



2019 Fourth Continental Report and Analysis of the 2014 Bundy Ranch Standoff

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BUNDY RANCH CONFRONTATION ANALYSIS

I, Colonel Bryan Hunt, California State Commander Militia, have been asked to write this analysis as not just a participant in the operation but as the appointed Battlefield Commander which was done by Cliven Bundy on April 2014. Human nature seems to get in the way through people trying to make a name for themselves, for one reason or another, causing dissension in the ranks with internal feuding instead of focusing on the problems at hand. At the Bundy Ranch Confrontation though, there were infiltrations that could have been avoided had a Provost Marshal been on site.

I will attempt to discuss the operation in its early stages then to the end of the operation analyzing the problems related to these issues:

- Vetting personnel
- The void in command structure
- Communications system failure
- The fight for control over the operation
- Lack of proper vetted intelligence and cyber intelligence
- Double agents and felons
- Stolen supplies
- Who was responsible for one of the most covered standoffs in U.S. history and behind the scenes pulling the strings?
- Why was Blackwater AKA Craft International involved?

While the overall operation was primarily successful in its tactical application forcing the BLM and FBI who had responded to leave the county, the deployment itself is considered as a failure during initial shakedown.

As California State Commander, 31st Field Light Foot Forces, I deployed to the Bundy Ranch and met with the Nevada State Commander AKA "Lady Sonja." We then went to meet with Cliven Bundy in his house. Present for the meeting were Cliven Bundy, Ryan Payne (representative from Blackwater, AKA, Craft International hired by Cliven for personal security), "Booda," "Lady Sonja," me (Colonel. Bryan Hunt) and Michael C. School (representative from 4th Continental Congress, General Secretary).

VETTING PERSONNEL

“Lady Sonja” had a disagreement with Cliven Bundy and then she left the area, taking her command staff with her. Cliven then recognized me as the Battlefield Commander in charge of the Militia being deployed who were continuing to stream in throughout the night from various areas.

I will discuss Nevada Militia though because they are very much part of this analysis while I will not discuss the identity of the Nevada Commander. Suffice to say, “Lady Sonja” did not want to cooperate with anyone nor work with anyone after meeting with Cliven Bundy. When she left the field, she took her entire command staff which left a void. Cliven made it clear to everyone that he had no faith in “Lady Sonja” and chose me to command the Militia on his property including public outlying lands.

My first acts as Battlefield Commander were to:

- Dispatch California Units (of which I will not discuss the identity of those units for operational security of the command)
- Locate a site for Headquarters (HQ), and then set up Triage, Communications and Chow area (within a two-room bunker/concrete root cellar I found that had been abandoned years before).

THE VOID IN COMMAND

Part of the purpose of this study is to identify where and how everything went astray when serious effort was being expended on coordination.

Due to the usurpation by Ryan Payne, a void was created in Leadership which led to major infighting among the arriving units and a power struggle ensued between Ryan Payne’s group, Jerry DeLemus group (Three Percenters), the Oath Keepers and the Constitutional Militia under my control.

It was determined after the fact, that Ryan Payne was acting as a double agent who received his orders from Gary Hunt which caused a void in command in the Militia on the ground. Units were still responding while this void only continued to worsen as there was no direct communication with the Battlefield Commander, due to usurpation of command by Ryan Payne, which was not disclosed to anyone for several days.

If a Provost Marshal had been on site, this entire scenario would not have happened as I was in direct contact with the Nevada Governor while Ryan Payne was initiating a Stand-off scenario without

disclosing his true intentions publicly but through the use of crisis actors such as Blaine Cooper and Louis Arthur (AKA Louie Prepper) in an attempt to smear and discredit the Militia as a whole.

COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM FAILURE

After setting up Communications and conducting a field radio check as 31st Field Force HQ. It was observed early on that arriving individuals in addition to entire units that showed up had no Long-Range Communications, nor individual radios. As a Head Quarters Commander deploying to the field, I had shown up with my radio equipment plus my portable command system, which include my two radios, my laptop and necessary electrical to become operational with cyber intelligence capabilities onsite. I was the only Commander that brought a laptop into the field. I had needed to get my radio programmed for the frequencies being used by the Three Percenters and other units in which none of their personnel could figure out how to program frequencies and did not have a list of frequencies to use.

It should be noted that the Three Percenters have no established command structure within their own organization let alone unit Communications Specialists. No one could tell me which frequencies they were using. In contrast, the Field Force system has frequencies in continuous use and can interact with other Field Force units and the Light Foot System. It is advisable to adopt uniform systems between all types of Militia-oriented systems and structures to avoid this error in the future. Luckily, the Bundy Ranch de-escalated quickly and without casualties. It would have been a catastrophe if shooting had broken out with nobody in communication and leaderless in the field.

On Friday evening, April 14th, 2014, I had personally witnessed sniper teams in the hills and mountains around the base camp. Upon being appointed to position as Battlefield Commander, I began a recon of the area, which based on my experience and reading military history, the Militia basecamp was set up in a valley surrounded by mountaintops earlier in the day. General Secretary, Michael C. School had given me a tour of the battlefield showing me the federal lines across the 15 Freeway as they were cutting out a huge parking lot and establishing a temporary Federal Forward Base. That night we had witnessed and heard gunfire in the mountains trying to draw fire from the Militia which was documented but ignored as unrelated to our mission.

That night, I had received a verbal report of U.S. Military Gunships on station, which when I requested a written Salute Report (from the Three Percenters and the Oath Keepers) so I could dispatch a unit to confirm. I was met with hostility and misdirection. I was able to locate an eyewitness to the staged helicopters the night of April 14th a trucker from California. At approximately 2200 hours the witness to the gunships left with promises to return with manpower. He returned approximately 0100 hours on April 15th with four other individuals, identified as a clandestine unit of Militia from California, former elements from the 1st of the 9th Air Cavalry. I was asked what I needed to make a successful defense, while their sergeant in charge assigned one of his men as liaison and security.

FBI sniper forces were observed on a hill top overlooking the Militia base camp earlier the previous day so a Recon team (formed from former 1st of the 9th Air Cavalry) was dispatched as overwatch on their positions which were then abandoned during the night. On Sunday night, April 16th, we observed Cobra gunships deployed in the foothills of the surrounding area, which were to scare the Militia into giving up by intimidation.

THE FIGHT FOR CONTROL OVER THE OPERATION

It should be noted that there were no Sentries being posted by the groups involved with the Leadership disputes, besides the 31st FF HQ. This resulted in people wandering around, in and out, without being challenged. Saturday, there was a confrontation between the Private Military Contractors (PMC) and me, as to who was in charge. This resulted in Jerry DeLemus throwing his weight around at gunpoint via people under his command on more than one occasion.

The void of Leadership resulted in multiple Constitutional Units abandoning the area to avoid being linked to the chaos ensuing, as it was a serious drain on available resources. These resources (personnel, munitions, food, finances) were not easily replaced, as the Militia is self-supported, and our overall goal is to professionalize a tarnished image due to false governmental stereotyping.

It came to my attention, based on my participation and research through cyber intelligence after the operation, that certain people were operating with Ryan Payne as double agents and or as an agent provocateur. Some of them have been seen on U-Tube videos on the internet with "Blaine Cooper" being one of them. He is a 16- time felon whose true name is Stanley Blaine Hicks as identified by 31st FF HQ Intelligence. Some of the same people were observed at other standoffs with two names popping up repeatedly; Gary Hunt and Ryan Payne, both involved with Operation Mutual Defense (OMD). It is believed that Gary Hunt is the "money man" and Ryan Payne works in operations with OMD.

Operation Mutual Defense which was responsible for the Burns Standoff several months later in Harney County, Oregon which resulted in the murder of LaVoy Finicum by FBI Agent Joseph Astarita. Finicum was unarmed at the time of his murder. Special Agent Astarita was exonerated of any wrongdoing.

It should be noted that multiple State of Oregon law enforcement agencies publicly spoke out in condemnation of the FBI's criminal misconduct in the field which absolves them of perceived collusion with the FBI's willful actions against Finicum.

Easily accessible information related to Gary Hunt who has been involved at Waco, Oklahoma City Bombing, Ruby Ridge Standoff, Bundy Ranch Standoff, Josephine Mine Standoff, Harney County Standoff and unknown others. Gary's game is to befriend someone then create a trust-bond which he then uses against the person to manipulate them in the furtherance of his schemes.

Regarding Gary Hunt, see:

- The Oklahoma City Bombing Case Revelations, 2007 by Patrick B. Briley
- FBI Exhibit entered in the Oregon Standoff Trial regarding Gary Hunt's involvement with Operation Mutual Defense (OMD), Case #316-cf-00051-BR, Document 2519-1, Filed 02/21/18, pages 1-91.
- Witness- Captain KC Massey Texas Militia, interacted with Gary Hunt during the "Camp Lonestar" Border Deployment which was under Captain KC Massey's leadership. Captain Massey has worked with the 31st Field Force prior to that deployment and is considered reliable and honorable by this Command based on personal firsthand experience in the field.

There is another damaging document which is a federal investigation report on Operation Mutual Defense which showed OMD people were planning to involve the Militia in a preemptive shooting war with the Federal government.

DOUBLE AGENTS

It should be noted that Gary Hunt, Ryan Payne, "Blaine Cooper", Louis Arthur, Jerry DeLemus are NOT PART OF ANY RECOGNIZED COMMAND but are acting as Provocateurs within the DeJure Militia System.

A Female Provocateur of note is Deborah Swan of Texas. She lures men, then turns on them. It was disclosed by Ryan Payne that she works with or for Gary Hunt, self-proclaimed Operation Mutual Defense (OMD) Advisory Board member.

Rick Light- AKA Commander Light, from Texas is another felon who is NOT PART OF ANY RECOGNIZED COMMAND but acting as a Provocateur within the DeJure Militia System (possibly under Gary Hunt).

Whether Cliven Bundy or his son Ammon was aware of this aspect of Operation Mutual Defense or not remains to be seen. I do know this, that Ryan Payne was playing on both sides of the coin on behalf of Gary Hunt, as others were at the time.

I would also like to reference William Cooper's report on Gary Hunt. Cooper, former Naval Intelligence, deceased 2001, speaks from the grave in my opinion, whereby in several e-mails, Cooper claims he knew Gary Hunt and that he was involved with a government agency, possibly ATF.

Additionally, on Saturday, April 15th, BLM agents were caught by elements of the Militia changing into Militia uniforms. Debriefings suggested that their uniforms were very much like ours for infiltration purposes.

STOLEN SUPPLIES

After Jerry DeLemus and cohorts wore thin on everyone's nerves, their entire group pulled out during the night of Sunday, April 16th. The next day during a survey of the debris left behind in and around their camp, a missing supply trailer was found. It was ransacked with nothing left salvageable. The trailer and goods had been donated and delivered by the Sons of Liberty, Illinois which due to the Leadership snafu, the supplies were diverted away from the Militia and withheld for Delemus's groups' exclusive use.

CONCLUSION

During the confrontation, the Militia as a whole, enjoyed a large amount of public support where supplies were brought in daily but also disappeared, including 20,000 rounds of ammunition that was donated. Other personal equipment turned up missing in addition to what has been reported here. If proper security measures had been implemented under a Provost Marshal this could not have occurred.

One can question how Operation Mutual Defense (OMD) which evolved from Operation Mutual Aid (OMA), was able to garner this much response and the amount of money to run an operation of this scale? Who were the money people behind the scenes? It begs the question how people with no visible means of support, were able to show up with expensive weaponry?

Since Bundy Ranch, including Burns, Oregon, there have been 11 other standoffs which were attended by some of the people named in this report and additional participants. It bears a closer look by the good leadership within the Militia system. While you can bet, we may have a reprieve under the Trump administration all it takes is another powder keg to start a standoff all over again. Which under an administration like Obama's, should that happen, the Militia needs to be ready with capable and trained officers willing to take their oaths and training seriously; not found to be felons.

Continuing Operations on the Saturday night into Sunday (April 15th-16th), culminated with a federal judge's order to release the cattle. Many cattle were missing. I had begun that Saturday night to search the internet for eyewitness reports of cattle movement, the BLM and for cattle that the BLM did not shoot. I traced the cattle to a slaughterhouse in Ontario, California. That same night after I began to

question as to why the Bundy's were being attacked and mistreated in the manner which was witnessed. What was found, was a U.S. GEOLOGICAL 2005 Survey report on the Bundy property which I turned over to Cliven Bundy.

Concluded from this Geological report, the Bundy's land dispute was not about water right nor grazing rights nor an endangered turtle; this was about mineral rights that Senator Harry Reid was after. Harry Reid's son was Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in Clark County during this timeframe. Harry Reid had sold the Bundy Ranch and public land adjacent to the Chinese government. The Chinese government purchased the land for the mineral rights; which included not only gold, silver and uranium deposits but magnesium dolomite which one of its applications is rocket fuel.

Whomever it was that helped create this standoff, had a vested interest in this property-which brings me to why Blackwater and or Craft were there:

- A- They were hired under the authority of Cliven Bundy, to protect his family or
- B- Blackwater/Craft International came in under masquerade of personal protection and was there to create a possible incident that the Militia would be blamed for.

It is this Commander's opinion that the Militia must never engage in a standoff ever again. If we go to arms it must be for legitimate reasons in defense of the Constitution, not over someone's planned agenda. For all intents and purposes the Militia did conduct itself professionally. Limited equipment, training, and communications especially in the areas of uniformity with other militia organizations need to be addressed.

Despite the conflict and problems standing together, our message, the "Line in the Sand," was able to reach the world through social media and Fox 11 News, which was the only network to cover this event. This successful mission went viral to the degree, that Russia began asking questions, inquiring why citizens were willing to fight off a Federal government out gunned and out classed.

It is now the year 2019. Five years since that history making event-the "shot heard around the world." Perhaps the Militia and Patriot leaders will take this analysis to heart and make the necessary corrections.

Since the Bundy standoff, the 31st Field Force has created a JAG or Judge Advocate General. The Militia operates under the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) which the Provost Marshal operates under. The Provost Marshal section has taken the lead since the Bundy Ranch confrontation to deal with issues such as theft, treason and other disciplinary problems.

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