

UNITE DEMONSTRATE FOR JOBS AT CONFUCIUS PLAZA



De Matteis has refused to stop its racist hiring policies by not hiring Asians. Last May 8 at a press conference, Asian Americans For Equal Employment again tried to set up negotiations for the hiring of Asian workers. De Matteis' refusal to even accept a petition signed by over 8,000 Chinatown community people who support the hiring of Asian workers is a blatant example of racism in the construction industry. This is a humiliation! This is an insult of our strength and determination.

We have been prevented from earning a decent living throughout our history in the U.S. by being excluded from the economic mainstream and restricted to the lowest paying industries. Garment, laundry, and restaurants cannot even offer job security.

The only possibility for a decent living is to break into industries such as construction--Confucius Plaza is a beginning.

Throughout the past five months, De Matteis has refused to even sit down with us to negotiate about the hiring of Asians. De Matteis' position is that he and his sub-contractors do not have the power to hire workers until they are in unions. This is a lie. Because the law states that the employers could hire 50% non-union workers who then would join the unions. De Matteis' hiring of two token Asian laborers because of community demands is proof that De Matteis is continuing his racist policies. This is only his tactic to attempt to pacify us.

What has the government done to enforce its own laws against racism at Confucius Plaza?

Asian Americans For Equal Employment has contacted over 200 public and private agencies at all levels who are responsible for enforcing these laws. For example, Housing and Development Corporation, Board of Urban Affairs, Recruitment Training Programs, Civil Rights Commission, building trade unions,--the list is endless. All these meetings have produced NOTHING.

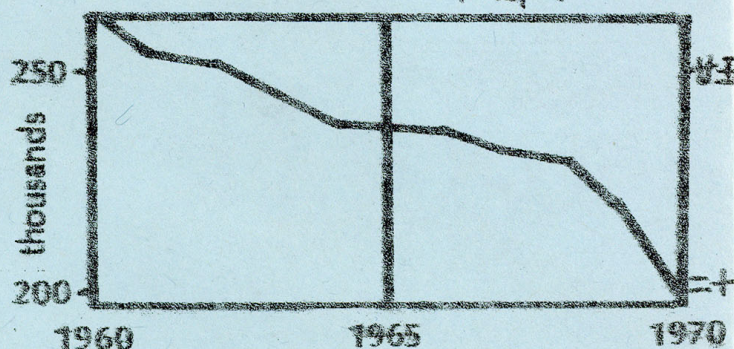
What has the government done? They have hired the head of the racist construction industry, Peter Brennan, as the U. S. Labor secretary.

HOW CAN WE GET JOBS?

The history of Blacks and Puerto Ricans has proven that the oppressed must organize and fight for our rights. Their most recent action took place at the public housing project at 105th Street and Fifth Avenue. Their threats to stop construction by demonstrating was the reason for minorities being hired.

We must learn from their experience and unite with them around our common interest. At Confucius Plaza, we must begin to demonstrate because direct action is the only means

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by which we can get decent jobs. We need to take action now, otherwise by the time Confucius Plaza is finished, we would still be kept out of the door.

COME JOIN US MAY 16 AT ELEVEN A.M. AT CHATHAM SQUARE TO DEMONSTRATE FOR EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OF CHINESE AT CONFUCIUS PLAZA. THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING!

UNITE!

DEMONSTRATE!

FIGHT DISCRIMINATION!

BREAK INTO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY!

DEMAND JOBS AT CONFUCIUS PLAZA!

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