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Instruction is the practice or profession of any teacher; yet, a competent teacher practices a certain type of instruction i.e., superior instruction.

HOWEVER, I want to keep these comments in a Black perspective. The Black man in America has needed for over four hundred years a competent instructor who will give him the kind of knowledge necessary for the creation of a new self-image.

As a student at Tuskegee Institute preparing for the teaching profession, three of the major points stressed by my professors are those of excellent academic preparation, of understanding the abilities and learning habits of the students in the classroom, and preparing instructional materials so as to reach the student at his present level and bring him gradually from the familiar to the unfamiliar.

By giving a student superior instruction, he becomes a possessor of wisdom and begins to understand the inner qualities and relationships of his environment and himself.

Therefore, when I attend a "Negro History" class and listen to an instructor lecture on the Black man's "African Heritage," I could quickly see the confusion implied in the two conflicting terms. I am neither an Afro-American nor am I a Negro.

As Muslim followers of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad who is a competent teacher, we know that we are members of the original Asiatic Black Nation of the universe.

Our boundaries are not those of Africa.

Further, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad teaches us that the Black man is not a race but, a nation. He is not to be referred to by the names the white man uses on the original continent. The original inhabitants were referred to by their nation (Asia) before the white man renamed the original continent Africa.

Afro-American and Negro are not expressive of the Black man's true identity—because he is universal, the God of the universe, the original Black nation of the universe.

In addition, to allow someone to label you as a Negro, so teaches the Honorable Elijah Muhammad, is to allow him to brand you as nothing. You are not yourself nor can you be anyone else; you are neutral so long as you maintain the title of "Negro."

When Stokely Carmichael came to the campus of Tuskegee Institute shouting black power and trying to define it as the Black man controlling his political and economic destiny, I remembered the superior instruction given to me by a competent teacher, the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad, stated that "to define Black power is to define the Black man. He is power; the only true power in the universe."

There is no need to define yourself if you know yourself.

All praises are due to Allah for such a great leader and teacher, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad.

IT MUST be remembered that for every action there is a reaction. The Powerful action of Allah (God) and His Messenger, the Honorable Elijah Muhammad is causing the chaos breeders to react like the serpents that they are.

For example, specified television programs are being used as an instructional device designed to aid the student in his classroom experiences and as a supplement to class work.

However, in accord with his usual deceitful practices, the white man has started to produce hour-long programs on Black history or the "Negro's Role" in America. He makes sure that Black men and women hear such things as: "42% of the Black people participating in his survey are satisfied with the education their children are receiving; that 53% of the Black people are behind Reverend Ralph Abernathy's plea for integration; that 1 out of 5 Negroes want exclusively Black neighborhoods; that 1 out of 7 Negroes want exclusively Black businesses in their communities; and that the director of The National Association for the Advancement of "Colored People," Roy Wilkins, has stated that he wants to be "included out" of a Black revo-

lution. The preceding figures were televised on a national network September 2.

AGAIN, the white chaos breeders of the earth have set themselves up as the master teachers of the Black people of America and they use their Black imps to make their inferior instruction seem more profound. Black people have been able for billions, millions & trillions of years to communicate with each other and teach each other because of the superior culture they nurtured.

It is the white man who has to construct artificial means of communication in order to tune in on the Black man and use his knowledge to deceive others.

If it is true that Black people do not want their own businesses, schools and communities it is due to the fact that they are dependent on an inferior teacher for guidance and direction toward superior knowledge.

A COMPETENT teacher must bring the Black man from the familiar (white superiority) to the unfamiliar (Black superiority).

You can call it racism if you like, but Allah (God) and His Messenger call it TRUTH. It is evident that Black students on

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the Tuskegee campus are searching in darkness for the true knowledge of themselves because some wear African-styled garments as I once did.

Therefore Allah, through His Messenger, has placed several beams of light around the campus to help guide the lost chil-

dren (the so-called American Negro) out of their house of bondage (ignorance of self) and bring them back to their own kind (The Nation of Islam). All praises are due to Allah for giving us such a great Leader and Teacher in the person of the Most Honorable Elijah Muhammad.