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04:01:15 UFW VOLUNTEER: I'm a proud man too, and I think we have a lot in common and I think we can get together, I think we can get together.

04:01:30 FARMWORKER: Like I say I'd rather go over there and work and earn my own money then um take the money away from whatever it is.

04:01:43 UFW VOLUNTEER: Like I was saying you know we stay out a week or as long as it takes. It may take, it may take just 2 or 3 more days but if it takes a week or two uh your family you know will have an income and uh we can go back in after he does sign a contract with us at a better wage scale and with better benefits. This is all we're asking for its its strictly uh you know a legal contract that we're trying to get. And uh and uh..... Did anyone explain to you what he tried to do? Did anyone.....

04:02:19 FARMWORKER: To choose his own people, first first thing the people, his own people is uh work with him uh for a long time uh and they really know the work, the way he want the work you know? And then he's in my favor too because I been workin' there for a long time. I don't want anyone coming in from outside and taking my family out from the field and put somebody else over there instead of my people.

04:02:55 UFW VOLUNTEER: It goes by seniority and if your family has been working with him longer than others you know your family would be in there working (interruption from 2nd voice) and your family uh apparently does have seniority in there and you know uh your family is working. Your family is working. Your family is working or was working under the existing contract that had existed until Saturday. Uh you know, everyone of your family that was old enough to be in there was working (interruption from Farmworker). I can come back later on and I would like to try and register you and all of the family

that was working uh you know so that you can begin working with us and get that strike gone. \$75 a week for each one of your family members.....

04:03:45 FARMWORKER: I think what Chavez should do is he should use a different tactic because the tactic he use is not good believe me.

04:03:55 UFW VOLUNTEER: Are you aware of the fact that the law is violating the law in favor of the growers? Are you aware of the fact that the law is out there wrestling people to the ground trying to convince them that you know that the grower's right and Chavez is wrong? Are you aware of that? You know I got arrested. I got arrested Friday. I was in there checking union cards you know. You know I used to be a law enforcement officer myself, you know I know the law and I also know the labor laws and I also know this is a labor dispute, this is a dispute between an employer and his employees. This is, we're in negotiations over a contract. Ok, he has the law you know, the deputies that we respect, and we respect them. They're out there and the minute he calls them and they go out there and they treat us like, they want to treat us like animals, you know? This is what they're doing. Now why is he doing this? Why, why isn't it better for him to negotiate a decent contract with his workers? But he's doing this. Not only that I was wrestled to the ground and I was choked and I was thrown in a paddy wagon. I was out there doing uh you know, doing a legal thing; a legal thing checking union cards and when they came and told us to leave we said we're leaving because we're through and then the guy says you're under arrest, I ask him why and he wouldn't tell me why and you know they got physical. But this is what they're doing. Yesterday morning I went out to the camp again to try and talk to people to stay home that we would win, that in a week or so we would get a signed contract. Ok, they had sheriff's deputies there with dogs you know trying to keep us from talking to the people. While when people live in a camp we have a right to talk to them if they wanna talk to us. You know the

owners own the camps and the growers own the camps but they don't own the people. Ok, they're out there trying to force us out. They're violating, they're violating our rights you know. These are the things that...End of interpretable conversation.

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