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Charles, Quai!

There was a piece on Ganienkeh in the Dec 25, 1974, issue of the Guardian, but it did not mention my name. I am not a regular reader of the Guardian, but I do read it when I get hold of it. I must read so many Indian papers and newsletters, that I have very little time left for other reading. If there was a piece that mentioned my name, I would be very interested in seeing it. Send it to me, if you can, or let me know the date of the issue and I will try to get hold of it.

I was not too happy over the Dec 25 piece. It was evidently rewritten from a publicity handout given out by the American Indian Community House. I say this because, just before the last paragraph, there were three dashes so ___ ___ ___ which in the newspaper game is a signal that the rest of the article is printed as originally received.

The lines I objected to were: "We intend to stay here. We will meet armed force with armed force. If we are defeated, we will return." The Mohawks feel that way alright, but they aren't saying it out loud right now because they don't want to provoke any more trouble right now. They just want to be left alone long enough to get the camp on a self sustaining basis. The State knows well enough how they feel and knows what they will have to reckon with if they try to invade. The Guardian should have consulted the Ganienkeh leadership before they printed that piece, and a phone call would have done it.

As for the donations: Make checks payable to the American Indian Community House, but earmark them at the top "Ganienkeh Camp." (This will enable you to take advantage of the tax exempt status of the A.I.C.H.) Mail them to: American Indian Community House, 40 East 35th Street, New York, N.Y. 10016. Don't worry! They will get to Ganienkeh alright!

May our Grandfathers, the Thunderers, guide your feet in smooth paths, and may they guard you from all harm!

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