, suspects.
- What stage are we
- in? You don't know
- what stage we're
- in? No. Could you
- specify for me?

# **DETECTIVE JONES:**

Yeah, we're in stage two.

You're a suspect.

I didn't do it.

The police...

Ah, here we go.

The police shot those kids.

DETECTIVE THOMAS: See, how

the hell do you know that...

...when you weren't inside

the building... ...until

after the shooting stopped?

So, are you lying to us now,

...or were you lying just a

minute ago?

## **DETECTIVE JONES:**

a good question,
Detective. DETECTIVE

THOMAS:

You need to think real hard.

You need to answer me.

All due respect,

I am telling the truth.

I'm not lying.

I told you what I saw.

I saw these kids...

- DETECTIVE JONES: Melvin.
- Okay. Okay.
- We're here to help you, okay?
- Yes, sir.Melvin, do you
  wanna go home? Yeah.
  DETECTIVE THOMAS: Can we
  let him think about it?

# **DETECTIVE JONES:**

think about it, okay, Melvin? I didn't do it. (DOOR CLOSES)

# **DETECTIVE JONES:**

Number four, step forward. You're doing a real good job, honey. (PRISONERS CLAMORING) (BANGING ON BARS) Eddie...

Has he woken up?

No, man.

(SIGHS)

Неу.

Larry.

Hey, wake up, brother.

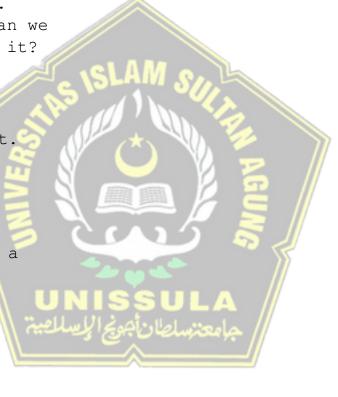
(SNIFFLES)

Hey.

Be gentle.

#### JIMMY:

It's us. You know where my little



brother is? The police are saying Fred is dead, ...but I can't get nobody to tell me what's going on. (STRAINED) What's going on? You tell us, man. The police... The police?

#### LARRY:

They... (BREATHING SHAKILY) (SOBBING) - You have children? - Oh, yes. I have three boys. The oldest is 12. Then nine and seven. You know how youngsters are then. (CHUCKLING) Oh, boy... The way they communicate, grunts and groans. My little cavemen. Especially boys. (CHUCKLES) It's like they don't know if they wanna be slick, you know? That's right. They're still trying to find their place in life... ... and we have to allow for that.

## AUBREY SR.:

#### DR. BREYER:

# AUBREY SR.:

Well, I can see you want to go back there. Sure.

### (DOOR CLOSES)

#### MAN:

We helped put out fires. We helped try to keep the riots down and keep the corner clear. What can you say...
...about having all this murdering and confusion?
Everybody isn't thieves and murderers. I wish that things could be better for the negro people. (INDISTINCT CONVERSATIONS)

KRAUSS: Remember what I told you, and this whole thing's gonna blow over. All right? You did nothing wrong. I think I gotta say somethin'. Hey. You made... Demens. Something that took one minute... ... should not define your entire life. You understand? (DEMENS SIGHS) You made a mistake. You say what you need to say, ...and you move on. That's how you get out of this thing. - All right? - All right.

KRAUSS: Yeah. You don't have to lecture me, I know what to do. There you go. You were doing your job. (CLEARS THROAT) (DOOR OPENS) You first, knucklehead!

All right.
(INDISTINCT CONVERSATIONS CONTINUE)
Flynn!
(DOOR OPENS)

#### DETECTIVE:

All right. Let's go, ladies. I'll be with you in a few minutes. Well? Some things were said in there. (STAMMERS) Such as? You stupid...
You motherfucker, you're dead. You're fucking dead.

You too?

We're all going down. Phil, listen. It's...

- No. No.
- Just listen to me.
- Get the fuck out of my way.

## - FLYNN:

(SIREN BLARING) (BANGING ON DOOR) I got nothing to say without my union lawyer. Are you kidding me, you racist fuck? Get out of the car before I break your neck. I couldn't say for sure who went inside the building first. Um... There were five, ...maybe six state police. We have complete statements from your partners. We know you shot those kids. So just go from there. No. No. I don't recall doing that.

Uh... Bang his head against the table.

Might help. Hey.

I'm trying to help here.

I'm trying to be thorough.

So, you wanna know...

...how many state police were on the scene, ...how many National Guard? I can't tell if you're stupid or smart, ...but

I'm willing to find out.

(DOOR OPENS) Don't say another word.

Come on.

What's the point?
Coercive testimony
will be tossed.
(DOOR CLOSES)
(SCOFFS)
(BANGING ON DOOR)
Larry!

Yo, you sure he's home? Give him a minute.

Man, what?

What's so important?

MORRIS: called, baby!
They wanna hear our
music at the studio!
Oh, and they called
you? Yeah, man. They
said they tried to call
you....but you never
called them back.

#### JIMMY:

we've been working for,
man. They wanna hear The
Dramatics!
(SCOFFS) So what?
You Mr. Show Business now?

This isn't professional. Call at business hours,

## not 3:

MORRIS: Larry! It's a record company, man. They don't keep banking hours. Come on. (ON SPEAKER) Listen, you guys had better sound good... ...because I'm broke. (CHUCKLING) (ALL CHUCKLE) Let me hear that blend. (MORRIS CLEARS THROAT) Uh, yes, sir. - Are you guys ready? - Yeah. One, two. One, two, three, four. (SINGING) Look in my eyes And don't you see water? And it's all because of you Well look at me I ain't acting like I oughta And it's all because of you Ooh Ooh (CLEARS THROAT) Uh, George, can we get a

- GEORGE: Look, what is in your head, man?
'Cause you ain't singin' in there. How am I supposed to sing with what happened to Fred?
Look, you just do it.
Sing while my boy is lying dead? Look, a song ain't words on a page, man. That ain't music.

minute? - Come on.

Music is what you put into it.....and you can make that whatever you want.

I'm not singing so white motherfuckers can dance!

Well, them pale motherfuckers ain't dancing for free! (SIGHS)

Since when do you care if white folks dance anyway?

(SIGHING)

### MALE REPORTER:

of rioting in Detroit, ...three negros were shot to death in a motel room. Police and the Guardsmen had raided the motel, ... searching for snipers. Later, witnesses to the shootings... ...said the three negros had been lined up... ...and shot in cold blood by the officers. Today, two police officers were arrested .... ...and charged with the murders... ... of two of the negros shot in the motel. The officers, one with two years' service, ...the other with four... ... and no previous misconduct charges, ...were ordered held without bail. They pleaded not guilty. Their attorney said... ...the arrests were a shame and a pity. Police Commissioner, Ray Girardin, ...refused to discuss the facts of the case, ...except to say the two officers... Who do you got mail for?

#### MAILMAN:

Larry!
(MUSIC PLAYING ON RADIO)
Larry, you got a letter.
From the government.
(GROANS) Thank you.
- You're welcome.
(DOOR CLOSES)
(MEN CLAMORING)

## FRED:

I didn't do nothin'!

- KRAUSS:

- LEE:

KRAUSS: one by one...
...until you tell me
exactly what is going on
here. Don't look at me.
Turn around.
Start praying!

### FLYNN:

Get the fuck up! Get up!
Bullshit!
Stop fucking lying to me!

## LEE:

### **KRAUSS:**

is dead.

### **AUBREY:**

Please.

### **DEMENS:**

**AUBREY:** 

### FRED:

can I say something? I think you have the wrong house.

### MALE NEWSCASTER:

In the Algiers Motel case,
...both the prosecution and
the defense... in their
opening statements...
...reminded the all-white jury
of the racial violence...
...that seared Detroit two
summers ago.

ATTORNEY LANG: before the police....or military personnel started firing, ...to your knowledge, had there been any sniper fire... ...from inside the Algiers Motel or annex?

LARRY: And did you see anyone in the motel that night....with a gun of any kind in their hand.....outside of police officers or military personnel? I saw someone shoot a toy gun at one of his friends. A toy gun.

### AUERBACH:

Isn't it a fact that your head....was against the wall for most of the evening? No, sir, it is not. My hands were against the wall for most of the evening. That's a fact. I asked about your head.

My head is attached to my neck. It moves. This way, and that.

(ALL CHUCKLING)

### **AUERBACH:**

turn completely around... ...to see what's behind you? Unless you have a special skill... ...this courtroom should know about? (ALL CHUCKLE) You said you saw the flash before you heard the gunshot. Was that your testimony? Well, it was pretty confusing. Well, which is it? Which came first? Did you see the flash? When did you hear the body hit the floor? I can't say for sure. You said you were just outside the door. You also said you might be confused, ...that you don't know what point in time... ...these things happened. So, are you confused? I saw the flash, just through the door. What I need to know is, ...did you see Aubrey Pollard... ...make a threatening move toward my client? Or are you perhaps confused on that point as well? Yes, sir. Being a military man, ... you would be able to distinguish... ...between the uniforms

of a National Guardsman... ...and that of a Detroit police officer. Is that correct? I suppose. And so you say... ...that the man who took one of the victims into the room, ...that he was a National Guardsman? So I presume you know that because... ...he was wearing a uniform of the National Guard. Well, yes. I saw a guy in uniform take him back there. Did you see anybody else go back into that room? No. Would you have been able to see . . . ...if anybody else went back into that room? At the time, wasn't your head turned back around... ...by the police officers....that were still standing there with you? Yes. And so in one of the lineups, ...when you were asked to identify the officers who beat you, ...who did you identify? Do you see him here today in court? Him. And him. (ALL MURMURING) You just identified two of the defendants. Why would you identify only one of them... ...at the time of the lineup... ... if both of them took part in beating you? Which recollection for the record... ...would you say is the correct recollection? I just said I

couldn't tell at first.
When I went down to the
police station, I was very
nervous.

### AUERBACH:

And so now, you are calm?
And you will not be
changing your story again
then? This is it? This is
the one you want us to work
with? Objection. Asked and
answered.

### JUDGE:

## AUERBACH:

happened? (LEE CLEARS
THROAT) He fired off a shot
by my head and told me...
...to keep my mouth shut and
lay still. Or the next one
for real.
And what did you do?
I lie still. And were
you mistreated in any
way after that?
Mistreated? Have you
ever been arrested,
sir? Sure.

a room, and then what

## **AUERBACH:** a

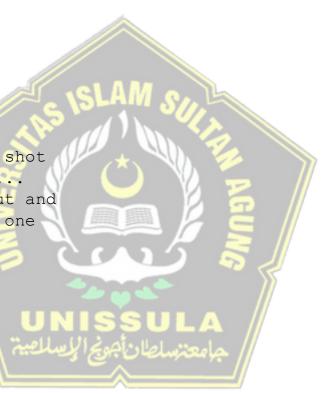
night in jail?

### LEE:

### AUERBACH:

have you been arrested?

- LEE:
- How many nights and days have you spent....in



prison for crimes you've committed...

LEE: ...or
alleged to have
committed?
Criminal acts.
I don't know. A few.

Are you certain? Yeah,

### ATTORNEY LANG:

you don't forget a
beating like that. So
you're certain that
these three men...
...beat you and the
others?
Yes, I'm certain.
(ALL MURMURING) Up until
some army guy pulled me
in a room....and told
me to lie still. Then you
heard him go out and tell
them I was dead.

### ATTORNEY LANG:

what's being referred to....as the "death game?" What did you see next? I didn't see nothin' lying face down on the floor, ...but I heard Aubrey yell, "Don't shoot." And he shot. I heard that. (ALL MURMURING)

### ATTORNEY LANG:

Your witness, council.

Now we've already talked to your cohort about,
...friend, Lee, about his criminal past. Have you

ever had trouble with the law? I'm not on trial here. No need to introduce a new crime, sir. Just the ones already known. Or maybe you can start by telling us, ...how did the night begin? Party? A few drinks? Man, why? Why y'all talking about me at all? Man, y'all see a black man in court... ...and assume I'm the one on trial. Man, they killed my friends, man! They beat us! (ALL CLAMORING) Lined us up and abused us and y'all doing the same thing! There's no justice here, Go fuck yourself, man. (ALL CLAMORING) (JUDGE BANGING GAVEL) -Man, no, get off of me!

## - JUDGE:

#### MICHAEL:

What? What you lookin' at? This is bullshit! (ALL CONTINUE CLAMORING) I think what is clear here, Your Honor, ...is that these men were under an intolerable situation. They were under this duress, which we say was inherent, ...and for that reason, had no other choice. All right.

All they had to do was keep quiet.

If they kept quiet, they wouldn't be here today.

But they made a statement, ...and that statement should be admissible.

#### AUERBACH:

made under duress, Your Honor. Not if the taking of those statements... ... violates constitutional rights. These policemen were owed an obligation. Advising them that they had a right to remain silent, ...they had a right to counsel, ...and that anything they said could be used against them... in a court of law. I don't think these defendants, ... because they're police officers, ... have any right to expect anything more from us, ...but they have a right under the Constitution... ...not to settle for anything less. I therefore rule the statements inadmissible. Wasn't that just a load of bullshit. Whew. (CHUCKLING) Wow, man. That was... You know as well I do, ...those kids shouldn't have been killed like that. Yeah. It's a shame. Should've complied with a lawful order...

...and relinquish their
weapons. But you're a solid
guy though. Really.
(RETCHING)
(COUGHS)
(INDISTINCT
CONVERSATIONS) They know
what they're supposed to
do. Jury entering. All
rise.
All rise.

### JUDGE:

a verdict in this matter, ...with regard to the charges of murder... in the first degree and assault?

## MALE HEAD JUROR:

We have, Your Honor.
On the assault,
...not guilty.
(ALL CLAMORING)
(SCATTERED APPLAUSE)

#### MALE HEAD JUROR:

As to the murder charges,
...not guilty.
(SCATTERED CHEERING) What we have witnessed today is a disappointment to the justice system, ...to the state of Michigan.

#### MALE REPORTER:

would you like to comment? This wouldn't have happened if they had found black girls....in a hotel with white men. No, sir. No way

would they do this.....to white men.
That's the truth!
And I don't care
who knows it! Thank you, ma'am.
Mr. Pollard, how do you feel
about losing your son?

#### MA:

How would you feel?
How would you feel?
It's a terrible pain.
- A pain that never goes away.

### - AUBREY SR.:

Thanks, man.

#### CONYERS:

will you conduct yourself...
...with a little bit of empathy?
We are here today to
witness....the justice
system at work and we
demand....that police
criminality be treated the
exact same way....as any
other form of criminality.

#### MALE REPORTER:

would say it's wrong...
...to judge the police
for doing theirjobs.

## **CONYERS:**

- You have my statement.

# - WOMAN:

#### CONYERS:

needs to be treated...
...the same as any other

form of criminality. (PEOPLE CHEERING) (MUSIC PLAYING) (SINGING) Some people are made of plastic You know some people are made of wood Some people have hearts of stone Some people are up to no good Some people But baby I'm for real I'm as real as real can get And if what you're looking

for is real lovin' Then

### MORRIS:

what you see

Is what you get

a contract, Larry. We gotta snatch this, brother. Not like this. Look, Motown is a blackonly company. Oh, but you know what I mean. Who listens to this music? This ain't easy for me, man. (SNIFFLES) We all a long way from easy. Well, then you do what you need. I'm gonna lay low. Come on, man. (SIREN BLARING IN DISTANCE) (INDISTINCT CONVERSATION) (SIGHS) (SHIVERING) (WIND HOWLING) (PIANO PLAYING) - (SIGHS)

Excuse me, brother.

- Yes, son. I submitted an application for the church choir director... ...and I never heard anything back. Oh, um, speak to the choirmaster. Okay, thank you. Excuse me. I submitted an application for the church choir director... ...and I never heard anything back. Larry Cleveland Reed. Larry. Uh... Oh, I remember. You're with The Dramatics, right? Yes, sir. You're a little bit overgualified. We're just a neighborhood church. Well, yeah, I am overqualified. So? Why don't you go try some of those clubs downtown? I'm sure they'd be happy to have you. And I guarantee you, the pay will be much better. (SIGHS) There's police at those clubs downtown. And it's dangerous. Sir, can you please help me? I need a job. Do you sing any liturgical music?

#### LARRY:

Let me see if I...
Okay. (CLEARS THROAT)
(SINGING) Master
(PIANO PLAYING)
The tempest is raging
Oh the billows
Are tossing high

The sky Is overshadowed with blackness No shelter or help Is nigh Carest thou not That we perish? How can thou lie asleep When each moment So madly is threatening Oh a grave A grave A grave A grave In the angry deep Get up, Jesus Because (CHOIR CONTINUES SINGING) (SONG ENDS)

