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[continuing from paragraph 28 ; Dr. Na'min Akbar is a trained psychologist .

29. I would later buy his " light from ancient Egypt " ; All Dr. Akbar books explore the self-determined psyche of the

individual from a Afrocentric rooted psychology ; these books blessed my thirst for knowledge about the self as a blackman

in america , and the collective self as part of a Suigeneris community and later on , a blue print for an understanding of

the collective self in humanity . and put my soul on nuclear alert ; busted " atoms " in my mind like Free radicals at

a nuclear fusion plant .

30. From this point on , I have never stop learning . I also made a law for my self , that every time I got a substantial amount

money , I would allocate some of it for some books. and that was a fluid law , as it could be at low point of a Bill and I'll buy

a book on the strength that I needed to see a tangible residual of all the money being spent on canteen or other items that

became voids after some time or was not a good investment ; I view books as such.

32. I believe that I have purchased over 2,000 (two thousand) books since my imprisonment and owned over 3600 ;

and I take pride in that fact , because If I compare this to the amount of money i wasted on the streets buying beer ,weed ,

clothes , shoes , cigarettes ; this is nothing , and shows how little knowledge and education was valued in my milieu even

when our teachings and my upbringing placed planets on it's importance .

33. Some were clearance sell books from Edward Hamilton book seller , others that made it 3600 came from free book

programs or pass on's from other prisoner's on the quest of knowledge like me . The most money I ever spent on one

book that I can recall was \$60 and that was recently . A book by the Shaykh I study Sufism with ; the most expensive

book a prisoner should always buy , if nothing else is a Dictionary ; Both Malcolm and Dr. Akbar discuss the value of book

purchases in prison and outside of prison. any great teacher / leader should have a awesome personal library , otherwise ,

they are neither fit to teach and let along lead me any where , except; out of their ignorant presence .

33. and most of all of them were nonfiction books ; there is enough fictional characters around me telling lies and make

believe that I got my full of that ;

34. I have study Zazen (Japanese Buddhism) for well over 20 years , under the understanding of zen master Tonen-san ,

like a dilettante , and this has helped me stay F♣cus , Stay Lov♥ed. in an insane milieu and the gutter nature that is

embraced . and of course , the most stabilizing of all , has been my studies in Al-Islam and Islamic Sufism ;

which fuse together all the construct's of writing and the constellations that constitute it's constitution ;

35. I still have a few subjects that I lack fundamental mastery of , and Im treading down the path , I see my education as a

infinite travel and one to be enjoyed at the same time , it's not a prison sentence , it is a power beyond defining , and as

such , I'm just in the 3rd phase of the continuum . and I have come full cycle with phase one , when I started developing

my mind in pre-education , and I pray to Die with a book in my hand or on the floor , because it fail out my hand with

the last breath ; I use to desire some other kind of exciting death or a warriors death , but I 'm too old and too wise for

that , after all , was it not the warrior's purpose to fight so that the scholar my exist ! for us warrior's will fade with time

if it was not for the sword of the scholar (the pen) ; so it's no dishonor for me to die a scholar's death .

36. I will provide a Honorable listing of some who had the most impact on my education .

- (1) My mom and sister
- (2) Mr. Parks
- (3) Larry Hoover & King David , indirectly
- (4) Ms. Banster in greenbay
- (5) Zazen master Tonen-san
- (6) Shaykh Nuh Ha Mim Keller

and two people who currently are helping me , they should know who they are . poems

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" Back to College "

around the college bend

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DEDICATED TO MY MOTHER HATSHEPSUT :

1. It has taken me 49-give or take , years to go back to college . I know I have been many disappointments, I have been a ungood child .

BUT YOU NEVER STOP LOVING ME .

2. It has taken 49-give or take , years to realize what you had been instilling in me from day one .

that a good education is a machete in the weeds & dark forests of life .
oh, how far I went astray .

BUT YOU NEVER STOP LOVING ME

3. It has taken me 49-give or take , years to be that student , you always showed ,
always wanted me to be , you know , the one you was , when you attended
Chicago state . how did I miss that 95th street bus , and ended-up in wis-state ,
 instead of university .

BUT YOU NEVER STOP LOVING ME

4. And while it has taken me 49-years , give or take to go back to college ,
and I'm just starting to turn the good old college bend , I'm going " All " the way , you
start late , but you start with the biggest bang , yet subtle .

5. It took me 49-years , to realize the blessings and force that you are & were back then ,
 when at 2 or 3 years old , you strapped your baby on the back of your ten
speed. (i still can see that yellow baby seat) the baby of your tree , and went back
or started college your self . Not many African American kids in the city of Chicago,
have been blessed to go to college almost everyday with their mother --to major in --of course , '
special Ed ' .

THAT'S HOW MUCH YOU LOVED ME

6. It has take me 49-give or take ,
to fully realize what that should have meant to me growing up ,
but it never took 49 or one , years to realize how much you loved me .
 that I always knew from my very 1st breath .

SO LET THE WORLD KNOW,

YOU NEVER STOP LOVING ME . QUEEN HATSHEPSUT ,your belove son, uhuru .