A moratorium on the strike at UC Berkeley may soon be announced, Manuel Delgado, a spokesman for the Third World Liberation Front, told BARB Wednesday that negotiations with Chancellor Heyns were ongoing. TWLF conditions for calling a moratorium are being discussed.

Delgado indicated to BARB that Jenny Goggin may soon agree to the key TWLF condition -- the immediate hiring of a chairman and four division heads of the Department of Ethnic Studies. The five people would essentially be chosen by Third World Faculty and students.

If the five people were hired immediately, Delgado explained, then the calling of a moratorium would be automatic. Given the success of the strike, the TWLF policy would be to wait and see if the Administration were proceeding in good faith toward the creation of a Third World College in accord with the strike demands.

Delgado believes it would be better to have the Five Third Worlders work out the details of the College with the University bureaucracy while a moratorium was on, than to have all those decisions being negotiated with Heyns by the strike leaders while the strike continued.

But if the beginning of an interim department of ethnic studies were merely a shifting tactic on the part of the Administration to break the strike, then the Five people would tell the TWLF where it was at. Then the strike would resume more mildly than before.

At BARB press time, however, it was not yet known whether the negotiations would be successful enough to lead to a moratorium.

Delgado revealed that the main hangup in the negotiations was whether or not the "boundary" for the chairman and division heads to work in were to be set up before or after their hiring.

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Finals begin Monday and though there have been rumors of cool plans to disrupt the exams with the Man's favorite cannister, ye olde tear gas, nobody knows and few expect.

On Strike We'll Be Back, with an accent on the We'll Be Back.