

8th July 2016

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RE: 2016 Clemency Petition of Leonard Peltier

Mr. Zauzmer, a chara,

I would like to draw your attention to a most urgent matter, the clemency application of Leonard Peltier. On February 17th, 2016 his attorney Martin Garbus filed the petition with the President of the United States. The process of clemency begins within your office. I urge you to please act swiftly and expedite this process sending the petition with a favourable recommendation to President Obama.

I have enclosed our letter for the President to you for your review. I appreciate the time you give to this letter and Mr. Peltier's application. If you need anything further please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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Barack Obama President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President

Leonard Peltier has spent over 40 years in prison for a crime his co-defendants, were acquitted by jury, on grounds of self-defence. Mr. Peltier was extradited from Canada, stood trial in a United States' federal court and convicted all under very questionable circumstances. He is 71 years old, in extremely poor health leaving him very vulnerable given his incarceration is in a maximum security prison. His only desire is to go home and spend the remainder of his years on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation, surrounded by his family and friends.

I am not trying to diminish the loss of life nor the pain and suffering for all deeply affected. However, it is time to move forward, a time for healing and a time for reconciliation between the United States government and the First Peoples of America. As long as Leonard Peltier continues to be in prison, he remains a symbol of the injustice and inequality towards Native Americans.

I ask you to please urgently grant executive elemency to Leonard Peltier, let him go home to his family.

Respectfully,

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