



**KWELL**

(TRUTH)

**The Majority Report**

**"The Out Position"**

**Summer Black Studies Workshop**

**Institute of the Black World**

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## PREFACE

June 30, 1969 found a small group of --

Knee Grows/  
Blacks/  
Afro-Americans/  
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AFRICANS

at the Institute of the Black World in Atlanta, Georgia meeting to explore an educational phenomenon that has been taking hold throughout american universities, mostly during the last college year. This phenomenon -- "Black Studies" -- we sought to investigate in order to develop its conceptualization and learn how best to implement it in our individual institutions.

The process of conceptualizing "Black Studies" as the primary task forced each of us to probe introspectively our individual ideological positions -- and necessarily so. One cannot begin to deal with developing any educational concept -- which is always inevitably immersed in ideology -- without first acknowledging and coming to grips with his own ideological base.

For some, it might not be enough to say that this introspection was an agonizing experience. The changes we individually went through within the first week more than once threatened the continuation of the workshop, which was scheduled to last six weeks. And by the middle of the second week, we found it expedient to divide into two groups. This pamphlet represents the majority group.

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Members of the minority group held that the establishment of programs within the present american establishment could be effective -- indeed, for some, revolutionary -- in moving toward their liberation.

Herein is the collective position of the second group, stated from the pen of each member. Calling itself WAKWELI (Family of Truth), the group seeks to exemplify the African value of all brothers and sisters identifying themselves as a part of the extended African Family.

Further, in the light that a reconciliation between the two group positions is inconceivable, and that the majority of persons participating in the workshop are of WAKWELI, this pamphlet must be acknowledged as the only possible official position of the Summer Workshop on Black Studies -- a position which nonetheless invalidates the very institute sponsoring it.

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