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# To the Black Wo

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MY DEAR SISTERS, the Beloved of God and His Messenger Muhammad, and of the Nation of Righteousness: As I have taught you and have written in the MUHAMMAD SPEAKS NEWSPAPER, you, the Black Woman are the greatest and the most prided woman of the Nation of the earth. But, you are now like wild game in the jungle. In order to get you to commit evil and indecency, the white man cuts your dress off up to and above your knee, and you follow them with a smile. It did not seem possible before yesterday, that you would stoop to any such filth, and display your nude body and spread out your low desire and characteristics and allow the public to see you in such a half - nude condition. But, you fall back on this answer: "That is the style." You do not have enough sense to reply that this is the style of the enemy of yours, for you are lost to the knowledge of self and you think everything white people do, you should follow them.

THIS IS DUE TO THE LACK OF KNOWLEDGE of yourself and the white race. You pay no attention to the truth of their history, that God in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, to Whom praises are due forever, has taught me. And, I am teaching you that they had 2,000 years of living as savages and that they did not regard themselves as being nude when they lived in the hills and cavesides of Europe. They went wild and captured and killed animals — taking the coat off animals and putting them on themselves. And, they still do it. He, the white man, still hunts animals that have fine hides and fur to sell them to the world, and to keep the cold out of their body.

NOW, THE WHITE MAN is talking about a more modest style for you — for you went crazy over his half nude style which was disgracing him and his kind before the civilized, decent society of other nations. If you noticed, the most intelligent and decent people, especially among the white race, do not wear mini - dresses; it would disgrace their office of intelligence and rule. What would you

look like going to the office of intelligent white people today and see them sitting there with long hair or beards or with hair worn down their backs like a woman? This is the way the uncivilized white man went in the days when they lived in caves. It is the style of Black people of uncultured parts of Africa and the Islands of the Pacific, which was caused by the absence of the right guide, but they too will turn to the civilized way when they have the right guide.

YOU SHOW OFF YOUR IGNORANCE by adopting everything evil and indecent of the white man which



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he puts forth for you to follow. And, then, after he has caused you to disgrace yourself, he is satisfied and leaves it go and finds something else.

LAST NIGHT, I was listening to a white fashion commentator on the radio, who was advising the woman to pull her dress down at least two inches below the knee. The white people also say that they will not hire indecently dressed women, and long haired, bearded men in their office. But, we the Muslims, have for thirty years been wearing a decent style while you laughed at us. We still have a decent style and we will never have

anything else but a decent style of woman's dress. At present, we have a woman's style of dress that looks like a one piece skirt, but is not. It is divided so that in case a woman may be in an unexpected accident, she will not be exposed.

THE WOMAN WHO IS MODESTLY DRESSED, always looks better to a man. But, if she goes out half nude and shows that she has no care or respectability in public and is indecent in her actions, the first thought that comes to a man's mind is that she is unworthy of his attention and he dismisses that type of woman as

something that the public does not desire to honor.

LET US LIFT UP the Light of God in all of our actions and practices of that which is good, and that will draw the world to Him. Go home and take off those above the knee dresses and those dresses that come to the knee. Bring your dress down below the knee. If you desire to have a proper dress, you should not let the length of that dress stop until it is below the knee and actually half - way the calf of the leg, as it is called. Show self - decency. You are no more lost. You are no more what you were yesterday — that you do not have the chance or right to be better than you are. You have all the freedom to do right. As we the Muslims are a small group among you, and we are proving to you that it is not hard for you to do that which is right. If you do so, the world of civilized nations will recognize you for doing so.

THANK YOU for reading this article....MORE TO FOLLOW

Elijah Muhammad, Messenger of Allah, to you all.

## Filth That Produces The Filth.

Quran (7:27) O children of Adam, let not the receiver seduce you, as he expelled your parents from the garden, pulling off from them their clothing he might show them their shame. He surely sees you as well as his hosts, from whence you see them surely We have made the devils to be the friends of those who believe not.

This happened to the Black People who followed from Arabia. He pulled off, from their original the clothes of Righteousness and the clothes to cover their shame; and then made them to go nude in the cave-sides of Europe, until the birth of Moses. You are warned. You believe you are safe in following the invitation to evil and filth of the white race. and see.

## The Disgrace

