I. THE POLITICS OF REPRESENTATION

MARCH 9, 2001  12-2 pm
Rackham West Conference Room

We have already established that Chagnon was not the first author to describe the Yanomami as violent. In fact, critics who have accused him of this characterization forget that the Yanomami refer to themselves as waitiri, “fierce and valiant.” What Chagnon did was translate the term into English. UM News Release, Nov. 13, 2001

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II. THE ETHICS OF INQUIRY

MARCH 23, 2001  12-2 pm
International Institute/SSW Building Room 1636

The serious factual errors we have found call into question the accuracy of the entire book as well as the interpretations of its authors. UM News Release, Nov. 13, 2001

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III. THE USES OF HISTORY

APRIL 6, 2001  1-3 pm
Rackham Assembly Hall

This claim [“Chagnon himself is directly or indirectly responsible for endemic warfare among the Yanomami”] is among the easiest to refute, especially since there is an extensive history on the topic. Warfare among Indian groups in South America goes back a minimum of 3500 years. UM News Release, Nov. 13, 2001

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Dr. Ferguson’s talk explores the multiple and often contradictory ways that history, science and ideology intersect in Western images of primitive warfare.

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Only that historian will have the gift of fanning the spark of hope in the past who is firmly convinced that even the dead will not be safe from the enemy if he wins. Walter Benjamin, spring 1940