



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHERN DIVISION

HOSEA WILLIAMS, ET AL. *
PLAINTIFFS, *
VS. *
HONORABLE GEORGE C. WALLACE, AS *
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA, *
ET AL. *
DEFENDANTS. *

CIVIL ACTION
NO. 2181-N

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PLAINTIFFS' PROPOSED PLAN FOR MARCH FROM
SELMA, ALABAMA TO MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

1. THE MARCH WILL COMMENCE ON FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 1965 AT 10:30 A.M. OR ANY DAY THEREAFTER PROVIDED THAT PLAINTIFFS WILL PROVIDE AT LEAST 48 HOURS ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE MARCH TO DEFENDANTS, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE COURT.
2. THE NUMBER OF PERSONS MARCHING WILL BE AS FOLLOWS;
 - A. THERE WILL BE NO LIMITATION ON THE NUMBER OF MARCHERS WITHIN THE CITIES OF SELMA AND MONTGOMERY AND ALONG THE 4-LANE PORTIONS OF ROUTE 80-EAST BETWEEN SELMA AND MONTGOMERY.
 - B. THE NUMBER OF MARCHERS WILL NOT EXCEED 300 PERSONS ON THE 2-LANE PORTION OF ROUTE 80.
3. THE FOLLOWING ARE THE APPROXIMATE DISTANCES TO BE COVERED EACH DAY:
 - A. FIRST DAY-MARCH APPROXIMATELY 11 MILES STOPPING AT A DESIGNATED PRIVATE FIELD WITH PERMISSION OF OWNER WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN GRANTED;
 - B. SECOND DAY-MARCH APPROXIMATELY 11 MILES STOPPING AT A DESIGNATED FIELD WITH PERMISSION OF THE OWNER WHICH ALREADY HAS BEEN GRANTED;
 - C. THIRD DAY-MARCH APPROXIMATELY 17 MILES STOPPING AT A DESIGNATED BUILDING AND ADJOINING FIELD WITH PERMISSION OF OWNERS WHICH HAS ALREADY BEEN GRANTED;
 - D. FOURTH DAY-MARCH 8 MILES TO THE WESTERN PART OF MONTGOMERY STOPPING AT AN AREA TENTATIVELY SELECTED AND TO BE DESIGNATED.
 - E. FIFTH DAY-MARCH FROM WESTERN PART OF MONTGOMERY TO THE CAPITOL.
 - F. LARGE TENTS WILL BE ERECTED AT THE CAMPSITES BY PROFESSIONALS. MEETINGS AND SONG FESTIVALS MAY BE HELD AT CAMPSITES.
4. ROUTE OF MARCH IN THE CITY OF SELMA: STARTING AT BROWN'S CHAPEL A.M.E. CHURCH ON SYLVAN STREET PROCEEDING SOUTH ON SYLVAN TO ALABAMA, THEN WEST ON ALABAMA TO BROAD (HIGHWAY 80-EAST), THEN SOUTH ON BOARD STREET ACROSS EDMUND PETTUS BRIDGE ALONG HIGHWAY 80-EAST TO MONTGOMERY. THE MARCH IN THE CITY WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE STREETS.

5. ROUTE IN THE CITY OF MONTGOMERY: MARCHERS WILL ENTER THE CITY FOLLOWING ROUTE 80 UNTIL IT BECOMES FAIRVIEW AVENUE AND CONTINUE ON FAIRVIEW TO OAK STREET TURNING NORTH ON OAK STREET TO JEFF DAVIS AVENUE; THEN EAST ON JEFF DAVIS TO HOLT STREET; THEN NORTH ON HOLT TO MOBILE STREET; THEN ON MOBILE TO MONTGOMERY; THEN NORTHEAST ON MONTGOMERY TO COURT SQUARE THEN UP DEXTER AVENUE TO CAPITOL. THE MARCH IN THE CITY WILL BE IN THE STREETS.

6. ON THE HIGHWAY, THE MARCHERS WILL PROCEED ON SHOULDERS OF THE ROAD WALKING ON THE LEFT SIDE FACING AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC. THEY WILL MARCH ALONG ROAD SHOULDERS TWO ABREAST AND EMPLOY SINGLE FILES AT PLACES WHERE THE SHOULDER IS NARROW AND ON BRIDGES WITHOUT SIDEWALKS. THE MARCHERS WILL BE ORGANIZED IN SEPARATE GROUPS OF APPROXIMATELY 50 PERSONS (OR LESS) AND EACH GROUP WILL BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A DESIGNATED GROUP LEADER.

7. THE FOLLOWING SUPPORTING SERVICES WILL BE PROVIDED:

- A. FOOD;
- B. TRUCK-BORNE WASHING AND TOILET FACILITIES;
- C. LITTER AND GARBAGE PICKUP BY TRUCK ALONG ROUTE AND AT CAMPSITES.
- D. AMBULANCE AND FIRST AID SERVICE;
- E. TRANSPORTATION FOR RETURN TO SELMA OF THOSE MARCHERS IN EXCESS OF THE 300 (OR FEWER) PERSONS WHO WILL CONTINUE ON THE MARCH AFTER THE FIRST DAY. TRANSPORTATION WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR SOME PERSONS WHO WILL JOIN THE GROUP ON THE LAST DAY TO COMPLETE MARCH BY ENTRY INTO MONTGOMERY.
- F. LINES OF COMMUNICATION AMONG THE MARCHERS AND LEADERS AND CERTAIN SUPPORTING SERVICES WILL BE ESTABLISHED BY WALKIE-TALKIE RADIOS AND OTHER MEANS.

8. LIASON WILL BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN DESIGNATED LEADERS OF THE MARCH AND SUCH STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS AS THE AGENCIES CONCERNED SHALL DESIGNATE.

9. A MASS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN FRONT OF THE ALABAMA STATE CAPITOL ON THE DAY THE MARCHERS ENTER MONTGOMERY. THERE WILL BE A SPEAKERS' STAND WITH LOUDSPEAKERS IN THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE CAPITOL. THE AUDIENCE WILL BE ON THE SIDEWALKS AND IN THE STREET IN FRONT OF THE CAPITOL AS WELL AS ON THE CAPITOL STEPS. THE AUDIENCE WILL BE DIRECTED NOT TO WALK ON THE GRASS AROUND THE CAPITOL UNLESS THE STATE PERMITS THIS. THE FORMAL PROGRAM WILL BE CONDUCTED BETWEEN APPROXIMATELY 12 NOON AND 3:00 P.M.

10. FOLLOWING COMPLETION OF THE OUTDOOR PROGRAM:

- A. NOT MORE THAN 20 PERSONS WILL ENTER THE CAPITOL BUILDING PROCEED TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, SEEK AN AUDIENCE WITH THE GOVERNOR AND PRESENT A PETITION.
- B. TRANSPORTATION AWAY FROM THE CAPITOL GROUNDS WILL BE PROVIDED BY LEADERS OF THE MARCH TO VARIOUS DESTINATIONS INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION TERMINALS..

11. THE MARCH WILL BE ORDERLY AND PEACEFUL AND OTHERWISE OBSERVE THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF DIGNITY AND DECORUM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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