



## *Shattered Cause*

A report on John ("Juanito") Burns, and the proceedings of his "Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico" ; as compiled by alienated former member, Rick Gonzales, founder of the Brown Beret League of New Mexico.



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In writing this dossier, we have stayed as close to the truth as it could be remembered. Most of the information has been gathered via email correspondence, and actual events committed to memory. Names of some principal people may have been omitted for their protection, or respect of their privacy. No doubt memories occasionally simplify the line between cause and effect. We are confident, however, that memories have not distorted the truth. Certain Incidents really happened like this.

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## Rick Gonzales

I wrote this dossier, because I felt it was an absolute necessity that something must be done to at least convey the (conduct and activities, behavior, and proceedings) of Jon “Juanito” Burns Jr, and his “Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. I was a former Minister of Public Relations AND Field Commander for Valencia County, NM in my tenure with Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, and hopefully this report will shed light on why my dealings, (specifically with Burns) and why I both resigned and initiated the Brown Beret League of New Mexico.

In my tenure with Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, I witnessed a lot of misconduct and reckless leadership, on the part of Jon Burns, the self-styled leader. I experienced and witnessed a manipulative personality the likes of which I haven’t seen in a long time, and of a magnitude I have never seen.

As Public Relations Minister, it was my role (and I took it upon myself as duty) to bolster and polish our image, both externally and internally. I was instrumental, in securing the autonomy of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, and in helping Burns officiate his new group I did a lot of work on the administrative and organizing end, trying to shape policy, etc.

I did this while juggling my other duties, in marketing and design, as well as juggling a full-time job, a personal life, and occupying a second position as Field Commander of Valencia County, NM - my then place of residence.

Over time, I began to note things about Burns - namely his inappropriate conduct and talk surrounding sex, concerning both females and males. He often made remarks about some of our female members, that were lewd and innapropriate - especially for a married man, claiming to believe in “equal rights.” He often talked about sodomy, and rape, and even groped me

several times in public, and in front of other members, grabbing my pectoral region, or even my backside.

Burns had even been talking sexually to female members over the phone, trying to coax sexual favors. Burns attempted bargaining with a female member, saying that he would stop talking badly about me, if she performed fellatio on him.

Burns would continually talk about violence and turf wars concerning other Beret organizations coming into New Mexico in spite of the fact that he himself is **NOT** a New Mexico Native. He would routinely talk about “taking out” specific members of

Carnalismo, and would try to inject paranoia into us members in order to bolster loyalty to him.

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The misconduct and slander toward me eventually became too much for me to ever associate with Burns, or attach my name to his organization. It grew increasingly apparent that he wasn’t genuine in

his intentions, and that he fantasizes about power and control, under the guise of an equal rights struggle.

When I resigned, I refused to relinquish my life’s oath of being a Brown Beret, and initiated a sovereign organization, to which he responded threateningly and adversely.

But I will NEVER relent, and go quietly as so many others he’s ostracized; because I’m a Brown Beret, and my willingness to fight for my belief, my very tenacity underscores that fact.

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## Isabella M.



I am a former member of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. In my tenure with the organization run by Jon (“Juanito”) Burns, Jr I served initially as Field Commander of Bernalillo County, NM and later as Minister of Information and later (after the resignation of former Minister Jerome Gallegos) as Minister Intelligence. In my tenure and activity with Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, I helped with disseminating information, assembling/facilitating meetings (including our then first ever State Meeting), formatting and disseminating official documents, participating in and opening votes, etc. As a licensed Therapist, I also performed informal outreach on many of our members, and even to Burns himself. Both I and Minister Gonzales were even present at the hospital when one of our members was taken off of life support.

Over time, it became increasingly apparent how Burns blurred the lines of boundaries, with respect to the personal lives of members, including my own. In our telephone conversations, Burns would routinely table “beret” related discussions and redirect the conversations toward sex. Burns often tried equating our relationship/involvement in the organization as a familial dynamic, and would use this false sense of camaraderie to inject himself into personal facets our lives. Initially, because Burns had engaged my sense of trust, I divulged certain aspects of my life, as we all have done with dear friends. Over time, however, Burns would use this information to try to leverage himself over me, and try coax either information or reciprocity from me.

Because I wanted to so badly be a Brown Beret, and stay in alignment with my goals in helping my Gente achieve Civil Rights, I tried to brush some of the unprofessional conduct aside, and get down to “*Brown Beret Business.*” Burns however was very persistent and needy. Things grew worse when I prudently began a personal relationship with then Minister of Public Relations, Gonzales.

Initially Burns offered his blessing and goodwill toward us, as we began to forge a life, a home and a family together. But as time sped on, Burns quickly began leveraging, and “power playing,” exploiting confidential, privileged information – most of which had been confided in his wife, Irene Burns, who divulged that privileged information back to Burns.

Burns would even go on to claim that as Minister of Intelligence, my role was more vital than other Ministers, and he thusly needed constant, daily phone contact with me. After his perpetrating actions, I decided to limit my phone contact with Burns, and instead indicated my availability via email, etc. Burns would constantly attempt to instant message me when he saw I was online, or have his wife, Irene phone me, under the guise of wanting to talk - she would then hand the phone over to Burns.

This kind of harassment went on, and got to be too much to endure, and over time Burns began to cite my limited phone contact being orchestrated by Minister Gonzales, whom he’d been misleading to other members that Gonzales was falsely imprisoning me and bullying/abusing me. Burns continued to marginalize Minister Gonzales and I and went on to smear us both behind our backs.

Upon learning that Burns was going to impose a “Mandatory Meeting” in order to suspend me and oust Minister Gonzales, I sadly realized that I was fed up with his organization, and politely submitted my resignation letter. Even after my submission letter, and the resignation letter of Gonzales, Burns is still insistent on causing dischord in our lives.

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**ISABELLA M.**  
*Brown Beret League of New Mexico*





# Dominic Mendez

Prime Minister • Carnalismo Colorado

To all it may concern,

We (Colorado Brown Berets) have watched this entire situation unravel throughout this entire time. Now is not the time for blame games and who started this. I am not going to get into that issue anymore. The issue at hand is stopping this tirade. It must come to a complete end. We can no longer ignore this or overlook what is going on. John must be stopped! This gang mentality he is bestowing on our people will not do us any good in the our struggles.

We must band together (all Berets) to stop this no matter what views or “beefs” we have with one another. Every day he is allowed to operate he does damage to the “Brown Beret” name. People rarely see what other title is in the name; they recognize only Brown Berets. If you are blinded to this you yourself have become a fool. This can be a learned lesson for all of us, and hopefully we can stop this madman and move forward as a whole.

Our entire Raza looks up to us and mimics our actions and behaviors. When we continue to allow someone like this to operate and create a gang mentality towards one another what does that say about us as Brown Berets? We can fight the struggle, but when it comes to an impostor infuriating our beloved organization we turn a blind eye to what’s going on?

I (Dominic Mendez) for one refuse to ignore this, now will you also do the same? We are entering a uneasy and scary time in our Country and it’s more imperative than ever to band together and unite in order to overcome what’s ahead of us. We cannot do this if we allow things like the “New Mexico Madman” divide us. When we unite we become stronger. We can show our people we are capable of setting aside personal beliefs and views in order to help our Gente.

We have all made mistakes and paid the price one way or another; but we must also realize we all

became Brown Berets to make a difference, and to combat against issues like the one at hand.

Who is with us? Who is against us? Who wants to make a difference? So I am asking ALL Berets

to please unite and let us all overcome adversity and stop people like John Burns Jr. (he is not even “Spanish” like he claims) smearing our name, and people like him operating to destroy the organization from inside.

We are the leaders, the Heroes, the Soldados of our people. It is now time, my fellow brethren ,to unite and start making a difference once and for all! Thank you for reading this.

**Dominic Mendez**  
**Prime Minister and Soldado**  
**of Colorado Brown Berets**

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## "The Letter"

Prime Minister, Dominic Mendez,  
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The following is a letter Burns continually ranted over, apparently coming from Dominic Mendez, Prime Minister Carnalismo Colorado, and written to Victor San Miguel, Prime Minister of

Carnalismo Tejas. The letter outlines Dominic's grievances and concerns. Most of us were dismissive of the letter at first, and responded with the hostility toward Mr. Mendez which Burns had

been grooming us for. This same letter however began to echo ripples of truth over time, as we compared it's content with our own experiences under the leadership of Burns:

" We the Soldados of the Colorado Brown Berets are making a public announcement about a Situation that has been evolving these past few months. As of now we are cutting off ALL ties with the New Mexico Brown Berets ran under John Burns a.k.a. Juanito. We have tried to resolve the many issues between us and his other actions. He has treated the Berets as that of a gang and he being the ring leader of it all. He has misinformed ALL Brown Beret units telling them he is the #1 guy of all the Carnalismo Chapters.. This could not be further from the truth. Carnalismo does not have a head national figure and will never have one. He has tried to deceive everybody with him using the name of "La Voz" this was originally made as nothing more than a way to communicate with other chapters it was more of an extra responsibility NOT a position of power. John a.k.a. Juanito perverted this title into a way to gain momentum to attempt total control of all Berets. After explaining to him many of times not to do it John a.k.a. Juanito ignored all request. He has tried to stop this title going to a vote many of times attempting to change our laws about everybody being able to vote on it. John approached me several times trying to get me to support the idea of him becoming the head figure on the telephone. He went as far as telling me that "Victor (Prime Minister of Texas ) was Sick and on his way out and Victor told him to take over all of Carnalismo". When I talked to Victor about this he had stated to me that he never told him anything remotely close to this. This was just one of the times he has tried to "dupe" me into making him the head figure (I found this to be an extremely low brow method but it's still a warning sign).

John has also attempted to cut off all communications between Colorado B.B. and All other Brown Beret units by telling everyone that all information was to be ran exclusively through him and only him. Some actually listened to him and cut off communication with our chapter. For John it is all about power. One of the first things he ever told when I talked to him was how he wanted to talk about joining with nationals and "if anyone is going to be on a seat it was going to be him". This for me was the first of many signs of his personal agenda with the Berets. Another problem we had continuous problems with was he attempted on MANY occasions to use the La Raza Eagle in a gang related manor (Nortenos) on the internet. He would proudly tell me that "this was norte califas 14" and that's where he was from. This was stated to me in a letter. We also had to stop him from trying to start a Brown Beret M.C. (also stated in the same letter). He constantly had visual artwork on his myspace page of gang related drawings of " Northern California ". After telling him several times to take it down because of the message that would be perceived of Carnalismo Brown Berets and how it miss represented everything we are trying to fight against John had said "Colorado was a bunch of cry babies" and it was his site and he could do whatever he wanted. Since then he has always kept things on the internet about Northern California on his site even though it's a New Mexico Chapter. John has told me that everyone in his state N.M "was a bunch of Pussy's" for not joining with him and has told several others similar statements about Colorado (and from what I gath-

ered other units outside of Carnalismo) to other Beret Units. He has managed to damage any kind of unity with all chapters within all the states by either his arrogance or just an outright attempt to control other units. As of this past month he damaged ties with Carnalismo and the Aztlan Chapters at a meeting. He followed NONE of the things asked of him at the meeting and when approached about it he became agitated and hostile about the situation. He has now begun to make an ultimate attempt for total control by starting a Carnalismo Familia Unidos style "Group" and is trying to set up chapters here in Colorado and is treating this like a Gang. HE MUST BE STOPPED AT ALL COST! He has tarnished the Carnalismo Beret units. If allowed to continue operate we feel he can do Irreversible damage to ALL Brown Berets (not just Carnalismo). In our opinion (and several others) he is a Snake and a Rat and, a security risk. We are making this public to everyone so they know we have not endorsed ANY of his actions and will not have ANY Affiliation with him EVER!!! We will continue to repair the damage done by him and keep open communication with all units without worry about John a.k.a. Juanito interfering. If there are any questions please contact the Colorado Brown Berets. We will be happy to answer any questions about this matter or anything else. Sincerely,

Dominic Mendez  
Prime Minister and Soldado  
of Colorado Brown Berets



It has been witnessed that Jon (“Juanito”) Burns, Jr of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. is not a Civil Rights leader at all - and is NOT authentic in his claims toward the advancement of Chicano/Hispanic/Latino/Mexica people. Burns makes hasty promotions, often promoting

people without ANY sort of screening process, or any merits earned. Burns uses “promotions” to bolster the egos of weaker-minded people, who obey everything he says. Burns has lost many “Ministers” (some of which never contributing anything) including his own personal Protege,

Jerome Gallegos. Burns has also made ministerial appointments to people who were never heard from again.

The following goes point-by-point, on what has been endured in the past, under the leadership of Jon Burns:

• **GANG MENTALITY:** Burns has actively honed-in on and groomed Gangbangers (or former gangbangers, who haven’t left “gang life” behind for recruitment. He cited his reasons being their “street smarts” being an attribute, but many of us had yet to see them bring any real benefits to the organization. They themselves often lived a lifestyle or conditions, which deemed someone should come to their aid, or do outreach to. It would seem more that he recruits certain individuals to assemble his own private army.

Jon Burns continually talks about warring with other beret organizations, and infuses his paranoia on his members-talking of threats from Aztlan Berets, or Carnalismo Colorado, and would ask us if we were willing to go to war with other berets. He claims New Mexico as his territory - though he is likely the only member of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico who isn’t a native New Mexican, and says he’s from East Oakland. He has talked continually about going into Colorado and “taking care” of or killing Dominic. He uses Dominic’s letter to Victor San Miguel as an example of an offense which he deems worthy of inflicting violence (or worse) should another beret draft another letter similar to Dominic’s.

Burns refers to his organization as a family, and uses that to infuse gang mentality. He exploits the most impressionable members by promoting them abruptly, and appointing some as his “personal body guards.” He did this with his “Assistant Prime Minister/Minister of Discipline/Personal Bodyguard, Victor Barela who he refers to as “The Black Hand.” Burns has admonished other members that he task Barela to do “things” for him. He has implied that Barela was to carry out violence on any member whom he felt betrayal from.

• **Straining Burdens:** Encumbrance on members, especially those who are employed, college graduates with careers, trades people such as mechanics, etc. If someone had a skill set, he immediately instructed other members to approach that individual for things such as money, counseling, etc. He attempted to coax a member who was a licensed therapist to fudge documents, in order to claim he had used her services in order to acquire more VA benefits.

Burns volunteered the homes of other members as meeting places, etc. and has made those assumptions without their consent or knowledge. Burns never seemed concerned with barging in on people, or putting them out, when visiting from Taos, NM. Because Burns is unemployed, and now on disability, he has lost ALL understanding of other members who DO have to work for a living - he would routinely call at work, or during work hours, intruding on their jobs, never politely asking if that individual had a minute, or if he was interrupting something. He would babble on and

on, never concerned about how much time he was taking. Burns tends to be very demanding, should he make a visit from Taos to Albuquerque he tries to get members to take the day off and accommodate for his visits.

Burns has used his free time as an unemployed person to his favor regarding the Whitten Inn Protest. He and other members who had protested almost daily, were able to do so not so much because of their tenacity, but largely because they were unemployed and didn’t need to worry about being at jobs day-in-and-day-out. Though LULAC already established a presence there, Burns was hungry for media attention and jumped on the incident, demanding the same from his out-of-town, already strained members, and talking badly about those who couldn’t participate.

• **Conniving;** feeding different members with different, privileged, or planted information/misinformation to create confusion and disrupt any chances of true trust among soldados. Burns picks and chooses his favorites, and changes these from time-to-time to accommodate to his liking. He then excludes the previous “favorites” from information, and leaves them out of the loop of information.

• **Racism;** Burns would send offensive text messages about African Americans to us members via his cell phone - something contradictory toward any sort of racial/ethnic Civil Rights cause, and downright putrid.

• **stalks/recruits;** young women on Myspace; it has been observed that Jon Burns spends a considerable amount of time on the Social Networking site, Myspace to start up dialogue with young Chicana women. Many of these women are single mothers, have suffered personal tragedies, and live in compromising positions. He grooms these young Chicanas, establishes comfort, and then swears them in over the phone, with no real screening process.

• **Sexual Harassment:** Displays perverse, inappropriate sexual behavior/gestures of both a homo and heterosexual nature - Burns has grabbed, groped and pinched members inappropriately, dismissive of it as joking. Burns has also non-consensually kissed another female on the neck in her own home. His wife caught a glimpse of the incident.

Burns would always talk inappropriately about sex to all members, and write it off as joking. He has used this dialogue to disarm people’s guard about sexual boundaries and has attempted to leverage himself to receive sexual favors from at least one female member. He tried coaxing this female member to perform fellatio on him when he and his “Black Hand,” Victor Barela were supposed to make a trip from Taos to Albuquerque where they were to all travel to Arizona, to assist a break-away chapter in some officiations.

Burns continually verbally badgered this female

member, constantly calling her, and transitioning the conversation to his desire for her to perform fellatio on him. He would even bully and talk badly about another Minister, and when that female member would come to that Minister’s defense, he would attempt to bargain with her and tell her that he would cease the ridicule and name-calling if she would perform the sex act. He talked so much about this sex act to this female that he simply began to refer to it as “the thing.” Burns would say things like: “...so when are you gonna do that thing for me...” or “I’m coming to Burque and I want you to do that thing for me so I can see how good your are...”

After the discoveries were made about the misconduct, a male Minister, Rick Gonzales confronted Burns over the phone. Jon Burns became furious, and implied that the exchange with the female member was consensual (though Burns is married, thusly still violated Codes of Conduct) and that the male Minister’s mind was clouded, since he and that female had since begun a relationship outside of the berets. Burn’s furious jealousy over this knew no bounds, as he slandered both Minister’s behind their backs, and cursed them for starting a relationship that he had initially offered his blessing toward.

Burns even accused the male Minister of keeping the female Minister from talking to him - never once acknowledging his harassment and perpetrating as her reasons for limiting contact. The female Minister no longer felt safe around Burns, and expressed that she was terrified of him, and worried that he would eventually harm her someday.

After not getting satisfactory results from this female member, Burns began his own smear campaign against her - telling other members that “she thinks everyone wants her.” Burns also told another member that she “wanted to f\*ck him,” or that sometimes she would call him while “...riding on top of some guy she’s f\*cking with a dildo up her a\*\*...”

After the female Minister confronted Juanito over the phone over these rumors, he was dismissive, and moved the topic to other rants and meanderings, down playing it completely, while acknowledging the female’s source of the rumors. The source was a former female member, the cousin of Burn’s wife.

• **Freeloading:** Burns encourages other members to get on SSI, Disability, or otherwise. He encourages them to not work, but instead to rely on government handouts and charities.

• **Corruption:** Talks constantly about affiliating with other organizations, such as LULAC, and saying “we’ll get a hold of that feria.” He talks of getting his hands on money from organizations to use to his/their liking.

• **Takeovers:** spoke continually of grooming certain members of LULAC, and endorsing certain LULAC office candidates, thereby “taking over” LULAC.



## Blow up, over BIG sweeping decisions

The following is a string of emails that circulated between October 8, 2009 and October 11, 2009 regarding some changes within Los Brown Berets de Nueve Mexico. The exchange involves Juanito Burns Jr (Prime Minister), Rick A. Gonzales (Minister of Public Relations), former Minister of Intelligence, and Minister of Defense. What you will read underscores the kind of reckless decision making, and how constructive criticism on Mr. Gonzales' part was dealt with. Burns flew off the handle immediately when Gonzales tried to clearly voice his concerns point-by-point. Gonzales was treated with total disrespect, and after

calling Burns about his first nasty email, Burns initiated a shouting match over the phone - calling Gonzales a "little bitch." Gonzales responded in kind, being intolerant of disrespect - especially from a Beret organization he had volunteered and worked hard for. Burns later that night phoned Gonzales, and they made amends, but things were never the same after that.

Please keep in mind, that any perceptions of Carnalismo were strictly opinions of the members under Burns, who have little to no information about Brown Berets outside of New Mexico:

### Juanito's Initial Message:

**Thursday, October 8, 2009 9:49 PM**

*To all of Our Very Loyal Ministers,*

*First off what I would like to Bring up is The Question of why are we collecting money for North Tejas Commander Alvaro Martinez is because he would be going to The Carnalismo Summit in San Antonio, he will be with Our Sandoval County Field Commander pinch hitting for us in the Big Meeting. As you all know I have been working with Tejas Prime Minister Victor San Miguel on a Possible Alliance. He wants to have an Advisory board for The Carnalismo National Brown Berets. He is Requesting that I come back on board to be La Voz del Carnalismo again, or The Main Speaker of the Board. I would then Rescind my role of Prime Minister to Victor Barela, as you know I have been training him for all this time with Plenty of one on one Training. I would be Re-writing many of the New Regulations to Protect other Berets from having any more Problems like I had Before. Everything will be running pretty much the same as before, I will still be around to watchover and Advise Victor (sic, Barela) and his Assistant that will be of his choosing as was my choice. With me sitting on the Board of The Carnalismo National Brown Berets, I will always keep the Concerns of Nuevo Mexico first and foremost. The main difference would be that we would be wearing the Carnalismo Patch on Our Berets and we would still keep Our Nuevo Mexico Patch on Our Shirts. I am asking Our Group to consider if we want to be Officially a Part of The Carnalismo again. I am Thanking you in advance for your Consideration in this Matter. Much love Love and Respect,*

**Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.**

**Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico**

### Rick Gonzales, Minister PR Initial Response:

**Friday, October 9, 2009 3:37 PM**

• I have issue with us sending money to other berets, when many of our own berets are destitute, unemployed, can't make their rent or pay their utilities, or can't even take a bus out to Cruces to see their dying Uncle (another, unnamed member). We wouldn't ask any other berets for money. If anything we should be raising the money to send one or a couple of our own out there.

• I have never had a problem with a Carnalismo alliance, and have always felt that at least some of us should wear the Carnalismo patch IN CONJUNCTION with our own patch - to commemorate our past and our affiliation.

• You know I have HUGE issues with you recinding your role to Victor. While it's always been known he would be your replacement, it was portrayed to me that it was a long-term ideal, and that should you retire, or fall ill or in death he would carry the torch. This sort of scenario I envisioned YEARS away - NOT MONTHS. It was NOT under my impression that he would be promoted after just over 4 short months to a state level Executive Position. When you refer to training, I'm not even sure what you're referring to, and early on felt it was unfair promoting Victor so quickly simply because he lived closeby, and was doing yard work and chores for you. I have no problems with Victor and think he's an awesome man. However, I have not seen a whole lot come out of him. The only times I've heard from him on the phone were mainly when you put him on. He hasn't been receptive to emails, or mspace messages, hasn't been instrumental in planning events, and only comes down from Taos when you bring him.

• I also think it's unfair for Victor to make appointments for his "right hand point person" so early in the game - taking Jose (a member since only July) from his well-suited, well-seated position helping us in Burque and surrounding counties, and bestowing Jose with the new title. I have a feeling you have more to do with that decision than Victor or Jose, and wonder if you're doing so out of resentment for Isabella and I consecrating a relationship and (me) confronting some of your conduct on some inappropriate things you've said to her in the past.

• I feel that when you say you would be re-writing regulations to protect us, I think it just underscores your drive in vengence toward Dominic, and that you've let that drive consume you, and take the forefront of your agenda. While I understand why you would feel that way, I don't think of it as helpful to what we're trying to do here in NM, and I think you've let it consume you.

• You say you will always keep concerns for New Mexico first and foremost, but I don't see a whole lot of reflection of that when you make sweeping lateral decisions without votes, and imprudent, abrupt appointments and promotions of officers who haven't earned their positions through merit or participation.

I have expressed to you that should you sit on that board with Carnalismo, we don't necessarily need a Prime Minister, and would operate more fluidly with a council-of-ministers, who actually vote on things such as Promotions, Appointments, Agendas, Strategies, Intitiatives, etc.

A Minister Council would be in contrast to one person incautiously promoting people, or bestowing them with whatever title strikes their whims, or entertaining notions that are far from an organized agenda. I think t's too much power for one person to wield, and that a body of governing that votes on issues is much more fair.

You seem to approach this as an all-or-nothing decision, and don't want to look at a fusion or hybrid system where we can affiliate with Carnalismo yet govern ourselves. To be honest, I DON'T want some outside, larger body governing our group, I want us to be able to operate on our own, to formulate and abide by our own ranking structures, and to formulate our own systems of policies and procedures. Since we have left Carnalismo, I personally have exhaustivley re-branded us as Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, creating print-material, vinyl banners, and web graphics under our decided autonomy and branding. I have been there to help reinforce our brand/logo/image, to futher legitimize it, and give us identity. I think that identity could be lost, and ALL of my previous efforts, including time, effort and expense would be kicked to the curb.



**Juanito's Response to Rick Gonzales:  
Friday, October 9, 2009 6:35 PM**

BULLSHIT RICKY, yes you are acting just like you said last night, THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU AND ISA, FUCK YOU to ever Insinuate I would be a little Bitch like you, as far as I'm Concerned Mr. Manipulative, You have a hidden agenda of your own and I think you think too much on Isa and it clouds your Judgement on everything you do, How dare you say I make shitty Calls as a Prime Minister you couldn't wipe my ass compared to me as a Prime Minister.

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

**Female Minister's Initial Response to Juanito:  
Friday, October 9, 2009 7:27 PM**

Juanito,  
This is to serve as my response to your email regarding the potential changes within the organization. Regarding Carnalismo, my concern is that for several months there has been talk about Carnalismo, ranging from very positive to very negative. Due to this back and forth, I am concerned about the stability of the organization regarding communication and the lack of the right hand communicating with the left. I know how much this thing with Dominic has effected you personally and am concerned that part of the agenda within this is a personal one. I certainly can understand why this bothered you as much as it did, as it bothers me quite a bit to know that our leader has been treated so unfairly by this man, however, regarding our organization as a whole, one of the things that I have been told time and time again by you, is the fact that we are independant of any outside forces and therefore, can shape our organization as we see fit. It seems as though if we operate under Carnalismo this will change and I believe that only those who live in New Mexico know what is best for New Mexico and would hate to have an outside force in charge of what we do and how we go about doing it. Therefore, although I would not mind an affiliation with Carnalismo I would like to see it remain as such and not be under their jurisdiction. Regarding your exiting from Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, I will say this realizing that change is difficult for everyone and sometimes change that seems bad ends up being good, however, I began my quest in this organization with you as the leader and, I would like to know that you will remain as our leader for some time to come. I think that Victor is a good man, however I do not know him well enough with regard to his activity in the organization nor have I seen him spearhead anything specific, and view him as more of a follower. Perhaps I am wrong in this, as he has done as he was told to do by you regarding acting as your shadow, however, due to this, I have not had the opportunity to see him as a leader.. I do sincerely believe that he is a very kind and good man, however, I am not sure about his ability to balance out all that is involved in being a leader. Another thing that concerns me is that you have always stated that this is not a dictatorship and that we all have a voice, however, all of these decisions have been made without any communication amongst the ministers. I have heard through

the grape vine that this is due to the fact that you believed that Rickie and I wanted our personal time. Even if this were true, communication via email was always possible. Victor was given time off, as was the right thing to do, and still kept in the loop, obviously, therefore we should have been as well. Regarding Jose, I believe that his involvement has been outstanding, however, I do not feel that being a minister of discipline is a decision that should have been made without consultation either. Also, I was always told that all ministers were equal, however, it seems that Jose is under the impression that he would be over the rest of the ministers. I believe that Jose certainly deserves a minister slot, I know that you know I believe that his performance, and outreach, as well as ideas are great, as is his drive, however, this decision was made by one, and not by the organization. I feel that this is not how I was told our organization operated. I must be honest about my feelings, although I have recently learned that this may not be received well, I do feel that some of these decisions may have been influenced by your frustration with Rickie and I. Perhaps you don't realize this, but I know that there has been negative talk about me both past and present within the organization as people like to talk and much of it has been leaked, this further makes me believe that perhaps your frustration with me both past and present. I have always had tremendous confidence and trust in you, and continue to, however, I do know that you, as many of us do, tend to cater to the person that you have in front of you and frankly although it is a talent, it can cause a division within the ranks. I hope that you do not take this as a negative Juanito, as like I said to you, recently via Myspace, this organization has become more than just a "club" for me and my honesty and opinion comes from a place of love for you and Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. I also hope that you understand that I think Victor is wonderful, but he does not have the experience, nor the talents that you have, or if he does, I have not seen it. I sincerely hope that this is not received negatively, as I do not mean it to be. I am speaking from my heart and soul as I believe that I owe you, that and much more. Thank you for the precious lessons that you have taught me, and for the opportunities that you have afforded me.  
Siempre con Carino,  
" \_ \_ \_ \_ "

**Juanito's Response to Female Minister:  
Saturday, October 10, 2009 12:03 AM**

Female Minister,  
I would have gotten back to you a little sooner But, I was unavoidably detained on other Ministerial work that started a little rocky, But what seemed to turn out in a very good outcome. But I am also saying and I don't see how everyone only saw the what would have or could have happened depending on the vote that I had asked for. I thought it was very clear that I said I wanted a vote of the group before anything was to happen. I was given the opportunity to be in the jale I was supposed to be rightfully doing. And basically was pushed out by lies and to this day, unproven accusations. But, the main reason I wanted that vote, which I can not see how people couldn't see that written, The vote would have either made other changes or a NO vote from the group would have simply

made no changes what so ever. Gregorio says no way no how. I vote "no" I would appreciate hearing from The Minister of Intelligence herself once in a while, Other than a typed out Message, I have also said I want what is best for Nuevo Mexico, if that is to stay working as the Prime Minister I will gladly continue working on the State level, As for you and Ricky, these possible changes had nothing to do w/ you two. I thought we took care of that one. I never knew the whole group didn't know that Victor was to take my place if I was to go to a different Position or Die or Retire etc. I had told the whole group that. If the Group votes "NO" then we will just work as we have been, again I need to hear a little more often from my Minister of Intelligence. Your vote is very Important to me as is the rest of Our Ministers.  
*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*



## Blow up, over BIG sweeping decisions

### Defense Minister's Initial Response to Juanito:

Friday, October 9, 2009, 3:20 PM

for me on my behalf i dont want anything to do with carnalismo, I'm happy were i am at and as for you i wish you well with the the Carnalismo. The New Mexico Browns Berets will miss you as for victor there is no way we can contact or stay in touch with him as for him being prime minister but i do wish him well in his new position...

### Juanito's Response to Defense Minister:

Fri, 9 Oct 2009 17:46:42

Since Ricky spoke to you before me and told only part of the story, And you don't want to hear me and the whole story you should know some things that I know he didn't tell you. Call me when you can and I'll tell you the whole story not a small part. He has his thoughts completly clouded with Isa and is not thinking right. He is too busy SNIVELING to look at the whole Picture. I didn't say I was going, I said I wanted the Group to vote if we go Carnalismo, I never said we were, I said I wanted everyone to vote on that and have a say, and for Ricky to Talk that way to me he can FUCK HIMSELF.

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.*

*Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

### Defense Minister's Follow-up Response to Juanito:

Friday, October 9, 2009 8:02 PM

i don't have a phone to contact any one so i havent spoke to ricky or you in about a week my phones been shut off since monday n i dont know when i will get them back on i have had my utilities shut off since then also. from what i read of the letter u sent me it looks as if you are leaving new mexico for carnalismo n leaving victor in charge for me i dont want ene thing to do with carnalismo from what i seen in the past with what they said so i see in no use of joining carnalismo or wearing there patch from the letter it says u r going to resign from new mexico n join carnalismo i am using my friends computer to read my e-mails n from the letter it didnt say ene thing about a vote but if it is a vote i vote no to Carnalismo...

### Sunday Morning, Oct.11.2009, Juanito Resignation Letter:

Sunday, October 11, 2009 12:33 PM

To all Ministers,

As Per the Damage I have caused Our Group and my Finandial Delema, This may Come t a surprise or a reat Joy to the Group, But as Per what The Minister of Public Relations Ricky Gonzales has pointed out which is very true, If a Person has no accesability They can not be a Prime Minister, I will have to lead by that example They are going to shut off my phone and Internet as of Tommorrow I was told , So in all fainness to the group I need to follow doctorine as all members do, So I am Resigning from the Group and I will then take al the extra stress I put on the group I am truly sorry , I will miss everyne, and good luck Ricky, I know you will do a great job. No I'm not going National I'n Cutting my losses, I never wanted to hurt the group, Only build it, and I must has Screwed up somewhere.,

ood Luck to Lo Brown berts de Nuevo Mexico,

Much Love and Respect,

*Former Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.*

*Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

### Female Minister's Response to Resignation Letter:

Sunday, October 11, 2009 1:48 PM

Our caring loyal Ministers,

Recently Juanito Burns, Prime Minister has sent out an email resigning from his position. After discussing this with Juanito, Gregorio Rubio, Minister of Defense, Rickie Gonzales, Minister of Pulic Relations and Jose Miranda, Minister of Culture. It has been voted on and this resignation will not be accepted. Juanito Burns will remain in the position of Prime Minister.

Juanito has stated that he cannot contact us due to financial constraints. We are a family and we need to come together as we would for any other family, member. One of our own is in need and we will come together, by any means necessary to help out our leader.

" \_ \_ \_ \_ "

After Burns' flagrant disregard for the opinions of his members, and seeing that his Ministers had some divergent views on his decisions, he chose to resign. It was his female Minister, my girlfriend (in our personal life) and the very

person whom he'd isolated and sexually harassed who took it upon herself to ask him not to resign, and to take a vote to retain him in Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. One of the "YES" votes was mine.



The following is an email exchange that went on between, Prime Minister Burns, Public Relations Minister Gonzales, and the former female Minister of Intelligence. It may be confusing, but should illustrate how conniving and backstabbing Burns was to go behind Gonzales' back, and slander him to his beloved companion, (she, at the time was also a Minister). Never once had Burns or any other member voiced any concerns to Gonzales, and to this day, when he talks to active members, they insist that there wasn't a problem, and they would NOT have voted him out. It was Burns who covertly fabricated a problem regarding Gonzales - keeping him unaware, to later attempt to humiliate Gonzales at a meeting,

and banish him from Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. Burns had been orchestrating this scheme during and after Gonzales assisted in drafting a Press Release. Gonzales also contributed digital illustrations of the official uniforms of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico - to later be used in a Field Manual. Gonzales had also been working on Policy, Procedural, and Administrative duties, to also be included in the Field Manual. This document had never been completed before the resignation of previous Minister, Jerome Gallegos. Public Relations Minister Gonzales had been working all of these obligations, while Prime Minister Burns had been denigrating him behind his back, and fabricating stories.

**From:** Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Fri, 8 Jan 2010 20:10:58 -0800 (PST)  
**To:** Ricky Gonzales<vigoro09@yahoo.com>; "I.M."<.....@yahoo.com>; "G.R."<....@hotmail.com>; "J M."<...@comcast.net>; "R.A."<....@comcast.net>  
**Subject:** MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

To all Ministers ,  
 We are having a Ministers meeting at 11:00 am this Sunday call Jose 505-620-6470 for Directions,  
 This is Mandatory and very Important.

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
 Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

## Minister of Intelligence Response

**From:** I.M. <-----@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10  
**To:** "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Saturday, January 9, 2010, 10:32 AM

Hey Jefe, sorry I didn't get back to you sooner, I was packing!!!! OMG Rickie suprised me with a trip to phoenix to see grandpa JG, his grandpa, whom I love and my cousins!!! I'm so excited. Were gonna go shopping!! Nothing like shopping in Phoenix! love it!!!!

Sorry we couldn't make the meeting, kinda different to have one called so fast. You guys have fun k? Don't worry we will be safe and have fun! I promise!!!

Con carino

**From:** Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Sat, 9 Jan 2010 09:54:18 -0800 (PST)  
**To:** <isabella@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

I'm calling a meeting on certain subjects I know your aware of and Your opinion is very important but, this is the first chance to get down there to deal with matters that should have been dealt w/ a long time ago. Quiero saber asi estoy hablando con Isa o el Ricky??

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
 Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

**From:** Isabella Meraz <isabella@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10  
**To:** "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Saturday, January 9, 2010, 10:55 AM

Isa, te lo juro! Estoy sola en el bano, lol TMI! Lol

**From:** Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Sat, 9 Jan 2010 09:58:48 -0800 (PST)  
**To:** <isabella@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

*Quiero Saber asi tu intiendes muy bien esta situacion.  
 Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
 Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

**From:** Isabella Meraz <isabella@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10  
**To:** "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Saturday, January 9, 2010, 11:00 AM

*Aqual situacion? De las cosas que vas a hablar?*

## Minister of Public Relations Response

**From:** vigoro09@yahoo.com <vigoro09@yahoo.com>  
**Subject:** Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10  
**To:** "BB Juanito Burns, Jr." <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**Date:** Friday, January 8, 2010, 11:14 PM

I'm sorry we didn't know about this meeting sooner. I surprised Isabella with tickets to Arizona to visit family. Would it be possible to email an agenda, minutes, or what this meeting is about so we can be aware of things?

**Re:** MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10  
**Saturday,** January 9, 2010 10:14 AM  
**From:** "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
**To:** vigoro09@yahoo.com

*You guy's will get an update on the meeting.  
 Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
 Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*



## Mandatory Meeting

The following is the exchange that occurred between the female, former Minister of Intelligence, as she gathered information from Jon Burns concerning the mandatory meeting, and concerning membership of both Ministers. The details of this meeting were a surprise to both Minister Gonzales and she, as no initiatives, nor agendas were disclosed regarding the details of the meeting, and neither one of them had been contacted/confronted regarding poor performance as Brown Berets under Jon Burns. It should be observed below, that Burns told Gonzales NOTHING about his concerns, and instead kept isolated information from Gonzales,

who was unaware of Burns' intentions.

The female Minister ensured a good rapport, in order to gather more information regarding the short notice meeting, and it was upon these discoveries she submitted her resignation, the evening of December 31, 2009.

Upon reflection of the distrust, secrecy, conniving and slander, Minister Gonzales resigned - refusing to be stripped of being a Brown Beret, he launched a new initiative.

He paid dearly for this decision, as a flurry of threats, character assassinations, and harassment on the part of Burns ensued:

From: Isabella Meraz <isabella@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

To: "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

Date: Saturday, January 9, 2010, 11:03 AM

Deberas estamos en Phoenix Jefe, estoy contenta con eso. Me estas diciendo que si no voy a la junta que no soy boina ya? Hay no jefe, por favor eso no

From: Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 9 Jan 2010 10:09:05 -0800 (PST)

To: <isabella@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

we will vote to remove him for not letting you be a person much less a Beret, and for you to be on suspension until we you and me figure this out, You do not deserve all the CRAP you are being put through. You Suspension is not a Punishment but, a chance for you to come back in full swing w/o all the added stress that you don't need.

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

From: Isabella Meraz <isabella@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

To: "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

Date: Saturday, January 9, 2010, 11:11 AM

Que?!?!?! I had no idea!!!! . El me va a decir que el me me dice que no puedo hacer algunas cosas no mas pelea con migo cuando los hago.

From: Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 9 Jan 2010 10:17:45 -0800 (PST)

To: <isabella@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

I'm getting a lot of others complaining about the problem, not just me, we all love and care for you so much, but, we are not seeing or hearing much at all from you and we are constantly worrying about you. You are our Minister of Intelligence, we need to hear more and see more of you. Has Ricky ever put out that press release, I don't think so, I had another project for him but he probably wouldn't get to it for who knows how long.

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

From: Isabella Meraz <isabella@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

To: "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

Date: Saturday, January 9, 2010, 11:20 AM

Si lo hice hablo con el. Esto va hacer que las cosa son peores. Ustedes eran mi familia y na han hablado con el de esto del todo. En lugar de ayudarlo, ustedes los van a echar del organizacion? No entiendo eso. Me van a dejar sola y en un situacion mal.

From: Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

Date: Sat, 9 Jan 2010 10:26:02 -0800 (PST)

To: <isabella@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: MINISTERS MANDARORY MEETING 1/10/10

I told you you would never have to choose between us and him. But, this is getting so fucking ridiculous, This not the way grown-ups are supposed to be. Is he that much of a child and afraid of what we are becoming, Or is he too loving to the Gabachos?

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*



Upon the discovery of what Burns' intent was; to oust Minister Gonzales - the Minister of Intelligence submitted a resignation letter via email. Minister Gonzales, after much reflection all that night, submitted his resignation letter, which he admits wasn't polite. He felt betrayed, and expressed his discontent over that betrayal in his resignation letter. The resignation letter was not well received, and when as a leader Burns decided to cast insults instead of be more magnanimous, a nasty email exchange occurred. Gonzales felt transpar-

ency was vital, so he forwarded all responses to ALL members of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. One individual, Ralph Arellanes of LULAC had been portrayed by Burns to other members as "Minister of Civil Rights," and told us he had sworn him in, so Ralph was afforded the same transparency as others.. It was later discovered that Mr. Arellanes was never a member of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. The following is the initial email exchange:

Gonzales	=	
Burns	=	

**Date: Sunday, January 10, 2010, 4:08 AM**

**T**his is my "resignation" as Minister of Public Relations for Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. First of all, how dare you, Juanito think you can intervene on my relationship with former Minister Meraz-Gamboa. How dare talk about me, saying that I'm "too loving of the gabachos..." or that I'm "too much of a child and afraid of what we are becoming..." After all I have done for both you and this organization. I have sweated and worked to help legitimize our split into autonomy and you know it. The "newer" ones don't.

Just because you're hurt that Isa and I don't feel like placating you and your blubbering bag-of-wind phone rants. They get really old, really quick, Trust me on this one, I'm NOT the only one who feels this.

Saying, "we will vote to remove him..." etc. Now I know why you were too cowardly to disclose what the meeting would be about, or even provide ample notice. And I don't blame you for being too afraid to tell me yourself - email or otherwise.

The whole premise of your meeting simply proves how conniving, backstabbing, and dishonest you are. I well attest to what it feels like to have someone tell you you're like family and that they love and care about you, only to talk badly and disseminate rumors behind your back. That's very sophomoric and "childish" of you, Jon - and not friend-like in the slightest.

It's also very clear that you have a rotating, revolving door of people you choose to be your favorites, and when they fall short or your every beckoned call you villify and talk badly about them.

So you've got to cry to other members because Isa and I weren't giving you the attention you're so needy for. Boo hoo. I hope this bolsters your fragile ego, cause you don't have a whole lot else going for you.

Now, I'm very much aware that you'll probably continue to be squawking about me, villifying me to other members, and attempting to slander me on the internet, cause "e-banging" is what you do. But realize that I am unscathed in this pettiness, and that you've proven exactly what kind of a friend and leader (term used loosely) you really are.

I want you Burns, to keep a few things in mind when you read this; I am DONE with being involved with you by ANY means. And two, I have already notified my attorney, and will be filing a restraining order against you for my family. This includes Meraz-Gamboa. Now, I'm sure you will squawk over that second one, but it involves you continually talking about paying people visits and "taking care" of them - and going so far as to say you'll murder them. Now, I'm fearless over this, but the truth is I want you out and away from my personal and family life. Thirdly, I'm leaving your "gang," but bear in mind that I won't go quietly...

-R-



# Resignation Letter - Burns Responds

What you will read below is what kicked off an email exchange Gonzales was not proud of. Since he was no longer a member of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, and since Burns had denigrated

Gonzales while he was a member, Gonzales felt it imperative to stand up for himself, as that is congruent with his values - especially when insults and harrassment have been brought into the fold...

--- On Sun, 1/10/10, Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: Juanito Burns <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
Subject: Re: You can't fire me, cause I quit...  
To: "Rick Gonzales" <vigoro09@yahoo.com>  
Cc: "Isa Meraz" <isabella@yahoo.com>, "GR" <casualdreamsc.505@hotmail.com>, "JM" <josealburq@comcast.net>, "RobtG" <chicano\_passions@gmail.com>  
Date: Sunday, January 10, 2010, 7:36 AM

What do you mean "How dare you" are you the "Princess or the "QUEEN" of England. Don't be in a hurry Pointing fingers when you have done so many "unmanly" things YOURSELF. What are you gonna tell your Lawyer, That you called the Cops on a Married Man's Wife for Beating you up, 911 Oh Help me, Juan's wife is gonna beat me up!!!!!!!, Or Call MOM-

MY, HELP Me SHE IS GONNA BEAT ME AGAIN... I'm a Scared!!!!  
Ahhhhhhhh!!What a True Man you are, The only reason We were gonna "GO AFTER YOU WAS BECAUSE OF THE WAY YOU WERE TREATING ANOTHER MAN'S WIFE LIKE A PRISONER, THAT IS A CRIME CALLED "FALSE IMPRISONMENT". WE ARE NOT A GANG, WE JUST STAND UP FOR OUR GENTE NOT THE GENTE THAT YOU LOVE KISSING ASS TO, YOUR PRECIOUS GABACHO POLITICIANS THAT GET A KICK OUT OF FUCKING EVERY SPANISH OR MEXICAN THEY POSSIBLY CAN. I HOPE YOU'RE A "HAPPY-LIL JOTO-MALINCHE"  
BEST REGUARDS LIL PUTO OHHHHH LA LA !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

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To: "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>  
Date: Sunday, January 10, 2010, 12:35 PM

Such impressive language from a fat, bald wannabe scoutmaster. Not only am I shaking like a leaf, but whimpering and crying because some fat bastard loser who mooches off the very government he condemns and yells at his wife and kids, while buying a VFW hat before providing for his family doesn't like me.

Boo hoo! I have my whole, youthful like ahead of me, while the "grand poo ba" gets to whither and fall apart in front of everyone's very eyes! Too cowardly to defend himself, so he has to recruit "bodyguards" so he feels safe in his travels. Oh, I'm so jealous!

To criticize me, and accuse me of not being a man, because I wouldn't EVER hit a woman - especially when she's in the throes of PTSD underscores how little of a man you are.

And this, "we" you talk about, well I've talked to your remaining "minister(s)" myself. And those who have two brain cells to rub together recognize what a repugnant, cowardly manipulative dishonest little guy you truly are. Whether or not they arrive where I have is up to them.

Don't you EVER criticize my ethnicity. Ha ha! My ethnicity is being judged by a coward named Jon Burns, JR. Too afraid to go by his real, Anglo name. An outsider, from Oakland, who thinks he can lead a Brown Beret Organization exclusive to New Mexico, when he's not even from here - unlike me, born and raised in Albuquerque and New Mexico.

Even your own patch lacks originality, borrowing from the often exploited symbol of the Zia People, and the Raza bird. Both symbols that you didn't come up with, and don't belong to you. What gives a man who claims to be from Oakland the right to use a Zia pueblo symbol anyway? Your wrecklessness, and trampling over things that aren't yours just underscores what an immature, piss poor "leader" you are. It also shows what little respect

you have for indigenous people.

You may feel I don't deserve to wear a beret, but I know you don't deserve to claim New Mexico as your own.

You have the nerve to talk about being a man, when as a father of SEVERAL has the audacity to sexually harass female members and try to coax fellatio and other sex acts out of them. And you try to tell other berets that your Minister of Intelligence won't talk to you because of me? I never told her not to talk to you, I simply discouraged it when I learned what a manipulative wannabe predator you are. I WITNESSED WHEN YOU TRIED GETTING IN HER HEAD, AND RECOGNIZED YOUR PERSONALITY FROM A MILE AWAY.

Why don't you be a real man, and admit to everyone that maybe she didn't wanna hear your perverted voice because you are a sexual predator, who harasses women? You have said lewd sexual things about other female members, and the wives of members.

You stalk single Hispanic mothers on the internet and try to groom them to join the organization. You then try to paint yourself and the organization as their "family." You (like any manipulative cult leader) try to feed on people's inadequacies and then build their psyches and sense of security in you. You lie and manipulate, and now your all wounded because I was impervious to that.

If it gets you through the night, keep on parading like the foolish coward that you are. Continue building your sense of self-worth, and bolstering your ego by pinning cheap metals to people's hats, and doling out "promotions." One of these days, you just might have to look around you, your life and surroundings, and have a moment with what you've truly accomplished in your life.

Eventually, everyone will witness for themselves what you truly are. By the way, keep it up with the "ALL CAPS" typing...real mature. I can see you playing "hunt-and-peck" with your two primitive digits, a cigarette dangling out of your mouth. It makes me laugh.



Re: You can't fire me, cause I quit...

Sunday, January 10, 2010 11:46 PM

From: "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

To: "Rick Gonzales" <vigoro09@yahoo.com>

It's not my fault you think I'm a has been, But remember I have done things in my life to be proud of That you would be Terrified to even dream about. Your a never was and a never will be because of your fear, You Paranoid lil boy who still can't tie his own shoes and there are other things I could bring up, Even w/ my back all fucked up I could still beat you down like the cowardly Cock-Sucker you really are. What, are you gonna call your MOMMY on me too, you Tough gay I mean Guy.

Just fuck off lil Boy, or I will do what your Blameing me for!

P.S.

How does it feel knowing your just a past time to her until Juan comes home????

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

Hi Joto

Sunday, January 10, 2010 11:53 PM

From: "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

To: "Ricky Gonzales" <vigoro09@yahoo.com>

I may have an Anglo name, But I'm not confused I know I'm a Chicano and I don't question your Ethnicity, you show it freely Kissing those NALGAS I mean "Butt Cheeks" Just to make sure you Understand, you shouldn't have to ask Another Man's Wife Isa (JUAN's WIFE) not Yours to have to translate, Yes your right your not Ethnic Enough, now beat on your Chest Tarzan.....

*Prime Minister Juanito Burns Jr.  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico*

--- On Mon, 1/11/10, Rick Gonzales <vigoro09@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: Rick Gonzales <vigoro09@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Hi Joto

To: "Juanito Burns" <pelonjuanito@yahoo.com>

Date: Monday, January 11, 2010, 2:04 AM

Beat me down, huh? That's funny, Mister "I need to recruit young, impressionable men as bodyguards." You are a cancerous abcess to ANY cause! And that cancer is eating away at your "organization" from the inside out. You must have no clue, the things that are being said about you by some of your members, who are mostly writing you off as a loser. You might have your "loyal" ones that you keep in a bubble, but most will see through that eventually, from North to South and in between.

I wonder why you would call me a "joto," when you're the one who referred to my "butt cheeks" in yet a second email. I think it's quite apparent who the "joto" really is, and it really just underscores and proves your tendency to sexually harass people. You're mind is just as infantile as it is sick and detestable.

You have demonstrated on your own that you really don't give a sh\*t about the cause - or your gente, because you've proven you have NO respect for Raza. A TRUE leader would take the high road, no matter what a "subordinate" says. But you're so beneath that, Jon Burns. How low can scum

sink? I think that's being illustrated here. I know I would NEVER consider someone who takes the low road a leader of any sort, and anyone who does consider you one probably has some thinking to do.

How much better have you made your Raza's (member's) lives, Jon. Really? I for one, am glad to rid my life of someone as toxic and noxious as you. You have a lot more learning to do than I thought, but I couldn't care if you did or not. In fact....well, I'll take the "High Road" on this one. Use your twisted imagination - I'm sure you'll throw some sodomy in there, since you seem so obsessed with it.

Just remember, that everytime you look at, or display that banner, the one hanging in your house - you're gonna have to remember that I made AND designed that - and did so many other things.

You don't intimidate, nor scare me in the slightest. And I know you're just trying to dig at me by talking about my relationship with Meraz-Gamboa, since you've been so fixated on that for so many months, and tried to use it to paint me as a scapegoat. By the way, dolt, it's P-A-S-T-I-M-E, not "past time." Don't worry, I teach ALL lessons for free. That should be good for you, in light of your finances. Not that mine are any better, but you would NEVER be considerate of something like that when you demand something, would you? Thought so.

-R-





The resultant effect of the Resignation letter of Gonzales, along with the exchange between he and Burns resulted in some blowback, which involved implied death/assault threats and harassment from some of Burns' members.

This kind of harassment has been ongoing, as Burns has continued to slander Gonzales publicly, while taking measures privately to threaten his right to safety. The following is in semi-chronological order, displaying the kind of harassment Gonzales was and still is subjected to:

## Paul ("Pablo") Cordova



Bill Gates

4 views

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From	Comment
<input type="checkbox"/> Chief Field Comander(n...  Pablo Cordova	<b>February 12, 2010 8:23 AM</b> whats with you and all these pictures on your page of nazi you even dress like one for Haloween.and you called yourself a Berett what a <b>disgrace</b> you are to La Raza

Comment Back - Send Message - Block User - Delete

Delete Selected

The following is a series of correspondence from Paul ("Pablo") Cordova, Burn's "Chief Field Commander del Norte." Though Gonzales had never met him, it was obvious that after his resignation, Burns had coached him to harass Gonzales on his Myspace page for the Brown Beret League of NM.

Paul left a photo comment on a photo Gonzales has, calling him a Nazi. What he didn't realize is that the photo depicts Bill Gates, CEO of Microsoft as a Nazi because that company has a monopoly on the computer market.

Since he was no longer a member of Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, and didn't know this stranger, who was insulting him, Gonzales felt that he owed Paul NO cordiality. Later on in their dialogue, Gonzales decided to take the "high road," and explain his situation. That was when Jon Burns, sent Gonzales a message through Paul Cordova's account.



B.B.L....

1/12/2010 12:47 AM



Brown Berets  
Valencia County  
Online Now!

To: Chief Field Comander(nor...

*"whats with you and all these pictures on your page of nazi you even dress like one for Haloween.and you called yourself a Berett what a disgrace*

*you are to La Raza"*

First of all, that's Bill Gates, creator of the Microsoft System, Windows. This might be over your stupid little fuckin' head, but Microsoft has a monopoly on the computer industry - and he may as well be a Nazi. The picture, is making fun of him, because a Nazi is about the worst thing you can call a Nazi - kinda like Jon "juanito" is calling me one right now.

For Halloween, I was dressed as the "Death of Habeas Corpus." That's a legal term, Boffo, and I dont feel like explaining myself to morons.

I was in and did waaay more for this organization than you ever have or ever will. I made that very fuckin banner hanging in Juanito's house. I have also:

-created vinyl banners and decals for the organization. Formatted artwork (logos, etc) digitally for suitable print production.

-Assisted Jon (juanito) by converting documents he couldn't open on his PC into a readable format for him.

-initiated the idea of breaking up NM in counties, labeling and branding them as such.

-Created "Media Packets," burned CDs. handed out to all new recruits containing official paperwork and artwork to print and utilize - both on the internet and elsewhere. These included flyers, postcards, codes-of-conduct, mission statement, contact info, rank diagrams, pictures, logos, etc.

-Initiated the attendance of the Annual Cesar CHavez Rally, at the Hispanic Cultural center, being the only attendee who provided banners, leaflets, literature, and voter registration material for our table. Otherwise we would have had nothing at our table.

-Attended out-of-town affairs, such as the Espanola event, when the only other attending Minister was Jerome Gallegos and Juanito Burns. Helped ensure we had established a presence for Burns when he spoke on the panel at this event.

-After getting my vehicle out of impound, still attended a Father's Day Car show," again being the only one to bring flyers, banners, media packets to new members, etc.

-Spearheaded the idea of breaking up Albuquerque into "districts," in an attempt to eventually make it more manageable. Created a map, highlighting these districts.

-Attending, planned and helped conduct meetings at which the Prime Minister couldn't be present. Tried to facilitate for other members in conducting their meetings.

-Printed the Oath, so Juanito could swear in Jose Miranda, when he forgot to bring it with him upon driving from Taos to Albuquerque to meet up with and swear in Jose.

After work, I then pulled over the side of Hwy 47 so that I could read the oath to Burns, so that he could repeat it and swear in Miranda.

-Overall branding of the organization, helping a ensure a presence we didn't yet have, going so far as using HTML coding on respective "myspace" sites to customize our profiles, to help further legitimize a professional look to our sites.

-Assisted other upper echelon members in creating myspace pages, when they

Chief ...

1/12/2010 1:27 AM



Pablo Cordova  
Online Now!

To: B.B.L. - New Mexico

well congrats but i asked a question and if you ever fuckin insult me again or call ma names well you dont know who i am or what i am capable of i aint no lil punk like u better hope that bulldog mouth of yours can back up that puppy dog ass of yours.if you have the nuts and your old lady didnt take them come see me we will se how bad u realy r im not one to be toyd with homie oh and so what u can user a compuet to designn stuff wow draw up somethin like a real artist BITCH

\$9



B.B.L... 1/12/2010 1:42 AM

**To:** Chief Field Comander(nor...

*"bulldog mouth of yours can back up that puppy dog ass"*

LOL. Yeah, I like Reservoir Dogs too good movie. As far as the other shit goes, I have a lot better shit to do than "e-banging," and getting into petty Myspace fights with petty people.

Before I went to school, I didn't even know how to turn a computer on, but I had the drive to learn, and take my already existent drawing skills to the next level...an educated Chicano MUCH better serves Raza and gives them a real skill set they can use later in life, to make their lives better, so don't condemn me for that. Or do, I really don't give a fuck. If I'm ever in Taos, I'll look you up.

If Raza keeps fighting each other like this, we will never get ahead. THINK about the cause, and what it really means...by the way, my old lady does have my nuts - in her mouth!

RE: <No Subject> Previous | Next

Reply Forward Move Delete Junk Print

Chief ... 1/12/2010 1:50 AM

**To:** B.B.L. - New Mexico

your right homie e-bangin is stupid so ill be waitin 4 u here or when im in Albuquerque ill look u up i lived there so i know my way around city and certain people good luck man im not hatin on your skills but i asked a question in beginin and u came at me like u feelin 2 do somethin dont start shit u cant finish

Pablo Cordova Online Now!

Activity Stream

Chief Field...

You are not friends with this person. Add them to see updates here

Add to Friends

**Note:** this is Cordova's Myspace page. Though he totally disavows any gang promoting on his Myspace page, he makes little effort to debunk people's assumptions - putting "Califas Norte" graphics all over his page.



Gonzales tried to "take the high road," and be a little more diplomatic with this "Pablo Cordova." Being that they had never met one-another (Burns hadn't told Gonzales about this new member, nor his promotion) Gonzales hoped that Paul "Pablo" Cordova would be able to discern truth from lie, come to his senses, and think for himself...that proved an empty hope... as seen on the next page:

The screenshot shows a Myspace email interface. The top navigation bar includes "Myspace.", a search bar, and links for "People", "Search", "Mail (584)", "Profile", "Friends", "Music", "Video", "Games", "More", "My Account", and "Sign Out". A notification banner says "New! Setup your own @myspace.com email address".

The email content is as follows:

**RE: <No Subject>** Previous | Next

Buttons: Reply, Forward, Delete, Print

1 Read: Chief Field Comander(nor...)

**B.B.L....** **1/12/2010 3:42 PM**

**To: Chief Field Comander(nor...)**

You're right too, bro. Sorry I came at you like that, but I been attacked real bad by juanita. I've never met you, you've never met me, so i have no grounds to say shit about that. All you know about me is what juanita's told you, and bro it ain't true. If I was such a piece of shit I wouldn't have done a 10th of the shit I've done for the organization.

This is just two men fighting over a woman. she had told me about some things juanita said to and about her of a sexual nature, and that shit is wrong. After her and i were together, i took a different stance. What man wouldn't defend his girl? i NEVER kept her from anything or from talking to anyone, but bro, if some guy said some shit about your girl, before you were with her, and after how would you feel? Probably how I did; pissed off. I never once told her "don't talk to any of the berets," but I did let her know that his constant attempts at getting ahold of her were pissing me off - especially when I was the one who witness the PTSD, and it's no cakewalk.

I don't know any REAL man who would sit there with a smile on his face while some dude who said some shit about her is wanting to talk to her all the damn time, when she's suffering from PTSD over the sexual shit he said. he never even apologized, but he did admit to it to me, and said it would never happen again a while back, but then he started fabricating shit about me. Bad shit! That's all I gotta say I wanted to take the high road on this one, and realize, "hell, I don't know this guy, and he don't know me so why talk shit?"

All it would do is make juanita happy that one of his newer member wants to fight with one of his ex members...not gonna give him that bro. Just ask yourself in 6 months or a year from now: "how has this thing made my life better? Has this thing made my life better?" I guarantee if you end up in the same boat, I would know the answer.

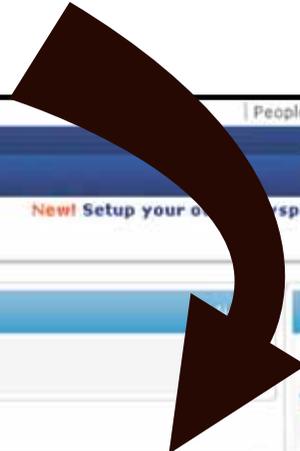
juanito was just pissed because he wanted her, and admitted he was in love with her, and he interpreted us bein together as him losing her...try to read through the lines, bro. i have actual details, accounts, and witnesses - and no reason to lie, especially now. I just don't want no members to go through that scenario again.

**Activity Stream**

- B.B.L. - New...
- No one, single person owns (or organization) the Brown Beret Brand. It is an "ideal," that should have a common ground.
- The serial bully: is emotionally immature and emotionally untrustworthy
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This is where it was discovered Burns himself decided to message Gonzales from Codova's myspace account - Burns is well-known for logging into and having the passwords of his members in Taos. Burns was also known for loggin in under his Wife's internet accounts, as well as his Daughter's - he often did this to decieve his members over who they were talking to. This causes a lot of distrust.



The screenshot shows a MySpace email interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for Home, Mail (584), Profile, Friends, Music, Video, Games, and More. Below this is a header with 'mail' and 'New! Setup your MySpace.com email address'. The main content area displays an email from Pablo Cordova to B.B.L. - New Mexico, dated 1/12/2010 6:43 PM. The email body contains a message in red text: "Your Wrong Rick, I don't want Isa, I just feel you let your relationship w/ Isa get in between the Berets, I DO NOT WANT her and you need to know other Brothers have the same worries about what came out. Do what you want and Believe what you will. My Anger towards you has nothing to do w/ me wanting her, I was pissed because I felt you hid her from everyone and you wanted to leave and force her to go w/ you. I guess we were both wrong and yes you pleased the hell out of me. You are very Talented at your work. Good Luck... Juanito". Below this email is another one from B.B.L. to Chief Field Comander, dated 1/12/2010 8:24 PM. The email body contains a message: "Whatever, Juanito. I figured you had access to his account too. Just as I shouldn't worry about Derek's situation, or yours - no one had any reason to worry about ours. No one asked or voiced their concerns about it, not even a polite email, had I not been able to (or didn't feel like) answering my phone. But oh well, that's what mis-communication and lack of transparency causes. As far as everything else goes, enough with the slander, I'm disengaging. We can hate eachother, and agree to disagree. I won't take back what I said, and won't expect you to either. Now we will turn the next page in our lives and you will leave us alone. And yes i do speak for both of us, with her consent. She tells me all the time that she wants nothing to do with you. -R-". The interface also includes a sidebar with 'Mail Center' and 'Inbox', and an 'Activity Stream' on the right.



It was shortly after launching a new, sovereign Brown Beret initiative for New Mexico that Gonzales began to receive the harassment, and public slander. Gonzales had over-hauled his Myspace page, which had been previously been an account he created and had access to. Gonzales wiped out everything on the site, and announced changes were coming soon.

Immediately, Jon ("Juanito") Burns began with his harassment - too insecure and insistent on ownership of the Brown Beret identity in New Mexico to let things be, he began a series of harassing measures.

This was a comment Burns left, after seeing some new artwork on Gonzales' Myspace site:

**Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico** has posted a comment on this photo:

Jan 11, 2010 11:49 PM

Not Gonna Happen..... Ricky.....

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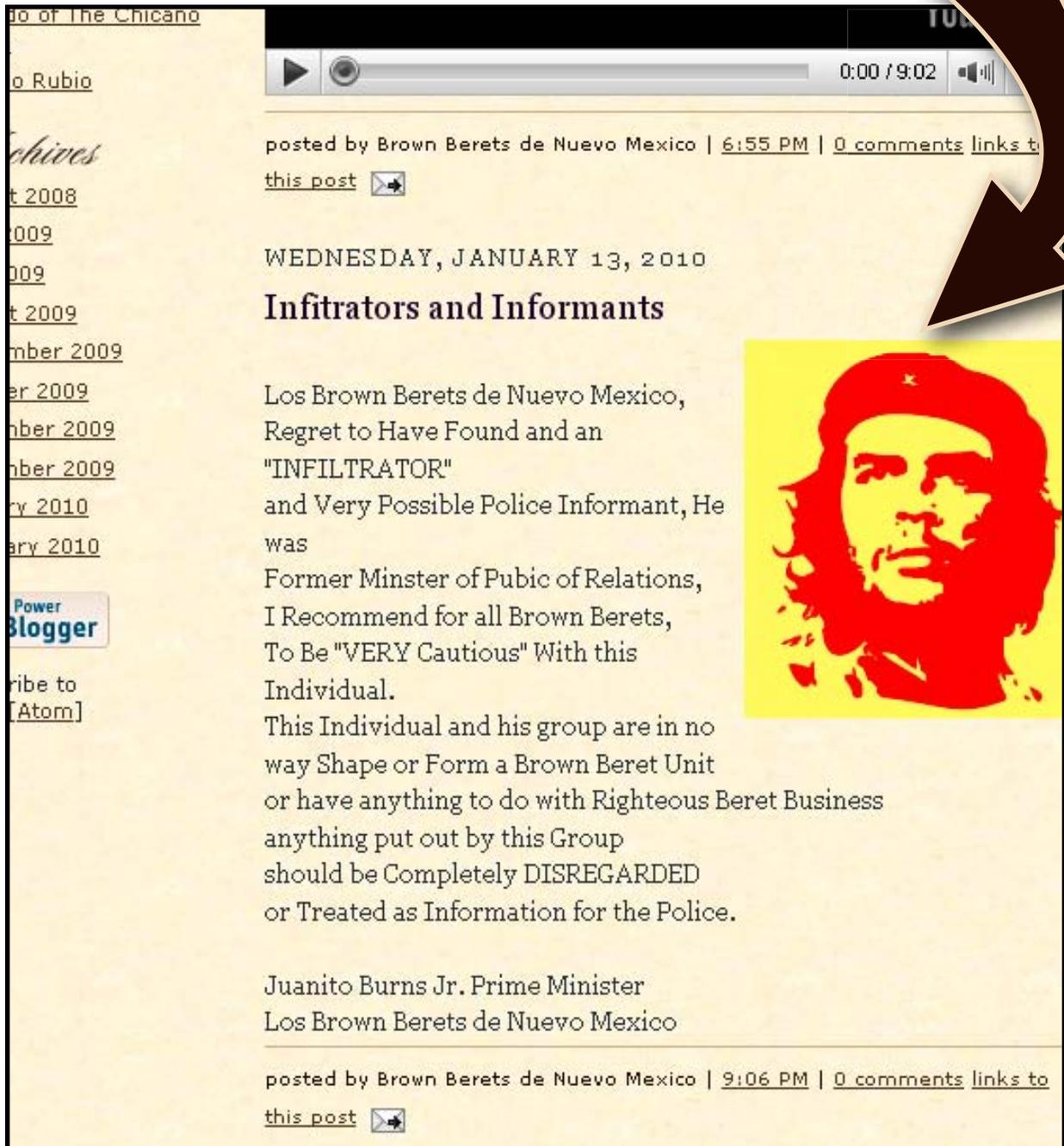
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Approve Deny Spam Show: Comment Approvals



The slander grew worse; into outright lies. This is an entry Burns put on his blogspot. Gonzales couldn't believe Burns would say this about him, especially in his transparency on his personal views toward law enforcement, and their treatment of Raza. No one has gone such lengths to slander or stain Gonzales' character - especially with excrementitious lies such as the one below. Gonzales continues to find more lies about him, some of which he knew of, many more still

being floated around, by Burns both internally to his members (the gullible ones) and externally to sabotage Gonzales' outreach work with other Chicano Movement Organizations. Burns likely realized that it was wrong to spread such slander so blatantly, and that his claims seen publicly would be dismissed as lies, so he later removed this entry. But since it's publication, it has been archived and accounted for:



o Rubio

0:00 / 9:02

posted by Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico | 6:55 PM | 0 comments [links to this post](#)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2010

## Infiltrators and Informants

Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico, Regret to Have Found and an "INFILTRATOR" and Very Possible Police Informant, He was Former Minster of Pubic of Relations, I Recommend for all Brown Berets, To Be "VERY Cautious" With this Individual. This Individual and his group are in no way Shape or Form a Brown Beret Unit or have anything to do with Righteous Beret Business anything put out by this Group should be Completely DISREGARDED or Treated as Information for the Police.

Juanito Burns Jr. Prime Minister  
Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico

posted by Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico | 9:06 PM | 0 comments [links to this post](#)



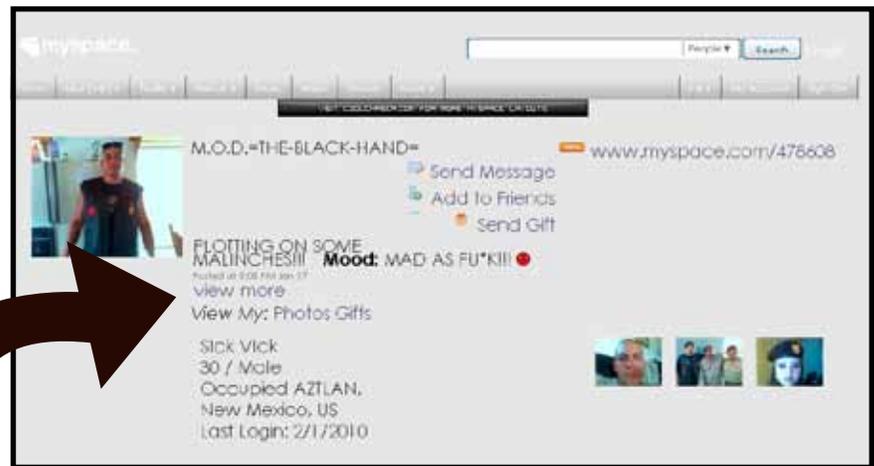
# Implied Threats

Even when the slander seemed confined to the background, Burns and his members, continued posting implied threats/insults on their pages; casually referring to “Malinches,” proclaiming “Malinches” were going to “pay the price,” and saying that they were “plotting” and “strategizing against “Malinches.” From Burns’ previous emails it’s obvious; they were referring to Gonzales.



To the left, one can see Burns’ threatening tongue-in-cheek updates on his Myspace site. This sort of thing, combined with his slander on other sites, and his word-of-mouth slander to other people/organizations, combined with very real discoveries of Burns’ plans to have Gonzales assaulted, are what has prompted Gonzales’ measures.

Victor Barala, Juanito’s own “Minister of Discipline/Assistant Prime Minister/Bodyguard;” Commonly referred to as “the Black Hand,” also has implied harassment & threats indicated on his page - along with unprofessional, inflammatory language: (please note Burns has the log-in permissions for Barala’s account as well)

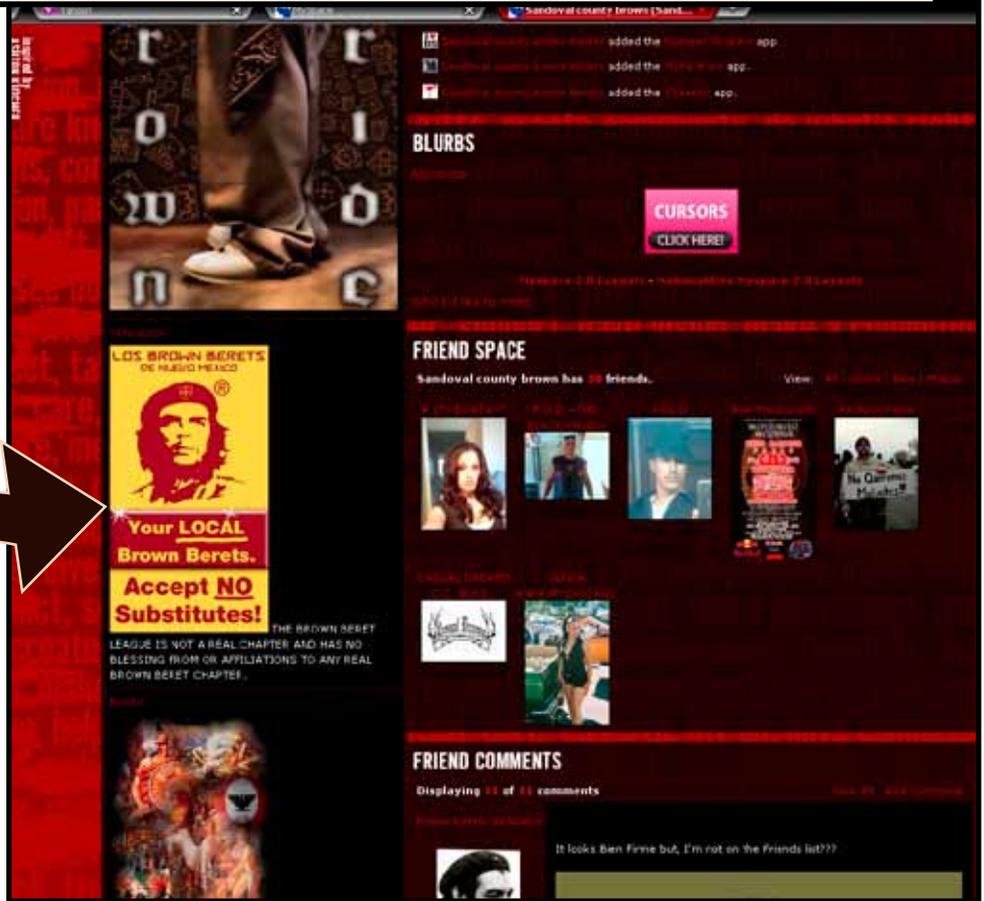


Well after his resignation, it was still evident that Burns had been coaching his members to bash/banish/slander Gonzales - even going so far as using artwork Gonzales had created for Burns' organization against him; all the internet/print graphics and materials were being audaciously used against him.

As was expected, Burns was quick to fill the void of his Minister ranks with others, and did so with Robert Garcia, former Field Commander of Sandoval County. Garcia had been a mostly itinerant member, seldom involved himself in much more than the occasional

phone call. Gonzales also had it on good authority that Garcia had in the past sent a female member an inappropriate photograph of his anatomy via his cell phone. Garcia's negligence proved his loyalty to Juanito, as he attempted to downplay Gonzales' ambitions using artwork against him.

Recent information gathered also revealed that Garcia yelled at his new "Deputy Minister," for NOT rounding-up non-Beret "homeboys" to "jump" Gonzales - as per Jon Burns' instruction. This information was discovered around March 4, 2010.



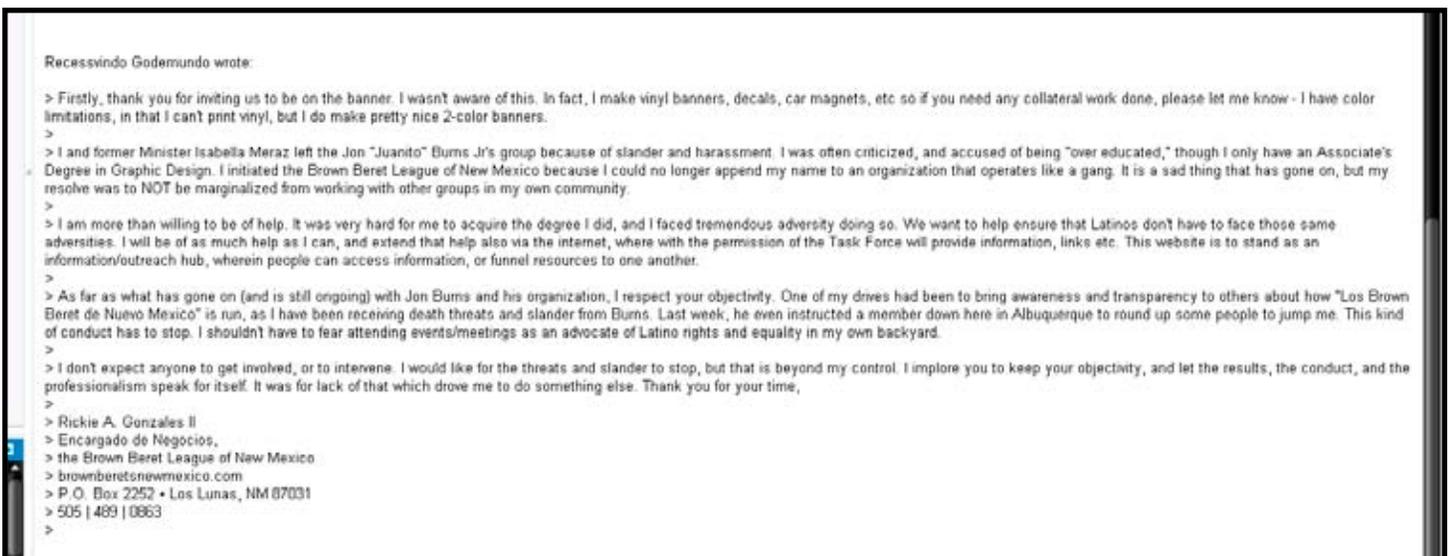
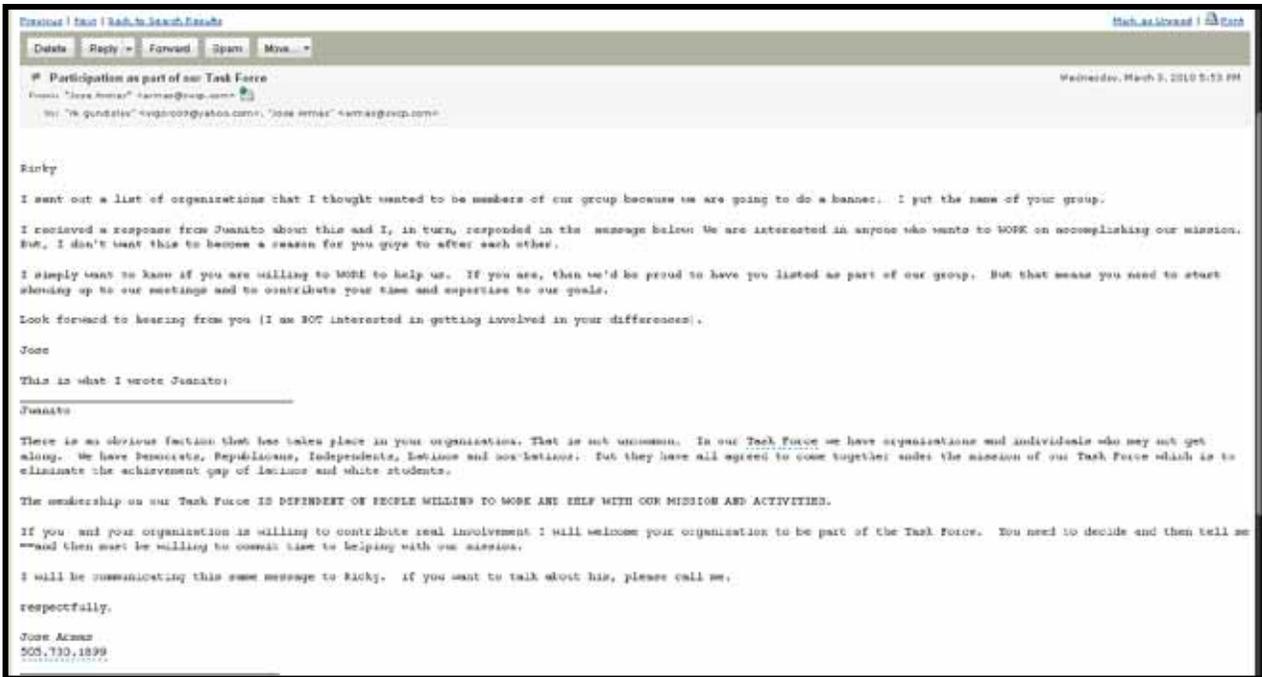
Artwork Gonzales created at Burns' insistence, to ease his paranoia surrounding the notion of Aztlan Brown Berets moving into New Mexico. This was one of many measures Gonzales took, to help with marketing "Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico."

Newly annointed "Minister of Security" Robert Garcia put this on his Myspace site, insulting Gonzales with his own artwork. Garcia has since removed it.



While Gonzales was learning of Burns instructing his members to assault him, he also learned that Burns had been talking out of the other side of his mouth, trying to sabotage his efforts to work with other local Chicano Movement organizations, like

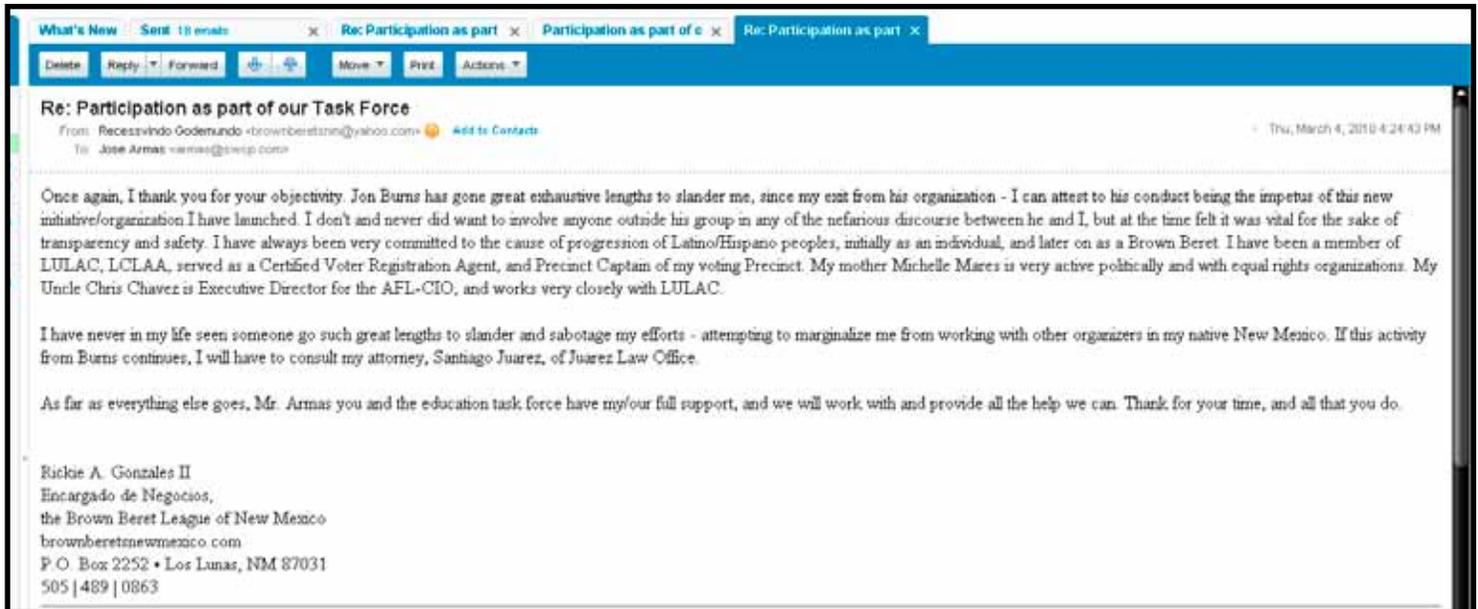
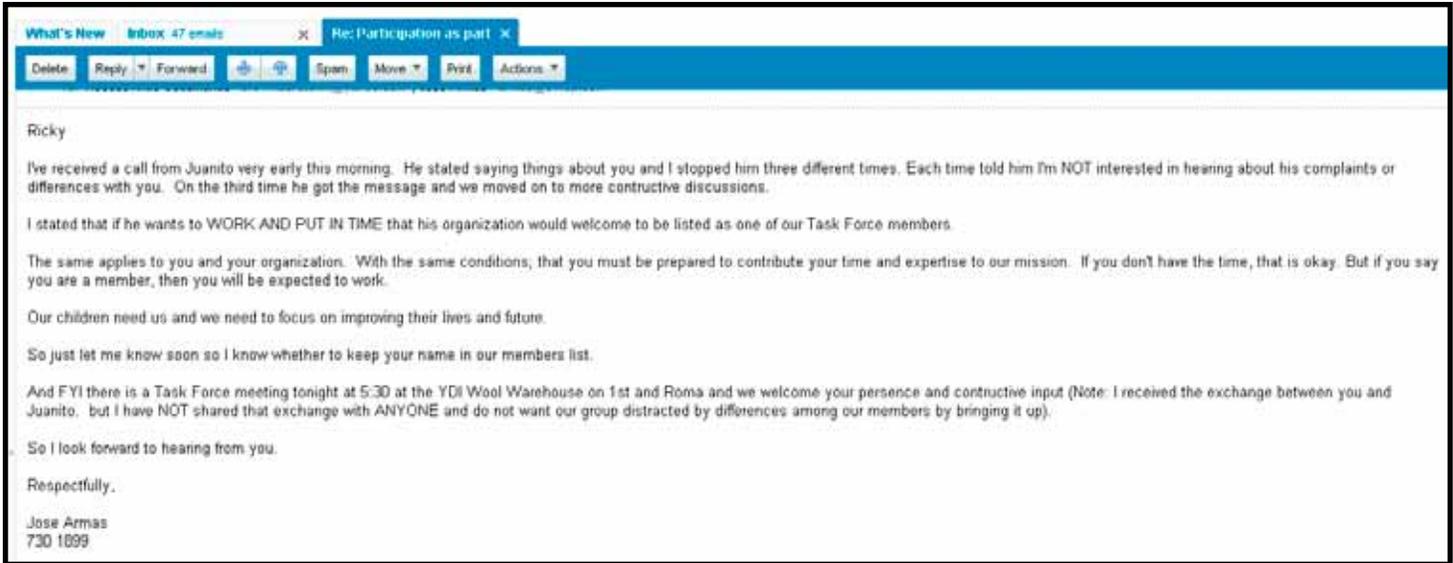
the Latino/Hispano Education Task Force, chaired by Jose Armas. Shortly after extending outreach to his group, Armas sent Gonzales an email on March 3, 2010 regarding Jon Burns:



# Efforts at Sabotage

Luckily, things smoothed over with Armas, and the Brown Beret League ended up being listed as an official affiliate with the Education Task Force. It's pretty apparent that Mr. Armas grew sick of hearing Burns' diatribes of "Gonzales bashing," since he, and we have "Real" work to do, that is much more crucial than rivalries, or sabotaging other people trying to make a positive difference.

It's been very clear that Burns will continue these types of tactics involving other organizations. As this report is being compiled, it is widely known that Burns is eyeing "Cesar Chavez Day," at the National Hispanic Cultural Center; an event that Gonzales had the previous year been instrumental in initiating for Burns.

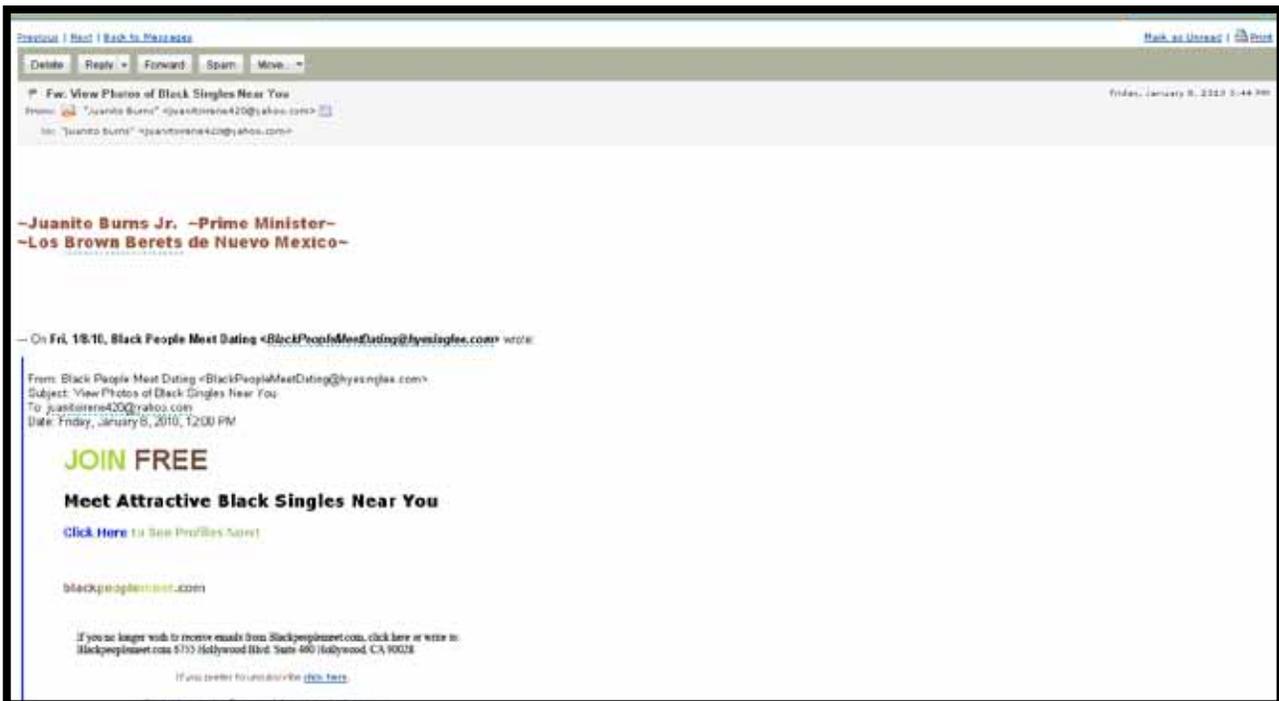


It is very unfortunate that this all we have to provide is this at the moment. What you'll see below is something Burns used to always forward to members for some mysterious reason that seemed funny only to him, and confusing to other members.

Burns would also send racist text messages, making fun of African American, etc. In phone conversations Burns frequently used the word N\*gger when referring to African

Americans, or the current President of the U.S. Burns would also leave offensive, inappropriate voice mails. The former Female Minister of Intelligence once played a voice mail for Gonzales in which Burns was singing, "nasty girl...nasty girl..."

Unfortunately, her network has since deleted the voice mail, before the audio could be archived.



# What do we know?

What do we truly know about Jon Burns? The only thing apparent was what he portrayed/tells other people. All Gonzales and many other members know/knew was that Burns said he was from Oakland, CA, served his mandatory enlistment term in the United States Army in Korea in the 80's, and that he's been a Brown Beret most of his life, and his dad was a prominent

Brown Beret in Oakland.

Burns also claimed to be a recovering Heroin addict, and to have ties to a very real, very hardcore street life. But his experience as a Corrections Officer, is probably the most pointedly explainable reason that Burns interacts so well with people of a criminal or "gang banger" element.

Profile found on internet at:  
<http://www.linkedin.com/in/pelonjuanito>

We know Burns has been married to Irene Branchal, of Taos New Mexico, and that he has lived there since for 15 or so years. Little else is truly verifiable. The following has been found on the internet, an apparent resume stridently proclaiming both Burns experience and aspirations toward being involved with Law Enforcement. Gonzales can attest to this back when Burns had been looking for work and used him as a reference. Burns had been applying for Security jobs. This is very ironic, since Burns would later lie about Gonzales and claim **HE** had ties to Law Enforcement.

**Juanito Burns Jr.**  
Warehousing  
Santa Fe, New Mexico Area

**Current** • Miner at Chevron Mining Inc.

**Past** • Detention Officer at Taos County Jail  
• DETENTION OFFICER at SAN JUAN COUNTY Jail  
• DETENTION OFFICER at SOUTHERN UTE DETENTION

**Education** • Federal Law Enforcement Training Academy  
• San Lorenzo Adult School

**Connections** 2 connections

**Industry** Warehousing

**Juanito Burns Jr.'s Summary**  
I have a Combination of 13 Years Related Experience in Security  
2 1/2 years U.S. ARMY  
5 years Security  
6 years in Corrections

**Juanito Burns Jr.'s Specialties:**  
Security and Corrections.  
Hard-Working and Dedicated.

**Juanito Burns Jr.'s Experience**

**Miner**  
**Chevron Mining Inc.**  
(Mining & Metals industry)  
February 2006 — Present (4 years 2 months)  
Load and Drive trains in the Haulage area. Dry the Finished Product with the Dryer.

**Detention Officer**  
**Taos County Jail**  
(Security and Investigations industry)  
April 2005 — February 2006 (11 months)  
Train in-experienced officers, book-in, transport and supervise Inmates, stop fights and restrain inmates, and sometimes council inmates.

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**DETENTION OFFICER**  
**SOUTHERN UTE DETENTION**

(Security and Investigations industry)  
January 2001 — August 2003 (2 years 8 months)

Train in-experienced officers, book-in, transport, supervise inmates, stop fights, restrain and counsel inmates.

**Communications/Detention Officer**  
**TAOS PUEBLO POLICE DEPT.**

(Security and Investigations industry)  
December 1999 — January 2001 (1 year 2 months)

Handle radio communications for police department, help police write reports, answer telephones, book-in, transport supervise inmates, stop fights, counsel and restrain inmates.

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**Juanito Burns Jr.'s Education**

**Federal Law Enforcement Training Academy**  
Certificate , Corrections , 2002 — 2002

Certified Officer

*Activities and Societies:* Federal Law Enforcement Training Center  
Basic Detention Officer.

**San Lorenzo Adult School**  
H.S. Diploma , General Studies , 1981 — 1984

Certifications in Corrections  
1) FLETC  
2) B.I.A.  
3) New Mexico Counties

*Activities and Societies:* La Raza Unida Club

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**Additional Information**

Juanito Burns Jr.'s Interests:  
Helping People, Equal Rights.

Juanito Burns Jr.'s Groups:  
2nd (Indian Head) Division Association  
Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Korean Defense Veterans Association



2nd (Indianhead) Division Association

Juanito Burns Jr.'s Honors:  
Post Chaplain for the V.F.W.  
TAOS,N.M.

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**Juanito Burns Jr.'s Contact Settings**

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- consulting offers
- new ventures
- job inquiries
- expertise requests
- reference requests
- getting back in touch

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# Works and efforts...

Gonzales volunteered a lot of time, skills and resources to Burns' organization - both after being sworn in under Carnalismo, and later helping with "Los Brown Berets de Nuevo Mexico. He worked both on the administrative and media end, as well as facilitating meetings, scheduling conference calls, swearing in members, officiating promotions (or at least attempting to get Burns to be a little more prudent), conducting internet-based investigations, and several other various tasks.

While Gonzales volunteered his efforts, and fully understood this, it is a great shame Burns showed no appreciation for it in the end. Gonzales could have very easily sat around, complacent and shiftless like many of Burns' other members, but he took his role VERY seriously, and felt a great sense of responsibility and obligation. It was his heart that guided his enthusiasm, and still is today.

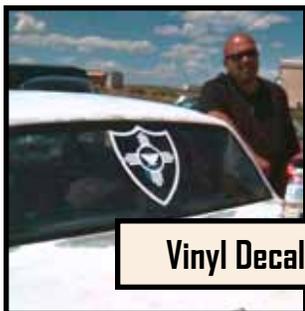


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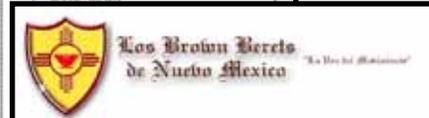
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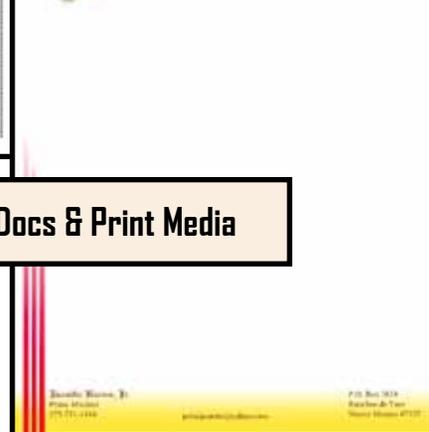
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Gonzales is Humbly offering much of these same services to other Beret organizations, who may need or use them, as an offering in good faith - and to show our honest intentions:

*"It pained me very much to have my previous efforts not only disregarded, but my very character slandered and threatened in the process. I would like to extend my abilities to those who deserve and appreciate them."*

-Rick Gonzales



It is a sad state, what has gone on under the leadership of Burns. Because New Mexico is a “Hispanic Majority” state, many of our Gente can’t readily identify their oppressors, and this explains their complacent attitudes toward oppression. This also explains why there has not been any huge Brown Beret presence in New Mexico - save for a few “Veterano’s” who have ventured into California, or a few Californian transplants, who have brought their influence here.

It is distinctly for those reasons that I took up so much concern over the issues; because the people of New Mexico won’t know better, and will identify the Brown Beret persona with whatever has been beset in front of them.

This is an important fact for so many reasons. Chiefly, if someone is running around recklessly in their leadership, misrepresenting Brown Berets they could corrupt the concept of what Brown Berets are in New Mexico. Secondly, because even IF the New Mexican people can identify the reckless, corrupt leadership, they will associate that will ALL Brown Berets, and that could ruin any chances for remaining in good standing. My resolve is to restore and defend our reputation in the state of New Mexico.

I realize the objective take on the issues being brought forth, and that outwardly it can be taken as a back-and-forth, personal problem. I want to take the time now to thank Prime Minister of Carnalismo Colorado, Dominic Mendez for hearing me out, as I have been trying to deal with such nuisances on my own. I implore anyone reading this to use a discerning mind, and to realize that I did NOT initiate this kind

of situation, and one of the reasons I chose to engage it, and lock horns with it was because I will always stand up, speak up, and defend myself by whatever means deemed necessary, and I wouldn’t expect anything less from ANY Brown Beret. It is that facet of our personalities that separates us from the public at large - that vigilance, and conviction in justice being sought is a trait we share as Brown Berets.

### Enactments to be taken

As far as measures to be taken, I for one am not attempting an all-out assault on someone’s character. I’m just trying to illuminate some facts, for the sake of Brown Berets everywhere.

I think in observance of those facts, at the very least certain sanctions should be imposed to ensure that these things never happen again.

The threats, harassment, intimidation, conspiring, conniving and obfuscation must stop. I hold a conviction that these things are incongruent with upholding anyone’s rights, and instead of silently walking away I decided to speak up, to shed light on the issues.

I have been paying the price for my tenacity ever since. I have nothing to gain from this. I’m not taking these actions in order to bolster my ego, or sense of self-fulfillment. It just means too damn much to me to let our cause be squandered at the hands of carelessness, someone with a disregard for ethics, professionalism, decency, and RIGHTS! Rights are what Brown Berets fight for.

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**Encargado de Negocios**  
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