

Monday May 21, 2007

Dear State Leaders, Chapter Leaders and fellow Minutemen,

By now you have probably heard rumors or received an email about a massive purge of your National and State Leaders. These rumors are true. The numbers are staggering and to any one who is capable of reason, the devastating effect on your MCDC is inescapable. As you review the documents attached you will recognize many of the names of those leaders. Maybe one is your state leader, or the leader of a State in which you served on the border. Others you will recognize by their reputations as long time, completely dedicated Minutemen and Leaders. None of these men have ever had their dedication questioned, or have ever brought even a hint of disgrace or scandal to your MCDC. Each is a proven dedicated Patriot who has always kept our mission foremost while fiercely protecting the integrity of the organization you and they have built.

All of you know and /or have served with at least one of these Leaders. You know their quality and integrity.

What great crime was committed by this group to bring about the termination of half the National Leadership and almost half of the State leadership? As the accompanying documents, the actual termination letter, and the e-mails exchanged between this committee of state leaders and Chris Carmen, and Al Garza will clearly establish, we were terminated for Inviting Chris, Carmen, and Al to a meeting of this committee so we could discuss those issues described below. This sounds preposterous but read the documents and the e-mails and they will affirm that is the reason.

The following is a rough time line and sequence of events that has led to this madness.

As the serving Deputy Executive Director of MCDC I was charged with contacting State Leaders. Toward the end of April of this year I was contacted by a Minuteman and asked to moderate a planned conference call involving up to 18 State Leaders.

I agreed and thought it a good opportunity to ascertain the health of the organization as seen through the eyes of these state directors. During the course of this tele-conference a number of issues developed that were common to most of the directors, were of a long standing nature , and each had at different times attempted to address these issues with Chris, Carmen or Al Garza only to be put off, ignored or the promised resolution never developed.

As you survey the list of grievances attached to this missive you will see that most of the issues are certainly not new, all directly affect the health of the organization, the credibility of the organization, and if there is valid problems the aftermath of those problems will directly affect every Minuteman in his community, with his family, and his friends as each of us has staked our personal reputations on our Minuteman activities.

During the course of the first tele-conference much of the anger and frustration was worked through and the state leaders distilled the issues down to 10 distinct areas they felt had to be addressed with Chris Simcox as soon as possible as all were tired of being put off, ignored or receiving promises for resolutions that were never kept. Knowing that Chris was doing a number of

speaking engagements across the country they discussed flying to one of the cities in which he was speaking and having a face to face with him there. Upon learning that this speaking tour was in conjunction with a family vacation that plan was scrapped as all felt it inappropriate to intrude on the family vacation in this manner.

It was then determined that Chris would be back in Arizona. for the May 19th Muster. The State leaders determined to set up a meeting in Phoenix on the 19th so Chris would have no problem making it as this is his home town and he would be there. Still considering myself a facilitator to this committee I set up a meeting place and time that would make it easy for Chris to attend. I then sent an e-mail to Chris, Carmen, And Al notifying them of the meeting. I did not expect Chris to be happy about it but neither I nor the State Leaders anticipated the paranoia driven nightmare we were about to be plunged into.

Bob Wright
Deputy Executive Director



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TO: Chris Simcox, President, Minuteman Civil Defense Corps
Carmen Mercer, Vice President
Al Garza, Executive Director

FROM: State Chapter Director Leadership Committee

DATE: May 8, 2007

RE: Requested Meeting / Content

Dear Mr. Simcox,

We, the State Chapter Director Leadership Committee request a meeting with you and the National Team to discuss the issues we need addressed. Many in the committee will be coming in from out of state at our own cost; we encourage you to make every effort to attend this meeting. We understand you will be in Arizona that day.

Saturday May 19th 2007
1PM-5PM

Clarion Hotel
5121 E La Puente Ave
I-10 & Elliot Rd
Phoenix, Arizona (480)893-3900

The purpose of this meeting is to openly address the issues and concerns that many of us as leaders continue to have, with out resolution. This open format presents an opportunity to air grievances, disputes, protocol practices, all while in a private arena. We are hopeful that the issues we bring to the table will be talked about with hopes of resolution, time frame for possible changes, and future direction.

Listed below are the issues in which we would like to discuss:

- 1) Financial Accountability: To date, there has not been a serious form of financial accountability on many levels, to Chapter Leadership. We believe strongly that current accountability should be provided to each local and State chapter upon request. Current and past requests go unanswered.
- 2) New Chapters are not getting the tools and resources they have been instructed they will receive, such as seed money and merchandise.
- 3) Reimbursement of expenses not made in a timely manner if at all.
- 4) Micro-management from Mr. Simcox: It appears to us that 1 person has complete control of the organization from financial, operational, new chapter development, leadership placement, media and public relations. Discuss the problems this presents.
- 5) SOP: Long Arms on posts (State to State difference on SOP). I.e.: Setting up U-Shaped entrapments at AZ operations in April 2007. National interaction over local authority in localized issues.
- 6) National Leadership Restructure: Mr. Simcox should remain as Pres of MCDC with sole purpose of working our political arm and media/public relations. Not involved in operations, chapter management, or finances. We seek to have a National Leadership Team that represents the Minutemen body of volunteers, and are held accountable by the same. We would like to address this restructure to include either appointing National Leadership Teams by State Chapter Director Leadership Committee, or by an open vote from members of MCDC.
- 7) Poor communication structure throughout MCDC leadership, National down to local chapter levels. Recommend monthly conference calls, regional conference calls.

8) Full explanation of the status of the 501C-3, relationship between Denier, Declaration Alliance, Alan Keyes, MCDC PAC, MCDC Fence and any other organization that MCDC has agreements with or intends on interacting with.

9) National HQ Office, is it worth the 60K annual expense to man and fund?

These are the issues we would like to discuss at great length. We firmly believe in the organization we have all built, and do not want to see it become fractured. This is our effort to keep MCDC whole, and make it possible for future growth. We look forward to meeting with you and sharing our ideas.

Semper Vigilans,

Bob Wright, NM State Director, National Leadership, Committee Chair SDL Committee
Bill Irwin, National Operations Officer

David Jones (Pineapple 6), Prescott AZ Chapter Director
Pete Lanteri, NY Chapter Director
Greg Thompson, OK Chapter Director, New Chapter Development Director
Hal Washburn, WA Ops Director
Warren Mcquiggen, National Communications Officer
Walter Adams, PA Chapter Director
Jim Furnison, OH Chapter Director
Ed Hayes, KS Chapter Director
Jeff Henry, CO Chapter Director
Dennis Murphy, NE Chapter Director
Ron Oplinus, NH Chapter Director
Claud Leblaus, WA Chapter Director
Tom Franiac, MO Chapter Director
Jim Carter, TN Chapter Director
Mike Forest, OR Chapter Director
Stacey O'Connell, Minuteman, past Phoenix Chapter Director, past AZ Chapter Director



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May. 14, 2007

Subject: Unauthorized State Directors Meeting in Phoenix, AZ 5/19/2007

To: Bob Wright and Appended CC List

In response to your letter of May 8, 2007 to Chris Simcox, Carmen Mercer and Al Garza you are notified that the meeting scheduled for Saturday May 19th 2007 at 1PM-5PM at the Clarion Hotel in Phoenix, Arizona you have proposed is unauthorized, and under no circumstances is it sanctioned or approved by the Minuteman Civil Defense Corps, Inc.

Further, the Board of Directors of MCDC, Inc. has at no time authorized a "State Leadership Committee" and this shadow entity and any business or actions proposed by it violate the organizational chain of command most recently and formally agreed to in leadership meetings held with national leadership volunteers October 2006. By calling a "State Directors Meeting" you have violated the official corporate By-Laws of MCDC, Inc. regarding legal authority for conducting business and affairs for the corporation.

Additionally, the proposed listed agenda is not within the scope of any tasks assigned to Bob Wright, who volunteered to report to Al Garza in a purely administrative role to provide support to MCDC Board-appointed national leaders to plan successful border operations and assist in expanding the number of state locations seeking to establish MCDC chapters.

This proposed meeting therefore cannot be called by Mr. Wright or his associates, nor conducted to address MCDC business as it relates to any aspect of MCDC operations, procedures or organizational structure.

It is the right of anyone to freely assemble. However, this letter will serve as notice to all those listed in the "CC Appendix" of Mr. Wright's May 8, 2007 communication that Bob Wright, Greg Thompson, Stacey O'Connell and Bill Irwin have been terminated for cause as volunteers and volunteer leaders

within MCDC. This proposed meeting is not an MCDC sanctioned meeting and should you choose attend with the stated purpose and meeting agenda, you will be terminated by MCDC.

Your written response, confirmed via facsimile sent to 281-242-9820, for MCDC Arizona Headquarters records, is required by 5 PM EST on 5/16/2007. Your response must include a statement of whether you have elected to withdraw from this proposed unsanctioned meeting and wish to continue with MCDC affiliation, or resign.

If you fail to respond within this deadline to the above referenced fax number, MCDC will assume you have elected to resign all association and affiliation with Minuteman Civil Defense Corps.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, do not hesitate to contact any of the members of the Board of Directors or the Executive Director, listed below.

Sincerely,

Minuteman Civil Defense Corps
Chris Simcox, President – MCDC Board Chairman
Carmen Mercer, Vice President – MCDC Board Member
John Acer, Secretary – MCDC Board Member
Al Garza, Executive Director

Cc:

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Confirming documents sent via UPS.

To see why this had to happen, and how we predicted it, read our exclusive [report](#):