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In technology: a sobering example how FICTION should be taken as FACT

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The maps, derived from GIS, show the relative population of African Americans at census block level for both East Los Angeles (described as modern-day Detroit), North Vegas and Las Vegas.

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Dr. Thompson defended his problems with America by being an observer (out of the picture), another oddity in society, which he knew were leading to trouble... bad, unfortunately. Unfortunately, the foul year of 1971 combined with a helicopter trip to SADOM (L.V., NV) gave Thompson more than he asked for.

The deduction of data for 1970 has been analytical uncovered and (in a way) journalistic to parallel Thompson's observations— to validate HST's hypothesis: America being taken over by SWINE: NIXON and others who missed the marks of previous patriots.

"The dope fiend fears nothing. He will attack, for no reason, with every weapon at his command— including yours... One stitch in time (on him) will save nine on you. Good luck. The Chief" (139).

Interpretation of the 1970 data will be proof alone; however data from 2000 and the use of Arc Map will show if Dr. Thompson's portrayal of America was vindicated with the advancement of years.

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