

July 4, 2010

MIKE -

PLEASE TRY TO GET THIS MESSAGE TO

THE PUBLIC :

→ I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE JURY IN THIS CASE IS GOING TO DECIDE, BUT I HOPE THOSE WHO HATE ME AND THOSE WHO UNDERSTAND THAT I NEVER INTENDED TO SHOOT OSCAR GRANT WILL LISTEN TO THIS MESSAGE.

→ I HAVE AND WILL CONTINUE TO LIVE EVERYDAY OF MY LIFE KNOWING THAT MR. GRANT SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SHOT. I KNOW A DAUGHTER HAS LOST A FATHER AND A MOTHER HAS LOST A SON.

IT SADDENS ME KNOWING THAT MY ACTIONS COST MR. GRANT HIS LIFE, NO WORDS CAN EXPRESS

HOW TRULY SORRY I AM.

→ I HOPED TO TALK TO MS. JONSON AND MS. MESA IN THE DAYS FOLLOWING THIS TERRIBLE EVENT, BUT DEATH THREATS TOWARDS MY NEWLY-BORN SON, MY FRIENDS AND FAMILY RESULTED IN NO COMMUNICATION

OCCURRING. I HOPE THE DAY WILL COME WHEN  
ANGER WILL GIVE WAY TO A DIALOGUE.

→ FOR NOW, AND FOREVER I WILL LIVE, BREATHE,  
SLEEP, AND NOT SLEEP WITH THE MEMORY OF MR. GRANT  
SCREAMING "YOU SHOT ME" AND ME PUTTING MY HANDS  
ON THE BULLET WOUND THINKING THE PRESSURE WOULD  
HELP WHILE I KEPT TELLING HIM "YOU'LL BE OKAY!"

I TRIED TO TELL MYSELF THAT MAYBE THIS SHOT WOULD  
NOT BE SO SERIOUS, BUT I RECALL HOW SICK I  
FELT WHEN MR. GRANT STOPPED TALKING, CLOSED HIS  
EYES AND SEEMED TO CHANGE HIS BREATHING.

→ I DON'T EXPECT THAT I CAN EVER CONVINCE  
SOME INDIVIDUALS HOW SORRY I AM FOR THE  
DEATH OF MR. GRANT, BUT I WOULD NOT FEEL  
RIGHT IF I DIDN'T EXPLAIN MY THOUGHTS AS  
I WAIT FOR A DECISION BY THE JURY.

- Johannes Mehserte  
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