

THE NATIONAL JERICHO MOVEMENT NEWSLETTER
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Revolutionary Greetings,

Welcome to our National Jericho Movement Newsletter. Thank you to all of our members and affiliations who contribute critical information regarding our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War as well as updates on activities, events and actions.

In light of the horrific actions of the United States government and it's agents who were kidnapping children at the US-Mexican border, we express our outrage at these inhumane acts of ripping children from their parents/families. We find these acts deplorably repugnant and a violation of Human Rights in one of it's severest forms. These children have been put in encampments (prisons) and reports of abuse are circulating. In addition to the trauma, fear and confusion these poor children must endure alone in a strange new country, there is no guarantee they will ever be reunited with their families. **They may very well be the youngest political prisoners in the US.**

We condemn these acts and stand in staunch solidarity with efforts to end these atrocities as well as demand the immediate return of all children to their parents **now**. As the Jericho Movement values to the **highest degree human life and Human Rights**, we will be participating in actions to aid these children and their families.



“U.S. Border Patrol agents take Central American asylum seekers into custody on June 12, 2018, near McAllen, Texas. JOHN MOORE / GETTY “ Picture Source: <https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2018/06/how-will-kids-find-parents-trump-executive-order-family-separation/563264/>

Moving forward, we stand in fierce determination and solidarity to free our beloved Political Prisoner's and Prisoner's of War. With 20 years behind us and much work ahead, Jericho is growing and as we take on new projects and missives our goal is to be obsolete within a few years. It is not our vision to keep Jericho going, but it is our vision that we will reach a time in this country (and others) wherein there will be no more Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War. We envision the day when they will walk free and into their families arms-who have been waiting for decades. We hope you join us in making this a reality.

Highlights

Parole Granted!

It is with immense gratitude and great joy that we report our Beloved Comrade has finally been granted parole.

Debbie Sims Africa: Parole granted May 2018, released June 2018

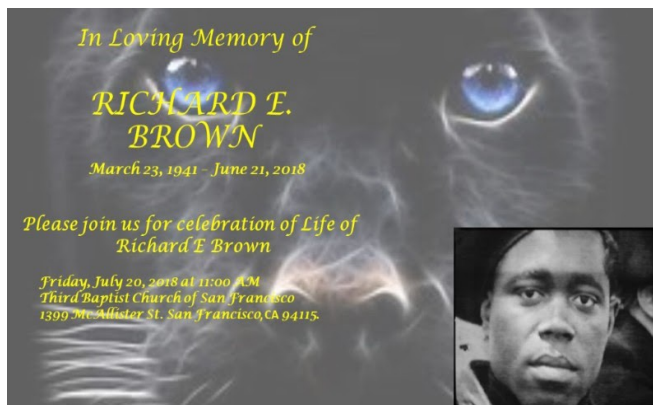


Debbie Africa with her son Michael on her way home to Philly!

“We are very happy to announce that Debbie Africa was released on parole Saturday, May 16, 2018. She is now back in Philly with her MOVE family. Years of hard and consistent work do bring results! Next year we are determined to bring home the rest of the MOVE 9 and other political prisoners.”

Richard Brown

Richard Brown, Jalil Muntaqim's comrade, passed away on June 21st. Black Panther, community leader and activist, fearless fighter for justice and liberation. We honor his life, may he rest in Power. We offer our condolences, support and love to his family.



Richard Brown (March 23, 1941 - June 21, 2018)

"Richard passed away on June 21st. Black Panther, community leader and activist, fearless fighter for justice and liberation.

You can watch Legacy of Torture to see more about Richard's life <https://vimeo.com/16332729>

The same people who tried to kill me in 1973 are the same people who are here today, trying to destroy me. I mean it literally. I mean there were people from the forces of the San Francisco Police Department who participated in harassment, torture and my interrogation in 1973 ... none of these people have ever been brought to trial. None of these people have ever been charged with anything. None of these people have ever been questioned about that. -- John Bowman, former Black Panther"

In 2005 several former members of the Black Panther were held in contempt and jailed for refusing to testify before a San Francisco Grand Jury investigating a police shooting that took place in 1971. The government alleged that Black radical groups were involved in the 34-year old case in which two men armed with shotguns attacked the Ingleside Police Station resulting in the death of a police sergeant and the injuring of a civilian clerk.

In 1973, thirteen alleged "Black militants" were arrested in New Orleans, purportedly in connection with the San Francisco events. Some of them were tortured for several days by law enforcement authorities, in striking similarity to the horrors visited upon detainees in Guantánamo and Abu Ghraib.

In 1975, a Federal Court in San Francisco threw out all of the evidence obtained in New Orleans". Read full article at: <https://vimeo.com/16332729>

Jericho Presents at June 18th 2018 Decolonization Hearings at UN

On Monday, June 18th Jericho Chair Jihad Abdulmumit, his son Abdurrahman and other Jericho members (Frank Velgara, Anne Lamb), represented Jericho at the Special Committee on the Decolonization of Puerto Rico hearings at the United Nations in New York.

Jihad and Frank both gave five minute presentations before the Special Committee. There were 43 scheduled presentations altogether which lasted from 9:50am in the morning until 5:00pm in the afternoon. Anne Jaffe also came, but was not preregistered, so she was not allowed in the hearings. **She stayed the entire day to show her staunch support.**

Comrade **Oscar Lopez** started the testimonies and was permitted to speak as long as he wanted. The guideline for everyone else was five minutes. This showed the tremendous respect the Special Committee and the

attendees had for Comrade Oscar. Oscar spoke at last year's Special Committee Meeting as well. Paulette Dauteuil (Jericho Movement & The International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee) has also presented before this Committee in the past.

The Special Committee passed the desire resolution in support of the decolonization of Puerto Rico.

Needless to say, Jericho fully supports the decolonization of Puerto Rico.

This is a concrete example of what international solidarity looks like!



Please see the Video's of the June 18th 2018 Decolonization Hearings at the UN here:

<http://webtv.un.org/search/5th-plenary-meeting-special-committee-on-the-situation-with-regard-to-the-implementation-of-the-declaration-on-the-granting-of-independence-to-colonial-countries-and-peoples/5799013471001/?term=&lan=english&page=7>

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-Join NYC Jericho on July 15th for a Day in Marcus Garvey Park! We are having a potluck BBQ in Marcus Garvey Park on Sunday, July 15th. Please join us for a fun and relaxing family day in the park! Bring your family, toys and games! There will be vegan and non-vegan food for all to enjoy. Please bring a dish to share with friends! Hope to see you there!

A Special Message

Please Read a Letter to our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War written by our Chair, Jihad Abdumumit:

PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM CHAIRPERSON
TO POLITICAL PRISONERS AND LOVERS OF FREEDOM AND JUSTICE
2018

Dear Comrades,
As-salaamu 'alaykum!
Greetings of Peace and Solidarity!!

Ramadan is a month of rigorous fasting. It celebrates the revelation of the Holy Qur'an and teaches one patience, personal development, and self-restraint. Insha Allah (Allah willing) we seek to capitalize from the rejuvenation and energy captured at the end of Ramadan to struggle harder for your release.

We the members of Jericho, along we the outside community, are sorely pained by your imprisonment and the length of time you have endured away from community, family and friends. It is difficult for many to even begin to imagine what it feels like to have done decades in prison, and for some, even a few years. Such confinement speaks to the nature of the beast and the historic and systemic social, economic and political conditions that the status quo prides itself.

We salute each and every one of you for your stamina, courage and resolve in the face of solitary confinement, routine lock downs, deteriorating health and frequent medical neglect, illegitimate parole denials, threats and assaults, and routine humiliation and deprivations.

Please believe that Jericho is here and with you doing our best to champion your well-being and release. We will keep your name and struggles in the minds and psychic of the people, nationally and internationally. We will sound the alarm and demand the best medical treatment for your needs. We will monitor your safety, and continue to campaign for your freedom. We are engaged in the international initiative proposed by Brother Jalil - "In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela" - which seeks to gain solid international support to bring our case before the United Nations. We will keep you abreast on this as we progress.

Be strong for us. You are our mentors and our inspiration. The same conditions you challenged and fought against before your capture remain. We need your light. We need to feel your determination. And in the end, for ALL of us, we live and die. It's already determined. But it's how we die. What was our faith and estimation of life that would have mattered.

Jihad Abdumumit

Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War

POLITICAL PRISONER OF THE MONTH: TOM MANNING



Political prisoner Tom Manning's birthday is June 28th.

“He is at a United States Penitentiary in West Virginia at the moment and just got out of segregation after an investigation. Tom has been in prison for over 30 years. Tom is confined to a wheelchair after surgeries that did not follow with proper physical therapy. He can use a letter or a (belated) birthday card.

Thomas Manning #10373-016

USP Hazelton PO Box 2000

Bruceton Mills, WV 26525

Some old photos and Tom's art can be seen on this archive

www.oocities.org/tom-manning/

“Thomas Manning is an anti-imperialist revolutionary who was active in the United Freedom Front, a clandestine anti-imperialist organization that carried out targeted bombings of corporate buildings, courthouses and military facilities and also carried out bank robberies to fund revolutionary projects. He was unjustly sentenced to 80 years in prison for killing a New Jersey state trooper in self-defense. Personal

Background

As a youth, Tom shined shoes and raised pigeons, before finding work as a stockboy. He joined the US Military in 1963, and the following year was stationed at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba before being transferred off to spend the following year in the Vietnam War.

Some time shortly after 1965, he was sentenced by a Massachusetts state court to five years in prison for armed robbery and assault, serving the last ten months in Massachusetts Correctional Institution – Cedar Junction. It was during these years that he became heavily politicized, through his interactions with other prisoners.

Tom Joins the United Freedom Front

After his release in 1971, he married Carole and together they had three children, Jeremy, Tamara, and Jonathan. The two of them became active in political organizing, particularly with a Portland, Maine group known as SCAR. Much of this work centered around working with prisoners, ex-prisoners and their loved ones. This work rapidly expanded to many areas of social concern including employment and housing for people coming out of prison, housing, welfare, advocacy, transportation for visits of prisoners family, childcare, a bail fund and a bookstore. Through this work and the study required to do it effectively, class contradictions became very clear to Tom. Eventually these realities lead to become active in the armed clandestine movement. They eventually joined the United Freedom Front. Between 1975 and 1984 the UFF carried out at least 20 bombings

and nine bank robberies in the northeastern United States, targeting corporate buildings, courthouses, and military facilities.

Tom and Carole are Arrested

On December 21, 1981 New Jersey police officer Philip Lamonaco was killed during a traffic stop. The UFF were prime suspects in the incident, setting off the largest manhunt in NJ police history.

After a decade of evading capture, all eight UFF members were arrested with Tom and Carole the last ones found in May of 1985 in Norfolk, VA.

Legal Case

Tom pled self-defense at his trial, while defense counsel showed that Lamonaco had emptied his .357 Magnum revolver at Manning and his associates. He was sentenced on February 19, 1987 to 58 years in federal prison. He should be paroled from the federal system sometime around November 2015.

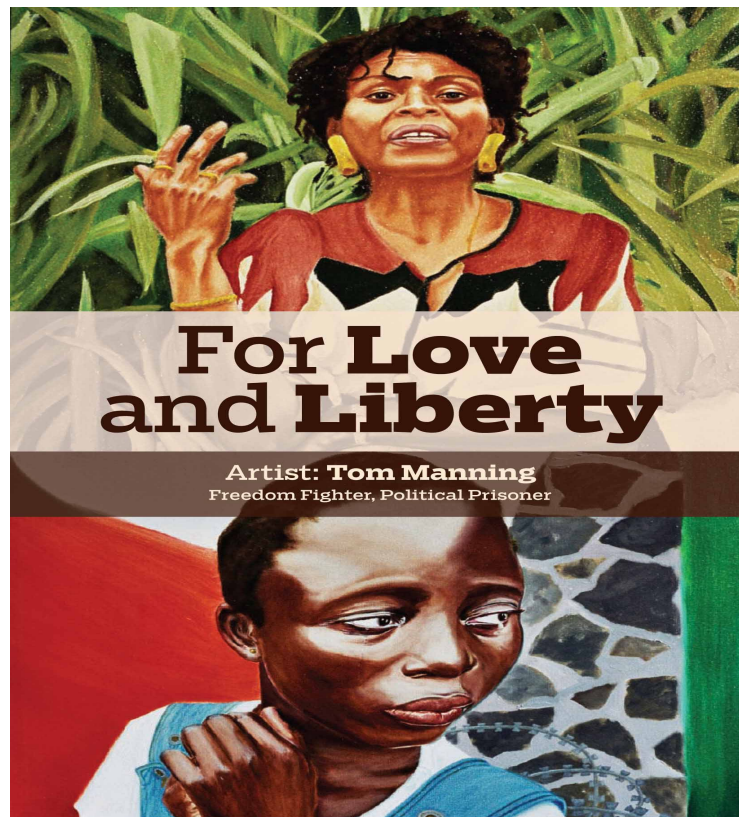
Life in Prison

Tom, like many political prisoners, has been designated a “high max” prisoner, which lead him to be on continual lockdown for the first 12 years in prison. Tom has also been subject to physical abuse and denied medical attention while in prison.

In 2006, his artwork was taken down from a show entitled “Can’t Jail the Spirit” at the University of Southern Maine from pressure by the Right.

Support

Support Site (currently down as of 3/27/17, but here is an archived version) NYC's Anarchist Black Cross's posts related to Tom: Media, Short Autobiography, Writings, Art, Video of Tom's Banned Art Show, Tom's book of paintings published by AK Press in 2014 For Love and Liberty” <http://prisonersolidarity.net/prisoner/tom-manning>



<https://freedomarchives.org/Tom%20Manning.html?wid=33028>

Medical Updates

-Seth Hayes: Jericho got a call from Seth's friend at 6:20 p.m Monday, June 25, 2018. He informed us that Seth fell out in his cell. A code blue was called and Seth was taken to an outside hospital. Anne Lamb will go to see him on Sunday along with others. **Update:** Seth's blood pressure was really really high so they took him to Catskills where they confirmed it wasn't his heart but recommended that he go to AMC. He was there for 4 days. It looks like his blood pressure meds aren't working as well as they use to work for him."

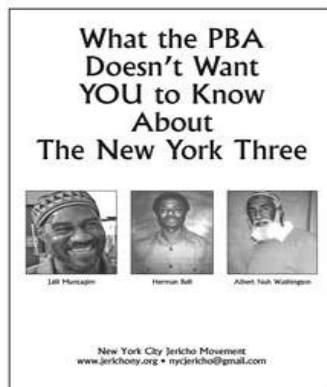
Legal Updates

-Jalil Muntaqim: Let's Bring Jalil Home in 2018!



Photo: HISTORY LESSON: Former Black Panther Jalil Muntaqim has taught black history courses to his fellow inmates in the New York State prison system. Credit: Sheri Pinto. <https://indypendent.org/2018/06/after-47-years-behind-bars-will-jalil-muntaqim-go-free/>

As Jalil prepares for his parole hearing this Fall (TBA) he is asking that everyone read and share the Doc "What the PBA does not you want you to KNOW about the NY3". Please download the Doc here:



<http://www.freejalil.com/index.html>

“To write a letter in you own words in support of parole for Jalil, address to:
Senior Offender Rehabilitation Coordinator, Sullivan Correctional Facility
325 Riverside Drive, Fallsburg, New York 12733

BUT SEND TO:

Nora Carroll: The Parole Preparation Project, 168 Canal Street, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10013

The subject line should be "Anthony Bottom 77-A-4283

“We are making an effort to include letters of support for Jalil that are personalized and from people who are familiar with him and his work. If you want further instructions for how to write a strong, personalized letter of support, please email carroll.nora@gmail.com.

Also, please send a copy of your letter to Jalil for his files. **Sign the online petition for Jalil's parole in 2018!**

https://www.change.org/p/tina-m-stanford-release-anthony-bottom-jalil-muntaqim-77a4283-on-parole-in-june-2018?recruiter=5078994&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=share_petition

Write to Jalil:

Anthony J. Bottom #77A4283

Sullivan C.F. P.O. Box 116

Fallsburg, NY 12733-0116

If you want to help Jalil A. Bottom with commissary, send a Postal money order to his address above. “

Political Prisoner/POW's Writings, Art, Books, Interviews & Statements

-Delbert Africa Statement For 6/19/2018 Debbie Africa Press Conference- June 2018 On The Move

“I Have to say Long Live JOHN AFRICA FOREVER !!! Yeah, because that is where I lay credit for Sister Debbie finally coming home! It is indeed a joyful moment to realize that one of my fellow MOVE 9 members has gotten this revolutionary activity over with, but make no mistake about it; this episode of systematic b.s. got me angry as hell! How dare these bastards try and create division and chaos by playing games with the women that Debbie left behind! I know there are people worldwide that rejoice in the fact that Debbie is home, just as The MOVE family does, but I'm telling y'all not to relax, don't even think about giving this foul ass system breathing room. Now is the time to come at them even harder with conviction and determination! Make these suckas explain why Janine and Janet were not released along with Debbie! For everyone that has signed a petition, sent an email, made a phone call, written a letter, marched or however you raised protest over this unjust wrong imprisonment of The Move 9, I'm urging you to increase your righteous activities! Celebrate the release of Debbie, but understand that this system has never done anything with or to MOVE out a sense of Justice, Fairness, or for right reasons! We are not gonna spend a lotta mental energy trying to figure out what these demons are up to. Rather the Remaining MOVE 9 pledge to stay committed and resolute in walking the revolutionary path that will lead to freedom for all political prisoners, will free the earth of pollution, stop the abuse of animal life, and eliminate this diseased oppressive system once and for all!!!

Do not let these system demons appease your righteous indignation behind the release of Debbie! Let em know you resent and rebuke this half ass measure. Tell them you want all The Move 9 released RIGHT NOW !!!!

ONA MOVE In Solidarity, Delbert Africa, Minister Of Defense THE MOVE ORGANIZATION LONG LIVE JOHN

AFRICA'S REVOLUTION !!!” <https://moorbey.wordpress.com/2018/06/23/delbert-africa-statement-for-6-19-2018-debbie-africa-press-conference/>

Family/Community/Supporters: News & Calls for Action

-“A Bittersweet Victory”: MOVE Member Debbie Sims Africa on Being Released After 39 Years in Prison

June 27, 2018 - BY Emily Abendroth

Debbie is the first of the MOVE 9 to be freed from prison. But her family is still locked up.

"Janine and Janet are still there and walking out of those doors without them was really, really hard. My husband is still in prison." On June 16, Debbie Sims Africa was released from a northwestern Pennsylvania prison after serving nearly four decades behind bars. Her family and friends were there waiting for her, ready to begin the seven-hour drive back to Philadelphia, a distance that had separated them for so many years.

Three days later, Debbie held her first official press conference seated alongside her son, Mike Africa Jr., and lawyer, Brad Thomson. Reflecting on the days since her release, Debbie observed on Tuesday, June 19, "I've been in prison almost forty years ... I still don't think I've actually caught up with my feelings."

Debbie is the first of nine MOVE members, collectively known as the "MOVE 9," to be freed from prison. She and eight others were imprisoned following a police siege of the MOVE communal home on August 8, 1978. The state repression of the MOVE organization in Philadelphia in the 1970s and 1980s was replicated throughout the country as Black activists involved in a wide variety of liberation and justice movements found themselves the targets of arrest, persecution and state violence..." Please see full article

at: <http://inthesetimes.com/article/21241/Debbie-Sims-Africa-Move-9-Pennsylvania-Prison-Philadelphia-Black-Liberation>

-Action Alert – PA Parole Board Must Grant Janet and Janine Africa Parole

Take action Monday, June 25th - Wednesday, June 27th

Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole: 717-787-5699

Send Email message: ra-pbpopc@pa.gov

On Saturday, June 16, MOVE member Debbie Africa was released on parole from State Correctional Institution (SCI) Cambridge Springs after 39 years and 10 months of incarceration. Fellow MOVE members Janet and Janine Africa, however, were denied parole despite having virtually identical Department of Corrections records as Debbie., Janet, Janine, and Debbie all:

- Have gone more than 20 years without a misconduct for any rule violation
- Were recommended for parole by the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections
- Were recommended for parole by former PA DOC Secretary Martin Horn
- Were recommended for parole by the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office
- It is beyond dispute that Debbie, Janet and Janine present zero threat to public safety

The Parole Board has denied them the opportunity to return home based on unlawful factors. Claiming the two minimized the offense and did not express remorse, the Board ignored the only relevant assessment under Pennsylvania law: that the two do not present a threat to public safety. The Parole Board also lied, claiming that Janet and Janine received the negative recommendation of the prosecuting attorney, when in truth Philadelphia's District Attorney, Larry Krasner, recommended all three women – Debbie, Janet, and Janine – for parole, his office stating that it "was "confident" that Janet and Janine "will not pose a threat to the Philadelphia community" and that their "continued incarceration does not make our city safer."

Take Action – Call the Pennsylvania Board of Pardons and Parole Chairman Leo Dunn:

Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole: 717-787-5699 – Ask for Chairman Leo Dunn's office

Send Email message: ra-pbpopc@pa.gov

Talking Points:

- Janet and Janine have not had any rule violation in more than 20 years
- Each has the support of the DOC, former DOC Secretary and nationally-renowned corrections expert Martin Horn, and the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office
- Janet and Janine do not present a threat to public safety and should be released just like Debbie
- The Board must stop making political decisions in the MOVE cases: when judged on their record in the DOC and community support Janet and Janine have a right to be released

Demand: - That Leo Dunn agree to have the Board reconsider its denial - Grant Janet and Janine Africa release on parole Freedom Archives 522 Valencia Street San Francisco, CA 94110 415 863.9977
<https://freedomarchives.org/>

-Dr. Mutulu Shakur-Night of Resistance (Utah State University Students) Mutulu Shakur , Assata, Afeni Shakur Haki Kweli Shakur and More Also check out the full Event by tapping link in Description Box of Video! Haki Kweli Shakur Published on Mar 15, 2018 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z9n_1cXs4N8
<https://newafrikan77.wordpress.com/2018/06/26/dr-mutulu-shakur-truth-reconciliation/>

-Four calls to mobilize for Palestine

<http://samidoun.net/2018/06/palestinian-women-in-gaza-call-for-solidarity-as-they-march-to-break-the-siege/>

<http://samidoun.net/2018/06/take-action-to-free-khalida-jarrar-june-30-july-2-organize-for-freedom/>

<http://mondoweiss.net/2018/06/posters-return-heroes/>

<https://palsolidarity.org/2018/06/summer-of-return-2018/>

-Palestinian women in Gaza call for solidarity as they march to break the siege on July 3

On July 3rd, the women of Gaza will be marching for their rights against Israeli violence and oppression. They are asking for women's groups and everyone to take solidarity actions in support. Since many supporters may not be able to organize an event, we've created a downloadable flyer that you can print out and post in your home or car window and distribute widely -- perhaps at today's events!

Please go to our blog post about this, where you can download the flyer.

<https://israelpalestinenews.org/palestinian-women-in-gaza-call-for-solidarity-as-they-march-to-break-the-siege-on-july-3/>

I support the Gaza Women's March! July 3, 2018



-Urgent Action: Protest to free Khalida Jarrar and stop administrative detention-23 June, New York

Take action: Sign the petition now – bit.ly/FreeKhalidaJarrar

"According to Palestinian news reports, the administrative detention order against Palestinian leader, parliamentarian, feminist and leftist Khalida Jarrar was renewed late on Thursday, June 14, two weeks before

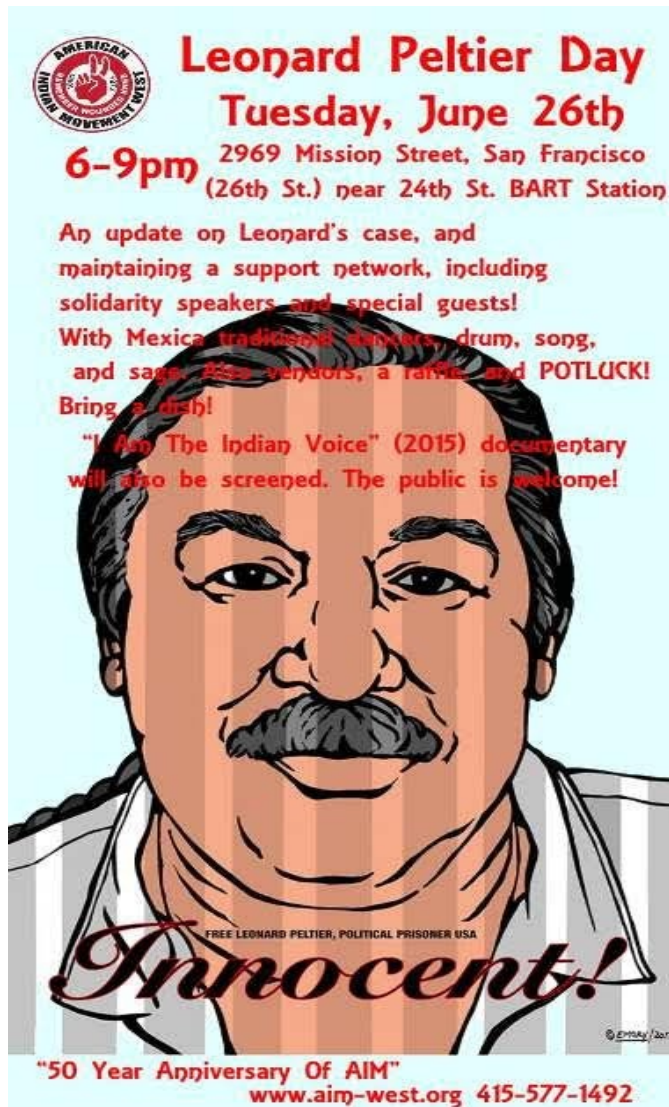
she was scheduled to be released after a year of imprisonment without charge or trial. She was seized by Israeli occupation forces who invaded her family's home in El-Bireh on July 2, 2017, only a year after her release from a prior term of political imprisonment."

"On 14 June 2018, we received word that Khalida Jarrar's administrative detention order would be renewed for an additional four months. This news is heartbreaking and devastating, but not out of the ordinary. Her confirmation hearing will be held on Monday 2 July 2018. The new order is to extend her detainment by a further four months, meaning that it would expire at the end of October 2018.

This would mean that Khalida had been held in prison, without charge or trial, for 16 months".

As we previously have said, Khalida is a fearless human rights defender who has committed herself to utilize all the legal tools available to realize the basic rights of the Palestinian people. " Please see full article at: <http://www.addameer.org/news/urgent-action-help-free-plc-member-khalida-jarar>

-Leonard Peltier Day Potluck & Film, June 26th -Answer Coalition



AMERICAN INDIAN MOVEMENT WEST

Leonard Peltier Day

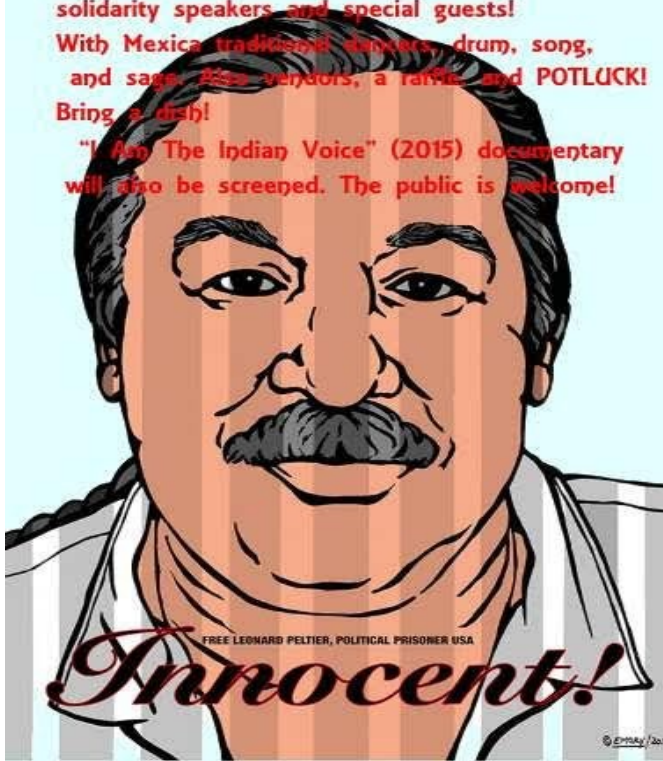
Tuesday, June 26th

6-9pm 2969 Mission Street, San Francisco
(26th St.) near 24th St. BART Station

An update on Leonard's case, and maintaining a support network, including solidarity speakers and special guests!

With Mexican traditional *sonora* drum, song, and song *San* vendors, a *raita* and **POTLUCK!**
Bring a dish!

"I Am The Indian Voice" (2015) documentary will also be screened. The public is welcome!



FREE LEONARD PELTIER, POLITICAL PRISONER USA

Innocent!

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"50 Year Anniversary Of AIM"
www.aim-west.org 415-577-1492

-Court Update: Three Water Protectors Found Not Guilty – Eight More Have Charges Dismissed June 27, 2018 "Eight Water Protectors have had all charges dismissed because their cases were substantially the same as three who went to trial and were acquitted last week. All 11 were accused of obstructing law enforcement's efforts to clear the Oceti Sakowin camp on February 23, 2017, pursuant to Governor Burgum's executive order declaring the camp hazardous to people and the environment." Please see full article at: <https://waterprotectorlegal.org/court-update-three-water-protectors-found-not-guilty-eight-more-have-charges-dismissed/>

-Protest to free Khalida Jarrar and end the siege of Gaza. Saturday, June 30 5:00 pm

Friends of the IDF 1430 Broadway at West 40th Street New York, NY

Take action: Sign the petition now – bit.ly/FreeKhalidaJarrar

"On Monday, July 2, Khalida Jarrar, a Palestinian Legislative Council member, human rights defender, feminist and leftist leader, faces the renewal of an "administrative detention" order Israeli occupation forces will have already used to imprison her, without charge or trial, for a year.

Along with Samidoun, Addameer Prisoner Support and Human Rights Association and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine have called for urgent mobilizations ahead of the occupation military court's hearing. International days of action are planned from June 30 - July 2.

The following day, Tuesday, July 3, women in the Gaza Strip will march to demand an end to Israel's brutal 12-year siege of the Palestinian enclave. The High Committee of the Great March of Return has called for supporters to mobilize internationally in solidarity with them. Stand with Khalida to demand that Israel release her, 500 other "administrative detainees" and all 6,500 Palestinian political prisoners, and with thousands of Palestinian women defying Israel's ruthless policies of ethnic cleansing, collective punishment and mass murder. Protest the "Friends of the IDF's" support for Israeli war crimes and join the global campaign to demand a comprehensive military embargo on Israel now. Support the Palestinian national, prisoners' and BDS movements, the Palestinian Resistance, Palestine's Great March of Return, and the liberation of Palestine, from the river to the sea." <http://samidoun.net/2018/06/june-30-nyc-protest-to-free-khalida-jarrar-and-end-the-siege-of-gaza/>



-New York's Democratic governor has granted only a trickle of commutations, fewer than many of his Democratic and Republican predecessors. "In 2015, New York's governor, Andrew Cuomo, announced the creation of an Executive Clemency Bureau to identify people in the state's prison system who might be worthy of commutation. The announcement sparked hope among the system's approximately 50,000 prisoners, their families, and advocates that they might soon rejoin their families.

Clemencies can take two forms. There's a commutation, or the shortening of a person's prison sentence, which allows an incarcerated person an earlier parole hearing or an immediate release. The other form is a pardon, which expunges a person's criminal conviction altogether (which governors have used to prevent people from being deported). Governors have the power to issue an unlimited number of clemencies. What does being worthy of commutation entail? According to Cuomo's criteria, an applicant must prove that he or she has "has made exceptional strides in self-development and improvement; has made responsible use of available rehabilitative programs; has addressed identified treatment needs; and the commutation is in the interest of justice, consistent with public safety and the rehabilitation of the applicant." Please see full article at: <https://theappeal.org/cuomo-the-merciless/>

-International Torture Day June 26, 2018

As the United Nations and the world commemorate the International Day in Support of Victims of Torture on 26 June 2018, Addameer stands in solidarity with Palestinian prisoners who have suffered the devastating effects of torture and ill-treatment and unequivocally condemns all forms of such treatment occurring in Israeli prisons, interrogation facilities, and detention centers.

The right to be free from torture is a fundamental and non-derogable right, guaranteed to all human beings, regardless of detention status. As a state-party to the most essential conventions and treaties protecting this right, including the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and especially, the United Nations Convention Against Torture,[1] Israel is under an unquestionable international legal obligation to ensure that all prisoners are free from torture, and cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment.[2] Furthermore, under IHL torture is considered a war crime and can amount to a crime against humanity if it is widespread and implemented systematically."Please see full article at: <http://www.addameer.org/news/international-torture-day>

-A Tribute to the Martyrs of the Chican@ Movement, June 29th

"Following the film Eric Mann will host a conversation with filmmaker Clude Marks from The Freedom Archives, Channing Martinez, Elmo Gomez, and Brigette Amaya from the Strategy Center. Symbols of Resistance illuminates the untold stories of the Chican@ Movement with a focus on Colorado and Northern New Mexico. This film engages the importance of student activism; the effect of police repression and how issues of identity, land and community still resonate in the Chican@ struggles of today.

Claude Marks is a former anti-imperialist political prisoner and is the Project Director of The Freedom Archives, a political, cultural oral history project, restoration center, and media production facility in San Francisco. Under his direction, The Freedom Archives has released several recent documentaries combining restored historical materials and contemporary interviews.

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<https://strategycenter.ourpowerbase.net/civicism/event/info?reset=1&id=329>

-End Family Separation - Rally & March-June 30th

"There will also be a White Coats Contingent of medical professionals organized by several progressive doctors' groups, including Physicians for a National Health Program]

On June 30, New Yorkers will join together with dozens of other cities in a National Day of Action to Fight for Families and to demand that Donald Trump and his administration stop separating kids from their parents! Families belong together, and we need to end this — NOW!

Every day, this administration threatens the very future of our communities. The conditions these children are being subjected to is deplorable and un-American. We hope to see thousands of people in the streets and at the border on June 30th demanding this policy end!

All New Yorkers are encouraged to attend! Families and children and are welcome on Saturday, 6/30. This will be a permitted event. Details are currently being finalized, so please be patient with the organizing team. Tentatively: We will be meeting at Foley Square and marching across the Brooklyn Bridge to Cadman Plaza. " To join the NYC organizing efforts for this action, please fill out this form: <http://bit.ly/SupportJune30NYC>

-Harlem Freedom march for the Puerto Rican Political Prisoners July 21st

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HARLEM FREEDOM MARCH FOR ANA AND NINA!

FREE THE PUERTO RICAN POLITICAL PRISONERS!



WE FREED OSCAR LOPEZ RIVERA BECAUSE WE TOOK HIS IMAGE AND STORY TO THE STREETS!



WE MUST DO THE SAME FOR ANA BELEN MONTES AND NINA DROZ FRANCO!



Join the ProLibertad Freedom Campaign as we march through Harlem calling for the release of our Puerto Rican Political Prisoners/Prisoner of Consciences.

Join us as we denounce PROMESA/The Fiscal Control Board; demand reparations and hurricane relief; and call for an end to U.S. colonialism in Puerto Rico!



**Saturday, July 21, 2018 at 1pm-2pm
Meet at W. 125th St. and St. Nicholas Avenue. We will be marching to E. 125th St. and Lexington Avenue.**

Take the A, B, C, and D to W. 125th and St. Nicholas Ave.

Bring your flags, banners, placards, signs, and noise makers!



The ProLibertad Freedom Campaign

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--Ex-CIA Interrogator Trains ICE Agents in 'Counterterrorism' as They Terrorize Immigrants

"US Immigration and Customs Enforcement pays a private security firm run by former top CIA interrogator Barry McManus to train ICE agents in intelligence and "counterterrorism." TRNN's Ben Norton speaks with investigative journalist Ken Klippenstein". Please see: <https://therealnews.com/stories/ex-cia-interrogator-trains-ice-agents-in-counterterrorism-as-they-terrorize-immigrants>

-Leonard Peltier

Twitter Campaign

Dear Family, Friends and Supporters;

Leonard has been in a lockdown situation for approximately 20 days, and that is too long for his legal team to be excluded from discussing important issues with him. We applied for a special legal visit last Tuesday 6/5/18. We were notified Friday to contact his counselor on Monday for a visit sometime next week.

While we are waiting for our visit, I wanted to let you know that all your e-mails asking us to start a campaign to President Trump have not fallen on deaf ears. Before the lockdown we talked to Leonard and he was pleased that so many of you felt the same way he did. Leonard said, "Have my supporters ask in a respectful way for President Trump to let me go home, Clemency is what my friends and supporters need to ask for!"

We have been working so everyone can be on the same page and here is the first part of our campaign; we want everyone with Twitter accounts to join us. Letter writing and post cards will follow, but they take more time and a little more money. If you would like to receive a group of 20 post card to hand out & sign, send your name and address to: ILPDC 116 W. Osborne Ave, Tampa FL. 33603 and I will send them as soon as I get them from the printer. If you live in or around the Tampa, FL. area and would like to help in the office, call me at 218-790-7667.

We have come up with a few Tweets and would like for all of you to follow us on @Peltierhq and @Leonardpeltier and then use your own Twitter account to reach out to all your followers so that we'll be able to reach thousands of people daily with all our messages to bring Leonard home.

@POTUS Time is right to send Leonard Peltier home to his family!

@POTUS Free Leonard Peltier! End FBI double standard

@POTUS Free Leonard Peltier! End FBI misconduct

@POTUS Free Leonard Peltier FBI's scapegoat!

@POTUS Free Leonard Peltier and Stand with the people

@POTUS Compassion starts with Freeing Leonard Peltier!

@POTUS FBI not above the law, Free Leonard Peltier!

@POTUS Free Leonard Peltier, Justice is for everyone!

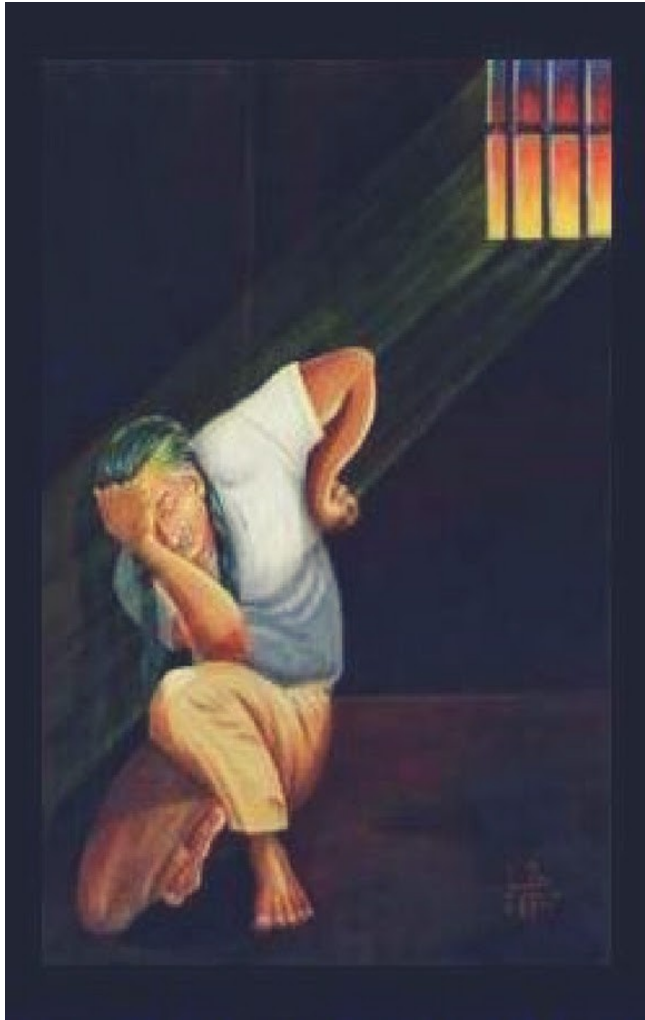
We will have a Twitter Blast every Wednesday from 6 a.m. your time to 6 p.m. your time, in this way we will have the supporters throughout the world keeping the Tweet alive. The office will post and send out information on our FB page. If you have other tweets that you think appropriate, send them to the office so they can be included. contact@whoisleonardpeltier.info

Another issue that is very unsettling for Leonard is the new regulations regarding Colored writing paper & envelopes. Many of you have sent Leonard letters that were sent in colored envelopes and beautiful writing paper with colored designs. Regretfully, they are not being given to Leonard but sent to the office, or returned to the supporter. This also includes colored pencil/crayon drawings as well as post cards and letters with no return address. ALL letters/card & post cards need to have your return address or they will be sent to the office or destroyed. So, if you want Leonard to receive your mail you must use white paper and envelopes.

I want to thank you for all your wonderful support, donations, and let you know that my co-director Kari Ann is responsible for those beautiful new ads. In the next few days, we'll be sending out more information on the clemency campaign and how you can become involved. Be sure you're on the lookout!

In Solidarity,
Paulette

Write Leonard a Letter



Letters For Leonard

USP Coleman I has been on lockdown for approximately 27 days. Leonard Peltier is completely isolated from the world and has only letters to help him through each day.

So please write Leonard today! Cheer him up, let him know what is happening in your corner of the world.

LEONARD PELTIER
#89637-132
USP COLEMAN I
P.O. BOX 1033
COLEMAN, FL 33521

Remember all letters must be on white paper and sent in a white envelope only. Make sure you write your address on the envelope.

We appreciate your continued support.

In the Spirit Of Crazy Horse,
The ILPDC Team

-Ona Move: Afternoon Of Resistance For The Move 9 -by Orie Lumumba

"August 8th 2018 will mark Forty Years Since The Move 9 have been unjustly imprisoned for a crime the entire world knows they did not commit . From the day They were arrested on August 8th 1978 , During Their Trial, The Day After they were each sentenced to 30-100 years , During the Ten years of the parole process , and The 40 years of being unjustly imprisoned MOVE has always maintained their innocence and their innocence has always shown during this whole Forty Year Period .The reason that they have remained in prison all these years is the same reason why they went to prison in the first place because they are committed MOVE members . On March 13th 1998 Merle Africa died in Pennsylvania Prisons under mysterious circumstances after being unjustly jailed for Twenty Years . On January 10th 2015 Phil Africa died under Mysterious circumstances in Pennsylvania Prisons After spending 30 plus years unjustly jailed . Rather than grant parole or release MOVE this system and it's officials will rather see MOVE die in prison . While Pennsylvania makes strides in repairing the issue of mass incarceration one of the biggest taints in Pennsylvania's history of mass incarceration and injustice has not been repaired and that is the issue of The Move 9 as it relates to their release from imprisonment .

The Parole Board has pushed the issue of remorse being shown but the question that we want to ask is has The Parole Board shown any remorse to the children and grandchildren of The Move 9? The Fact that Several of The Move 9 have Grandchildren Some even Great Grandchildren that they have only been with on a prison visit is

heart wrenching . Where is the remorse from The Parole Board over the fact that children were torn from their parents arms Forty Years ago and forced to have a relationship with their parents only through Phone Calls, Letters , and Occasional visits which May have lasted only three hours .

On August 5th 2018 we are asking people to join us for an Afternoon Of Resistance For The Move 9 . First At 10:00am join us for Running Down The Walls a 5k run organized for The Move 9 by our Brothers And Sisters From The Philadelphia Anarchist Black Cross that will take place at Fairmount Park . To register for The run people can go to <https://phillyabc.wordpress.com/rdtw/>. Then at 3:00pm join us at The Mastery Shoemaker High School located 5301 Media Street for An Afternoon Panel On MOVE that will feature Ramona Africa, Pam Africa ,Professor Walter Palmer , Karen Falcon and others .

Then Later that evening at the same venue we will be holding our Framed In America Concert as acts are still being confirmed so far we have The Raw Life Crew , Dell P , Seraiah Nicole and Eli Capella , Jasiri X and a surprise Headliner . We look forward to seeing everyone on August 5th . Also at this time we are still encouraging people to sign our petition aimed at The United States Justice Department at

<https://www.causes.com/campaigns/92454-free-the-move-9>. “ ONA MOVE ORIE For More Info:

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Twitter@OnaMove

Instagram@The Move Organization

-Urgent Action: Help Free Human Rights Defender Khalida Jarar 11 June 2018

“Khalida Jarrar has been imprisoned since 2 July 2017 without charge or trial. Her administrative detention order runs the risk of being renewed on 30 June 2018.

As an administrative detainee, she has not been made privy to the information used to deny her of her freedom, and thus has not had a genuine chance to refute claims made against her. Such a situation represents a core of the occupation’s system of control. If you are a powerful and committed advocate for the human rights of the Palestinian people, then you are likely to lose your freedom in your struggle for basic dignity. Khalida has worked tirelessly over her career as an advocate for the Palestinian prisoners, and for the rights of women. Following her time as the Director of Addameer, she was elected to the Palestinian Legislative Council (PLC) in 2006. Her roles as a PLC member included heading the Prisoners’ Commission and was a member of the Palestinian National Committee for the follow up with International Criminal Court (ICC). As part of her work, she was instrumental in facilitating the Palestinian ascension to the Rome Statute. As a result of her work, she has been denied permission to travel multiple times and was expelled to Jericho in 2014.

Khalida has been held in Administrative Detention on a separate occasion in 2015, prior to being sentenced to 15 months imprisonment by an Israeli Military Court. Following international pressure, she was released in June 2016. Since July 2017, she has had her administrative detention renewed once. For more details on her case, please see her prisoner profile and to learn more about her teaching international law to female prisoners while incarcerated, check here.

With this call for action and support, we hope to place pressure on the occupation to not renew her administrative detention order again. Her imprisonment represents a grave violation of international law and the international community must not stand silent in the face of such action. There are very few times where there is a possibility of us having a genuine impact, but this is one of them. Khalida has committed her life to realizing basic Palestinian dignity through utilizing the international legal framework. For all of us who believe in justice, it is incumbent upon us to do all that we can to ensure her freedom.

As such, we call on all supporters to contact the key decision makers located below. Urge them to abide by international law, and release Khalida Jarrar. TAKE ACTION:

1. Organize a protest, demonstration, speaking event or banner drop in your city, community or campus calling for freedom for Khalida Jarrar and her fellow Palestinian prisoners.
2. Write to Israeli officials to demand Khalida Jarrar’s release.

Sample Letter and Contact information:

Dear __,

I write today to demand the immediate release of the Palestinian Legislative Council member Khalida Jarrar, who has been under administrative detention since June 2017.

Khalida Jarrar has been imprisoned since 2 July 2017 without charge or trial. Her administrative detention order runs the risk of being renewed on 30 June 2018. Khalida has been held in Administrative Detention on a

separate occasion in 2015, prior to being sentenced to 15 months imprisonment by an Israeli Military Court. Following international pressure, she was released in June 2016. Since July 2017, she has had her administrative detention renewed once.

I demand the immediate release of Khalida Jarrar and an end to the administrative detention policy which is on the basis of so-called secret information. This is an attempt to prevent PLC members and human rights advocates, such as Khalida Jarrar, from dedicating their lives to achieving basic dignity for Palestinians. Her continued detention is arbitrary and unjust, and I demand her immediate freedom.

Sincerely, _____

Minister of Defence-Avigdor Liberman, 37 Kaplan Street, Hakiryra, Tel Aviv 61909, Israel

Fax: +972 73 323 3300, Email: minister@mod.gov.il Email: pniot@mod.gov.il

Salutation: Dear Minister-Attorney General, Avichai Mendelbilt, Ministry of Justice

29 Salah al-Din Street, Jerusalem 91010, Israel

Fax: +972 2 530 3367 Email: ishkat-yoetz@justice.gov.il

Military Judge Advocate General, Brigadier General Sharon Afek, Hakiryra, Tel Aviv, Israel

Fax: +972 3 569 4526 Email: Mag@idf.gov.il

Commander of the IOF – West Bank, Major-General Roni Numa, GOC Central Command

Military Post 01149, Battalion 877, Israel Defense Forces, Israel, Fax: +972 2 530 5741, +972 2 530 5724

Salutation: Dear Major-General Roni Numa

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Prime Minister's Office, Jerusalem, 3 Kaplan St. Hakiryra, 91950

Fax: +972-2-649665, Email: bnetanyahu@KNESSET.GOV.IL

Please see call for action at: <http://www.addameer.org/news/urgent-action-help-free-human-rights-defender-khalida-jarar> “

-RAPP/CA Panel on Medical Parole: “THURSDAY, June 7, 2018, 3:00-5:00 pm • Approaches to Medical Parole Across the US, with special focus on New York State • Pace University, 3 Spruce Street, CIVIC W612, New York, NY 10038 • sponsored by the Correctional Association of NY • with speakers from RAPP and the Correctional Association • Details and RSVP (Copied from RAPPCampaign.com/events - so you can go to that page for the links)”

-International Day of Al-Quds: “DEMONSTRATION IN SUPPORT OF PALESTINE, UNITED AGAINST ZIONISM
“On International Day of Quds, people of conscience gather to express solidarity with all the oppressed human beings of the world and particularly the innocent civilians of Palestine who are victimized by the oppressive and racist Zionist regime. We invite all peace loving people to voice their opposition to the unjust and illegal occupation of the great Al-Aqsa Mosque and the usurpation of the Holy Land by the Zionist regime. In addition, we will also protest the current Saudi aggression in Yemen. Symbolic Funeral Procession to the Israeli Consulate. “ Friday, June 8, 4pm-Times Square, Corner of 42nd St. and Broadway.”

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Al Quds Day Iftar

Join WOL, a Palestinian-led organization for a community iftar where we celebrate the ongoing right to resist until liberation, return, and victory through discussions, dabke, and more! Food will be provided by WOL.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8TH | 7:30PM
147 WEST 24TH ST
INTERNATIONAL ACTION CENTER

SLIDING SCALE DONATION AT DOOR \$20 | \$15 | \$10
No one will be turned away!
contact us at wolpalestine@gmail.com

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-Tell the FBI: Drop the racist Black Identity Extremist classification: “There is no room for people who fight for racial justice under Donald Trump's white supremacist regime. His deportation force is targeting Latinx organizers. He demonizes NFL players who protest police violence against Black people. And his FBI, under the leadership of bigoted Attorney General Jeff Sessions, has created a category of domestic threat, Black Identity Extremist (BIE), specifically to undermine the Black Lives Matter movement. BIE is a dangerous classification that the agency invented to paint activists who are exposing state sanctioned violence against Black communities as violent terrorists.¹ It opens the door for the FBI to use a range of tactics to surveil people or groups it believes fits its own phony classification. We cannot sit by while the FBI tries to undermine a movement for racial justice and violate Black activists' First Amendment rights by positioning them as enemies of the state. Speak out now to demand that the FBI drop the racist BIE classification. **[Tell the FBI: Stop targeting Black activists. Drop the racist Black Identity Extremist classification immediately. Click here to sign the petition.](#)** Despite the civil rights gains of the last century, we live in a time when police can terrorize, assault and murder Black people with impunity. In 2014, a St. Louis grand jury filed no criminal charges against the police officer who murdered Mike Brown.² In 2017, a Minnesota jury acquitted the police officer who shot and killed Philando Castile.³ This year, Louisiana's attorney general announced that the state would not charge the two police officers who brutally murdered Alton Sterling with any crimes.⁴ There are countless more examples of this kind of injustice. Black Lives Matter activists have succeeded in bringing global attention to these racist police killings and the broken criminal justice system that allows these murderers to walk free, which is exactly why the racist Trump administration is trying to stop them. The FBI's BIE classification is similar to destabilization tactics that the agency has used before. Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X and members of the Black Panther Party were surveilled and harassed by the FBI through its covert COINTELPRO program designed to infiltrate, discredit and break apart Black liberation movements in the 1950s, '60s and '70s.⁵ Now, the FBI is using the same old dirty tricks to subvert the Black Lives Matter movement. Recent reports even indicate that a Texas activist, Rakem Balogun, who was monitored, jailed for five months and then released, may have been the first person publicly targeted under the BIE designation.⁶ We cannot let Trump's white supremacist regime attack Black activists. Can you add your name today to tell the FBI to drop the racist Black Identity Extremist classification and stop targeting and surveilling Black activists now? Click the link below to sign the petition” . https://act.credoaction.com/sign/fbi_no_bie?t=7&akid=28885%2E6295681%2EJK_bq-

-‘Why Ahed slapped the soldier’ –an interview with Bassem Tamimi

"This interview with Bassem Tamimi was recorded on May 4, 2018 in the occupied village of Nabi Saleh, by International Solidarity Movement activists.

His daughter Ahed Tamimi, 17, is serving an eight-month prison sentence for slapping an Israeli soldier on the family's property on December 15 of last year, after Israeli soldiers shot her cousin in the face.

Bassem reflects on his daughter's choice:

I think more than 300 times they raided inside my house... They took my electronic devices several times. They broke the windows several times. They shot most of my children several times. My son was arrested two times. My wife was arrested five times. I was arrested nine times. I was tortured and be paralyzed for a period of time. My wife was shot in her leg, two years she couldn't walk. My home is under a demolition order.

After all of that somebody asked, why Ahed slapped a soldier? **She must slap the soldier.**

Sometimes I feel there is a triple standard or more than in dealing with the Palestinian issue.

Also check out Tamimi's comments on the two-state solution (a project of the Israeli left, and the Israeli left has disappeared) and the heart of the issue: a colonization project. Till the colonization project ends, the Palestinian resistance will not cease. And notice at the beginning when he shows visitors the surveillance balloon over Nabi Saleh.

You see that balloon watching us? It's a camera for watching everything.”

See Video At: <http://mondoweiss.net/2018/06/slapped-soldier-interview/>

-A Conversation with the film-maker Claude Marks, Eric Mann, Channing Martinez, Elmo Gomez, and Brigitte Amaya -from The Strategy Center -Strategy & Soul Theater, 3546 W Martin Luther Kings Blvd. Los Angeles CA 90008 June 29th 2018 @6pm Suggested Donation \$10.00

“Join us on June 29th for a Film showing of Symbols of Resistance: A Tribute to the Martyrs of the Chican@ Movement. Following the film Eric Mann will host a conversation with filmmaker Clude Marks from The Freedom Archives, Channing Martinez, Elmo Gomez, and Brigitte Amaya from the Strategy Center.

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-Georges Ibrahim Abdallah: “He is part of our struggles and we are part of his fight!” 6 June 2018 “The following interview was conducted by, written by and published originally in French on the website of the Chronique de Palestine. We thank the editors of Chronique de Palestine for the English translation, which we publish today below. Samidoun encourages all supporters of Palestine and Palestinian political prisoners to join the national demonstration on 23 June in Paris to demand freedom for Georges Abdallah, imprisoned for over 33 years in French prisons. After briefly presenting Georges Abdallah’s case, The Palestine Chronicle interviews a representative of the Collective for the release of Georges Ibrahim Abdallah (CLGIA). Please see article at: <http://samidoun.net/2018/06/georges-ibrahim-abdallah-he-is-part-of-our-struggles-and-we-are-part-of-his-fight/> Freedom Archives 522 Valencia Street San Francisco, CA 94110 415 863.9977 <https://freedomarchives.org/>

-After 47 Years Behind Bars, Will Jalil Muntaqim Go Free? by Messiah Rhodes Jun 4

“It all started the night of May 21, 1971. Two police officers, Waverly Jones and Joseph Piagentini, were fired upon while walking to their patrol car at a housing project near the Macombs Dam Bridge in Harlem. Jones died instantly from a gunshot to his head. Piagentini, who was shot 13 times, died en route to the hospital. Today nothing marks the location of the shooting, but in the 1970s, it was among a string of cop killings that garnered the attention of J. Edgar Hoover and even President Richard Nixon, who told his FBI director “not to pull any punches” in going after the black militants believed responsible. Working with the NYPD, the FBI launched operation NEWKILL, casting a nationwide dragnet to track down members of the Black Panther Party’s paramilitary offshoot, the Black Liberation Army (BLA), which had issued statements claiming responsibility for the deaths of Jones, Piagentini and other officers in their war against the United States government...

“Please see full article at : <https://indypendent.org/2018/06/after-47-years-behind-bars-will-jalil-muntaqim-go-free/>

-The National Jericho Movement: Is seeking volunteer doctors, nurses and other qualified medical professionals to assist our Political Prisoners with health needs. Time invested is usually a few hours a month and the rewards of assisting our freedom fighters is priceless. Please contact us at: www.thejerichomovement.com

-Rally at Governor Cuomo's Fundraiser "Monday, June 18 at 5 PM - 7 PM [768 5th Avenue, New York, NY 10019](#) Join The Release Aging People in Prison Campaign, the [#HALTsolitary](#) Campaign, JustLeadershipUSA, and other advocates, organizers and concerned New Yorkers on June 18th to demand freedom for people in New York State prisons and jails from Governor Cuomo. As Cuomo runs for a third term, we will call on him to dismantle the injustice system in New York State. Since taking over as Governor, Cuomo has done little to nothing to end money bail and transform NYS' pre-trial justice system, [#HALTsolitary](#) confinement, champion parole justice, and use his unilateral power to grant clemencies and commutations to people in prison. The jail and prison system in New York State traps and tortures people – disproportionately Black and Brown people – at every stage: Pretrial Incarceration: On any given day, over 25,000 New Yorkers are incarcerated in county jails. Nearly 70% are legally innocent – they have not been convicted, but remain caged because of New York's unjust bail, speedy trial and discovery laws. Unable to afford bail, working-class New Yorkers languish behind bars while their Constitutional rights to due process and a fair trial are consistently violated. Being incarcerated pretrial has devastating, intergenerational impacts on people and their families, and produces unjust case outcomes and coerced plea-deals. Solitary Confinement and Torture: Solitary confinement is torture. Being held 23 to 24 hours a day without any meaningful human contact or programs causes devastating harm, with no benefit to public safety. Yet, thousands of New Yorkers are in solitary each day and tens of thousands each year - disproportionately Black and Latinx people and including elders and those in poor health. While the United Nations prohibited solitary beyond 15 days because it otherwise amounts to torture and Colorado implemented a 15 day limit, New York has no time limit and people continue to regularly spend months, years, and even decades in solitary. Aging in Prison and Parole Injustice: People in New York State often spend decades and entire lifetimes in prison with no meaningful opportunity for release. Despite transformation and minimal risks to public safety, they are regularly denied parole and spend additional years and decades inside. This results in aging and death behind prison walls and the permanent fracturing of Black and Brown families and communities. New York warehouses more than 10,000 incarcerated elders, 9,500 people serving a parole-eligible life sentence, and will continue to do so unless serious action is taken. Clemencies and Commutations: If the Governor wanted to, he could grant clemencies and commutations to all 49,500 people in his 54 NYS prisons. Despite receiving hundreds of commutation petitions since 2011, Cuomo has only commuted 12 peoples' sentences. With [#CuomoMIA](#) on clemencies and commutations, we need a real leader in NYS who will use their executive power to free people from prison. No single change will adequately transform the New York Injustice System. We must unite in our demand for fundamental change that overhauls a system of mass incarceration from beginning to end. Join us." <https://www.facebook.com/events/1997978803784893/>

-RAPP Updates: "On June 5th, we took action for parole justice in New York City and Albany. We rallied outside Governor Cuomo's NYC Office and held a vigil and march outside the Parole Board's Albany headquarters to mourn the 961 people who died since Governor Cuomo took office. We also held speak-outs outside Governor Cuomo's Albany office and the NYS legislative chambers to demand real parole justice. Some of the day was captured in this Daily News story and in these pictures. In our final speak-out of the day, Assembly Member Weprin publicly stated that "we will get elder parole done in the Assembly this session." With only one week left in the state legislative session, we must do all that we can to ensure Assembly Member Weprin's words translate into action. Both elder parole and presumptive parole have passed the Correction Committee and are currently in the Codes Committee. We need to demand that both bills pass the Codes Committee and the entire Assembly this session. TAKE ACTION 1. CALL THE NYS ASSEMBLY NOW! Call Speaker Heastie and Assembly Member Lentol NOW and demand that they put our parole bills on the New York State Assembly floor for a vote. Call-in campaigns are effective and powerful. We know they work. Please take three minutes to make these calls.

Call NYS Assembly Speaker Heastie: 518-455-3791

Call NYS Assembly Member Lentol, Chair of the Codes Committee: 518-455-4477

"I am New Yorker and I urge the Assembly to pass presumptive parole, A.7546, and elder parole, A.6354A, before the end of this legislative session. Parole injustice denies thousands of people in prison a real

opportunity for release, ensures death in prison, and prevents New York from ending mass incarceration. We urge you to push these bills through the Codes Committee and the Assembly as a whole now."

2. Take Action at an Upcoming Fundraiser for Governor Cuomo, Monday, June 18th at The Plaza Hotel
Gov. Cuomo is having a fundraiser on Monday, June 18th at The Plaza Hotel, 768 Fifth Ave, New York, NY, and advocates from across issues will be chanting outside with signs, banners and t-shirts beginning at 5:00pm. See more details here, share widely and join us.

3. Write a Memo of Support for Presumptive and Elder Parole

As we near the end of the NYS legislative session, we are making one last push for our legislative initiatives, presumptive parole (S.8346/A.7546) and elder parole (S.8581/A.6354A). Both recently passed the Assembly Correction Committee, but sit in the Codes Committee and have yet to reach the Assembly floor. Please write a memo of support from your organization for the bills (see template here) by Thursday, June 14th at 12pm and send them to Dave George at ddgeorge23@gmail.com."

RELEASE AGING PEOPLE IN PRISON/RAPP COALITION MEETING

Join the movement to end the mass incarceration of older people in New York State

#FREE OUR ELDERS
#SUPPORT OUR ELDERS

WEDNESDAY, June 20TH AT 6PM
CORRECTIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NY
22 Cortlandt Street, 33rd Floor
New York, NY 10007

The meeting will begin with pizza & new member orientation (6pm-6:20pm)

For more info contact:
Dave George at (631) 885-3565

Visit rappcampaign.com
& email us at:
nyrappcampaign@gmail.com

-From Matt Meyer of Resistance in Brooklyn & Fellowship of Reconciliation

Please note the attached flyer for (and **HELP SPREAD the WORD** about) a special vigil to be held this coming Monday in New York city, with Oscar Lopez Rivera and many leaders of Puerto Rican civil society. As many of you know, every year the United Nations Committee on Decolonization holds hearings about the status of Puerto Rico. Two years ago, every person presenting testimony - independence activists, pro-statehood supporters, and those who favor the current "free associated state", from the island and the Diaspora - called for the release of Oscar. Last year, just months after his release, Oscar opened the hearings at the request of the UN itself, followed by a thunderous standing ovation. This year, Monday, June 18, 2018, will be no less historic. For the first time in Puerto Rican history, the three major political parties are issuing a joint statement to call for a process of true decolonization. Oscar will again be the premier speaker, and later in the afternoon he will lead a vigil (4:30-6:30, see attached flyer) which he is asking all of us to attend. **TIME IS SHORT** - so please send this out to all your list serves, organizational networks, social media, personal friend circles, etc. Help us show some rousing support for the united demands of the Puerto Rican people. [Note: for those out of town, this is sent as

an FYI and to solicit help in getting to your NY friends. Also, we are aware that this is a key Poor People's Campaign day of nonviolent civil disobedience. Please be aware that we are in contact with and supportive of the Campaign, who will likely send a message of support to the vigil at the UN]. Looking forward to seeing you all on Monday. La Lucha Continua, MattM

Matt Meyer, National Co-chair, Fellowship of Reconciliation; IFOR Financial Advisory Committee International Peace Research Association Executive Committee member and United Nations Main Representative (NGO/ECOSOC), War Resisters International Africa Support Network Coordinator PM Press, Africa World Press author and editor Senior Research Scholar, UMass Amherst Resistance Studies Initiative “umass.edu/resistancestudies/node/799”

June 18, 2018, 4:30-6:30pm
47th St. & 1st Avenue, Manhattan

Puerto Rico Demands Justice Vigil! with Oscar López Rivera

Join us and recently released Puerto Rican political prisoner Oscar López Rivera after the UN Decolonization Committee hearing.

Repeal PROMESA Act

- When PROMESA law passed in 2016, supporters claimed it would help pull Puerto Rico back from the brink of disaster.
- Instead, the law put an unelected Fiscal Control Board in control of Puerto Rico's economic future for decades to come.
- This Board has consistently favored big banks and millionaires, ahead of Puerto Rican people.
- After #HurricaneMaria, the Board's powers expanded to cover decisions on relief aid.
- Puerto Ricans should be able to determine how best to get their island home back on its feet – not a body that operates out of sight and without accountability to the people.

• A preliminary and partial audit of Puerto Rico's \$72 billion public debt found that as much as half of the debt was likely acquired illegally.

• Even before #HurricaneMaria, Puerto Rico's government was using the debt as a pretext to cut vital services, making life impossible for millions.

• After the storm, scarce resources must be dedicated to Puerto Rico's people, not to pay back Wall Street banks and millionaires.

• #ZeroDebt is necessary to give Puerto Ricans a clean slate for relief and rebuilding efforts.

cancel the debt

Just Recovery for PR

- The federal government has failed Puerto Rico.
- To date, Congress has not approved a comprehensive relief package to adequately address an estimated \$95 billion in damages.
- Adding insult to injury, in Feb, the US Treasury cut in half an approved \$4.7 billion disaster relief loan.
- Congress has the most power over what happens to Puerto Rico, and it must provide needed resources for a #JustRecovery.

• The Supreme Court ruled last year that Puerto Rico has no power over major aspects of its economy except for those granted by Congress.

• Coupled with Puerto Rico's lack of voting representation in DC, this means that those who live on the island are denied the control over their futures that any other US citizen living in the states has.

• Puerto Rico's status as a US colony hampers its people from imagining and building an economy that is fair to all.

Decolonization for PR

Sponsors (list in formation)
National Boricua Human Rights Network, Vamos4PR, Fellowship of Reconciliation, 32BJ SEIU, Hostos Unidos por Puerto Rico Committee, Puerto Rican Student Organization, A Call to Action for Puerto Rico, Nationalist Party of Puerto Rico-NY Junta, Union Theological Seminary, Latino Justice-PRLDEF

-Please support Leonard Peltier!

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DOLLAR SUNDAY

*We are asking All Supporters to Donate \$1 towards
Leonard Peltier's Freedom*

- ILPDC Members
- Family
- Friends
- Acquaintances

*Please Do It Now
\$1
Thank you
Enjoy Your Freedom!*

INTERNATIONAL
LEONARD PELTIER DEFENSE COMMITTEE

-ICE Detention Center Is Creating Obstacles to Ramadan Observance for Muslim Detainees, Lawyers Say Maryam Saleh- June 7 2018

"When an inmate at the Glades County Detention Center requests a Bible, the turnaround is about as rapid as one would expect, often with the chaplain's personal involvement. Ask for a copy of the Quran, and be prepared to wait. Thanks to an ill-fated airplane flight that made international news when it failed to deport 92 Somalis, the detention center has no shortage of Muslim occupants. The difficulty of getting a Quran is just one of many indignities being meted out by the prison brass and guards during the month of Ramadan, a time of heightened spiritual reflection during which Muslims abstain from food and water between sunrise and sunset..." Please read full article: at: <https://theintercept.com/2018/06/07/ice-immigration-detention-ramadan-religious-accomodation/>

-Free the Puerto Rican Political Prisoners! The ProLibertad Freedom Campaign
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<https://www.facebook.com/ProLibertadFC> <https://www.twitter.com/ProLibertad>
Telephone: 718-601-4751

Support our International Campaign to Free Ana Belen Montes:

<http://www.prolibertad.org/u-n-campaign-for-ana-belen>

Sign the petition to help Free Nina Droz Franco: <https://www.change.org/p/libertad-para-nina-droz-franco>

Repression Equals **RESISTANCE!**



Join The ProLibertad Freedom Campaign, Call to Action on Puerto Rico, and The Organization for Culture of Hispanic Origins (OCHO) for an afternoon of film, discussion, and letter writing!

For as long as Puerto Rico has been a U.S. colony, Activists, Independentistas, Students, and Working people have always been targets for repression by the U.S. government and its colonial puppets in San Juan. Join us we explore this history of repression and how our people have RESISTED!

Film/Program/Activity:

Gualterio Alomar and Jessica Lynn Alomar, Producer and Writer, of *Colonization is Extinction*:
In an effort to take responsibility for our role in teaching future generations, the idea for our documentary was born. The purpose of the film is to shine light on the current state of Puerto Rico, its governmental state, as well as key people involved in the struggle to improve Puerto Rico for its people.

Normahiram Perez, Call to Action on Puerto Rico.

Miriam Montes Mock, Mesa de Trabajo por Ana Belen Montes en Puerto Rico/Ana Belen Montes's cousin.

Benjamin Ramos, The ProLibertad Freedom Campaign

Letter Writing Session for Puerto Rican Political Prisoner Nina Droz Franco and Prisoner of Conscience Ana Belen Montes!

**Saturday, June 16th, 2018
at 2:00pm-4:30pm.**

**Holyrood Episcopal Church/
La Iglesia Santa Cruz
715 W. 179th St.**

*Take the A train to W. 175th St. or the
1 train to W. 181 St.*

Light refreshments will be provided.

*\$5-\$10 donation (No one will be turned
away due to lack of funds).*



The ProLibertad Freedom Campaign

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-New York Gang Prosecutions Use Conspiracy Charges to Criminalize Whole Communities by Alice Speri - June 7 2018. "Defendants in these kinds of cases, often from New York City's poorest neighborhoods, can't afford to hire attorneys. The conspiracy charges they face — in the Bronx case, under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, or RICO, a federal law passed in 1970 to combat the Mafia — are broad and hard to fight, because proving individuals "conspired" with others accused of crimes is easier for prosecutors than proving they committed that crime. Threatened with draconian sentences, almost all defendants in these situations agree to plea deals — usually getting years rather decades in prison, and scoring prosecutors dozens of easy convictions." Please read full article at: <https://theintercept.com/2018/06/07/rico-gang-prosecution-nyc/>

-NoDAPL Water Protector Sentenced to 36 Months by Federal Judge (May 30th)

NOTE: If you send these updates to Little Feather, he has been moved (having recently been sentenced to 36 months, less time served, in federal prison):

Michael "Little Feather" Giron
Burleigh County Detention Center
Post Office Box 2499
Bismarck, North Dakota 58502

"Michael "Little Feather" Giron was sentenced by Chief Judge Daniel Hovland to thirty six months for Civil Disorder charges stemming from the October 27th, 2016 defense of the Oceti Sakowin treaty camp during the #NoDAPL movement. The treaty camp, erected in the direct path of the Dakota Access Pipeline, was eventually evicted by State, Federal and Private police forces. Little Feather joined hundreds in defense of the camp and was charged by the federal government for his actions.

The sentencing marks the first of a series of defendants awaiting trial and sentencing from charges brought forward against them by the United States government. Little Feather, incarcerated since March 9, 2017, was originally charged with Use of Fire to Commit a Federal Felony Offense and Civil Disorder. Through a change of plea to a non-cooperating plea agreement on February 8th, 2018, the Use of Fire to Commit Federal Felony Offense was dropped. Chief Judge Daniel Hovland who presided over the trial told Little Feather "It seems as though you've turned things around in your life, sir...I commend you for that." Little Feather's wife Leoyla Cowboy said, "We are so grateful to finally be able to start counting the days until Little Feather will return home to his family and community and we appreciate all the amazing support we have received." 24 of 24 Little Feather has already served fifteen months that will count as time served. The federal sentencing comes as Red Fawn Fallis awaits sentencing on June 25th, 2018 and Michael "Rattler" Markus awaits sentencing on May 30th, 2018. Currently, Dion Ortiz and James "Angry Bird" White are preparing for federal trial. Brandon J Nastacio "Bravo One" and Brandon Aaron Miller-Castillo are also facing federal charges. The first federal sentencing comes alongside ongoing state-level trials. According to the Water Protector Legal Collective website, as of May 2 2018, there have been 835 state criminal cases connected to the #NoDAPL movement, of those: 328 have been dismissed, 24 acquitted at trial, 115 received a pretrial diversion, 127 have reached plea agreement and 16 have been convicted at trial." (nycabc)

-New York Gang Database Expanded by 70 Percent Under Mayor Bill de Blasio Alice Speri - June 11, 2018
"The New York Police Department has quietly expanded its gang database under Mayor Bill de Blasio, targeting tens of thousands of young people of color for increased surveillance even in the absence of criminal conduct. New Yorkers have been added to the NYPD gang database under de Blasio at a rate of 342 people per month, nearly three times the rate of the prior decade. That's despite both historically low crime levels and the fact that gang-motivated crime makes up less than 1 percent of all reported crime in New York City. New details about who the NYPD includes in the vast database were revealed in response to a public records request by CUNY School of Law professor Babe Howell, who shared the information with The Intercept. The data reveals that as of February 2018, there were 42,334 people in the database — a 70 percent increase since de Blasio took office in January 2014. Ninety-nine percent of those added over that four-year period were not white. The NYPD also maintains a database of "inactive" gang members that includes 2,706 people. Please see full article at: <https://theintercept.com/2018/06/11/new-york-gang-database-expanded-by-70-percent-under-mayor-bill-de-blasio/> "

-Running Down the Walls 2018: A Reportback

"If you weren't able to join us, but still want to support, donations can be made at paypal.me/nycabc
MORE:

Running Down the Walls (RDTW) 2018 was a success in building relationships, feeling the solidarity of running as our imprisoned comrades did the same, and raising funds for the ABCF Warchest and the Revolutionary Abolitionist Community Bail Fund which works to bail people out that are incarcerated at Riker's Island. We arrived early to claim our spot, hoping to stake our rightful claim to the commons that is (should be) Prospect Park. Unfortunately, due to the food circus we refuse to name that operates its melee disguised as an overpriced food truck parade, we were nudged out of our usual spot and forced to set up across the path. Originally surly with the hall monitor employed by the unnamed food circus who snitched on us, the consensus at the end of the day was that we enjoyed the new location.

The course was the same as last year, one single loop around the park which amounts to just about a 5K distance. Typically we start the run off by playing a recording by Jaan Laaman but because he was moved this year and could no longer send the recording, he instead submitted a handwritten statement that we read aloud along with solidarity statements from Hanif Bey, David Gilbert, and Eric King.

Although it was a bit cooler this year, participants admitted that they were relieved to save some sweat enduring the course. We had printed bib numbers for the participants. The flipside of the bib numbers had information about NYC ABC and guidelines for writing to prisoners, making it both a memento and a useful reminder to write to folks. We were thrilled to have three former political prisoners join us in biking, running, walking, eating, and hanging. It was lovely to have folks there from various groups that do political prisoner support including **NYC Jericho Movement**, the Certain Days: Freedom for Political Prisoners Calendar, the Northeast Political Prisoner Coalition, and Eric King Support Crew to name a few. Additionally we were happy to share space with folks from other local organizing groups including NYC Anarchist Book Fair, Black and Pink, Friends of the Island Academy, Rojava Solidarity NYC, The Base, the Revolutionary Abolitionist Movement, Metropolitan Anarchist Coordinating Council, Pop Gym, and Books through Bars, among others. Most folks had left by 6:00 pm and those who stayed did so to help clean up and transfer everything to the cars. So the event went as scheduled, almost to the minute. Knowing the history of the run and the imprisoned comrades with whom we ran in solidarity elevated Running Down the Walls 2018 to an even more inspiring level."

-Help Needed for Oso Blanco! "Oso Blanco got an infection a couple weeks ago and needs YOUR help, as prison officials are ignoring his painful condition. MORE: Prison officials thus far will not provide medical assistance. Oso Blanco has gone through four tubes of over the counter medicine that has done anything. He believes it is a staph infection (or even MRSA). The last time his support crew heard from him he said it was now an OPEN HOLE and bleeding. And he still couldn't get medical attention. Also they will not give him a medical release form so supporters can discuss it with medical personnel. Oso Blanco's small support team has been trying to help him by making calls and emails, but now they are very very worried about his health and are spreading the word further to help put pressure on them. If you don't like confrontation, then please email the addresses below or call regional. If you are cool getting into it with people at the prison then call there—they have been pretty rude to supporters, but they stay on the phone so let them have it! PHONE CALLS AND EMAILS DO MATTER. This has been proven time and time again to assist prisoners.

USP Victorville (where he is currently not receiving any help): 760.530.5000 (don't forget this is Pacific time zone) or email VIM/ExecAssistant@bop.gov Ms. Leen in medical is a major problem or ask to speak with the Assistant Warden of Programming. Oso Blanco has asked that supporters NOT speak with his counselor/unit manager. We are also pressuring the regional office: WXRO/ExecAssistant@bop.gov or call 209.956.9700"

-The National Jericho Movement: Is seeking volunteer doctors, nurses and other qualified medical professionals to assist our Political Prisoners with health needs. Time invested is usually a few hours a month and the rewards of assisting our freedom fighters is priceless. Please contact us at:

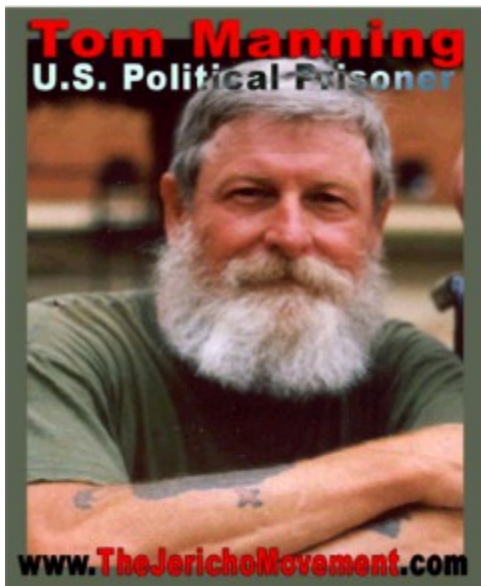
www.thejerichomovement.com

BIRTHDAYS IN JULY

(There are no Jericho PP/POW Birthday's in July)

Birthday's that were in June

(Please Send a Card, it's not too Late to Show you Care!)



Thomas Manning

Birthday: June 28, 1946

ANTI-IMPERIALIST POLITICAL PRISONER

Affiliation: ANTI-IMPERIALIST FREEDOM FIGHTER

Captured: 1985. Sentence: life.

Contact Information

Prison Address

#10373-016 USP Hazelton

P.O. Box 2000

Bruceton Mills, WV 26525

United States

“ The People must fight for their own system in all ways—one of those being armed clandestine struggle. We have a long way to go, but we are getting there. I am accused of being a part of the Sam Melville/Jonathan Jackson Unit in the 1970's and the United Freedom Front in the 1980s. I am proud of the association and all it implies”* <https://www.facebook.com/thomas.manning.315?fref=ts>

Jericho Movement's Current Work and Progress

National Jericho members are planning the yearly retreat. It will take place November 2nd-4th in Portland, Oregon. We are very excited to be doing a retreat on the west coast and we are currently working on logistics as well as an itinerary.

Jericho actively maintains direct connections with our political prisoner by visiting or writing them monthly. We also maintain contact with their families as available. We monitor health & legal status and provide support and intervention. We hold political education classes, table at events, give presentations, interviews and speak on Radio shows. We are actively involved in collaborating with and supporting other organizations and events which are in alignment with our missives and values to break down walls of injustice, racism, oppression and Free our Political Prisoners.

Jericho meetings occurred during the month of June across the nation. The campaign "In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela" met in NYC on June 2nd. The next meeting is July 14th. Strategies are being fine tuned and documents are created. Letters of invitation were sent out for query of interest.

-Monthly Reports from Jericho Chapters and Affiliates include (but not Limited to):

- Number of Prison Visits: 4
- Seth-medical support & family support
- Number of Food Packages Sent: 1
- We are involved with sending monthly money to Herman Bell, and may soon be doing same for Seth.
- Represented NYC Jericho in Albany on June 5th with RAPP, Parole Preparation Project, challenging Incarceration and others for a day demanding parole reform.
- Monthly Mandela meeting on June 2nd
- NYC Jericho participated in NYC ABC's running down the walls in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, on June 3rd and helped raise funds for the Anarchist War Chest, which raises money for our political prisoners.
- Tabled with NYC Free Peltier at the annual Anarchist Book Fair on June 9th at Judson Memorial Church.
- Distributed parole palm cards for Seth and Jalil, the Jericho trifold and the Spirit of Mandela trifold.
- We were present at the United Nations Annual Hearing on Decolonization for Puerto Rico on June 18th, where **Jihad and Frankie presented**. Ann and her friend Linda were present as well, but were not allowed to enter the conference room as they did not have the proper credentials. They did stay for the entire day.
- Participated at a demonstration against Gov. Cuomo at a fundraiser at the Plaza Hotel in Manhattan, once again demanding parole reform, bail reform and an end to solitary confinement, organized by the same folk who did the Albany action.
- Anne Lamb is a regular speaker at "What's Happening" with Ralph Poynter on Tuesday nights at 9 p.m. This is a blogtalk radio program.
- Designed and ordered two sample T shirts
- 6 letters sent to Political Prisoner's
- Discussed initial plans for printing Jalil Muntaqim's CD
- Tabling at 2 events
- Collaboration for events with 1 external comrade
- Follow up on Medical & Legal statuses
- Social Media & Listserve distribution of PP/POW news, events
- Preparation & formation of Sub Committee for PP/POW Jalil Muntaqim 's request for parole related media
- 3 Informal Political Education classes -seeking venue to meet regularly
- 16 letters sent on behalf of "Calls to Action"
- 8 Phone calls were made on behalf of "Calls to Action"

- 12 Parole letters written on behalf of Political Prisoner's
- 17 Contacts made on behalf of the campaign "in the Spirit of Nelson Mandela
- Printing of brochures, letters and tabling materials
- Contacted 9 Book "Stores" for Prisoner's for materials

The Jericho Movement has initiated as well as supported and participated in many events and calls to action this month. Thinking forward-we will be updating our website, increasing our international reach to build continued solidarity and plan to create additional resources for our Political Prisoners/POW's and their families. As Jalil Muntaqim has a parole hearing coming up, we are campaigning for his freedom. We are also providing support for Herman Bell and helping to plan for Seth Hayes release in July. Additionally, Jericho is considering adding two more additional Political Prisoner's to our list of freedom fighter's. Stay tuned for more updates on this.

In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela Campaign

Jericho is spearheading the "In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela" campaign proposed by political prisoner and co-founder of the National Jericho Movement Jalil Abdul Muntaqim. This initiative appeals to the international community, including the International Commission of Jurists, to call for special hearings within the United Nations to review the cases of Political Prisoners. Several meetings have already occurred in collaboration with interested others, and much headway is being made regarding organizing efforts. Please contact: nycjericho@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming involved. We invite you to support this initiative.

As we prepare to launch the In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela, Bring Back the International Jurists Campaign, we are providing links to some important documents. One of these is the United Nations Mandela Rules, unanimously passed by the Security Counsel in December of 2015. Another important document is Jalil Muntaqim's essay regarding the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the International Jurists. Please see links and Docs at: <http://www.freejalil.com/2017juristsUN.html> **also in German!!** [Click here to read the Report of International Jurists—Visit with Human Rights Petitioners in the United States, August 3-20, 1979.](#)

Political Prisoner/Prisoner of War, Jalil Muntaqim states in his blog "recently the Jericho Amnesty Movement embarked on a new national and international campaign to persuade the U.N. International Jurists to initiate a formal investigation on human rights abuses of U.S. political prisoners. To further demand the U.S. Corporate Government implement the U.N. Minimum Standards on the Treatment of Prisoners, and for the immediate release of our political prisoners. This especially calls for the release of those with COINTELPRO convictions who have languished in prison for 30 to 50 years. These political prisoners were contemporaries of Nelson Mandela; when he was fighting against Apartheid in South Afrika, they were fighting against Jim Crow segregation and second-class citizenship in the U.S. This Jericho campaign motto is "In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela" and activists across the country are urged to join and support in whatever way they are able in political solidarity toward the building of the National Coalition for the Human Rights of Political Prisoners". (<http://www.freejalil.com/blog47.html>).

Please read our invitation below and contact us if you are interested in endorsing, sponsoring or otherwise becoming involved in "The Spirit of Nelson Mandela" initiative.

“Greetings of Peace!

The IN THE SPIRIT OF NELSON MANDELA COALITION invites you to join our campaign to develop an International Coalition to acknowledge, recognize and push for the release of US held Political Prisoners. The conditions under which US political prisoners are forced to live and the length of their sentences violates international law and the UN Nelson Mandela Rules. In December 2015, the United Nations General Assembly adopted its landmark resolution 70/175 entitled “United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules)” (<https://www.penalreform.org/priorities/prison-conditions/standard-minimum-rules/>). These Rules condemn the United States’ policies and practices of punitive solitary confinement, medical neglect and long term solitary confinement. This particular international initiative stems from a call from Political Prisoner and co-founder of the National Jericho Movement to Free All Political Prisoners, Jalil Abdul Muntaqim. Although efforts to present our issues in the international arena certainly aren’t new—Malcolm X urged such in the 1960s—this Initiative begins with a much needed renewed energy, focus and commitment.

While constantly organizing and soliciting endorsers and sponsors, our first campaign objective was to contact the International Commission of Jurists (ICJ) (<https://www.icj.org>) to initiate a formal investigation into the holding of Political Prisoners in the United States. Representatives from the ICJ had come to the United States before in 1979 to visit Political prisoners Sundiata Acoli and Ed Poindexter. Some forty years later these prisoners still remain in prison. Ultimately, we hope to use this investigation to bring the following results:

- Generate international awareness and attention
- Implore the United Nation to convene a Truth and Reconciliation Tribunal to explore, expose and address the social, economic and political historic conditions of people of color, and particularly black people in the United States, revolutionaries and movement organizations that struggle against these conditions, and the government’s brutal and illegal response to those organizations and people resulting in the deaths and incarcerations of hundreds
- Build political and legal pressure to call for the release of Political Prisoners

We realize that we have a difficult job ahead, but the more national and international solidarity we garner, the greater the chances for victory. We hope you will join the campaign by -

1. Agreeing to support by clearly identifying your organization and contact person;
2. Providing your accurate email and phone number (We will keep you informed of developments of this initiative); and
3. Partaking of the unique experience of collectively brain storming strategies to bring this struggle to the international arena and to the United Nations.

Your input is valued at any level.

In solidarity,

The National Jericho Movement
In the Spirit of Nelson Mandela Coalition”



FREE ALL U.S. HELD POLITICAL PRISONERS!!!

As we move towards accomplishing our goals, we seek to continue to form new alliances, to help build a more unified front both nationally and internationally. We look forward to expanding our scope of services as well as increasing our dedicated members, especially reaching out to the youth to carry on the torch of justice for not only our beloved freedom fighter's who are now elders **still** in these dungeons, but also for those Political Prisoner's who are to come in the future-and surely they will, given the escalating oppression and fascism that is swiftly seeping through every "right" in this country. Unless a sudden change permeates the power structures, the number of political prisoner's will grow. COINTELPRO is still alive and running many missives in which to entrap those who oppose the tyrannical, oppressive & racism regime. In the many decades of their operations they have become even more cunning and sophisticated. Our hope is to unify the people who truly want to move forward towards a better future for all, **not just some**-and to use the power of unified numbers to stand as strong as a spider web against those who have chosen a destructive path to abolish human rights.

As our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War are aging and too many have already died behind these dungeon walls, it is imperative that we as a collective, continue to go even harder in the quest for their freedom. They have been waiting patiently... for 30, 40, 50 years. "For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others."—**Nelson Mandela**

As Jericho has withstood many obstacles in the past 20 years, we are still here, and we will not fall back. We are relentless in bringing our beloved freedom fighters home.

Gratitude and Appreciation

It is with great gratitude that we express our sincere appreciation to you-our supporters. Without your help, we could not accomplish all that we do for our Political Prisoner's/prisoner's of war. From helping their families visit them, to assisting with legal and medical needs, to putting monies in their commissary as well as providing forums wherein we can hold events to educate others about our political prisoners/Prisoner's of war, your support helps make this possible. We know it, and our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of war know it as well. There is power in the people, and this is where their freedom lies. It is because of people such as yourselves, who so graciously give of your time, your donations as well as your thoughts towards this cause that brings us closer to the day when we can finally say-They are Home at Last....Can you imagine? After sacrificing for the community-the community is the one who brings them home. After languishing in a steel dungeon waiting for freedom for decades, when that door finally swings open and they finally step into their families arms for good, it will be a powerful day indeed. We are all links that join together as one. No act, no deed is too small. Together we are strong, powerful. We just have to keep going-as they did back in the days when they were fighting the same old oppressive, racist regime.

"Freedom can never be taken for granted. Each generation must safeguard it and extend it. Your parents and elders sacrificed much so that you should have freedom without suffering what they did. Use this precious right to ensure that the darkness of the past never return."—[Nelson Mandela](#).

Thank you-for safeguarding and extending the fight for justice, freedom and human rights. There is a light down the way, it is called our children's eyes. May they know a better world.

As you know, the obstacles to helping free our political prisoners are immense. It is to challenge the super power and its many facets. It is to fight repression through education, organizing, mobilizing, and creating a movement that embraces freedom and dignity for all people and freedom for all political prisoners.

Your financial support at this time is needed for Jericho's continued work and effectiveness.

If you cannot support financially, please do continue to read our newsletters, share them widely, tell others about our Political Prisoner's/Prisoner's of War-volunteer to help us if you can, for everything matters and no sincere deed is left unnoticed. We are the ones, for a prisoner's options are limited, we have the key, we just have to figure out together, how to unlock those doors.

Free all Political Prisoners!

In struggle and gratitude, The National Jericho Movement

Your Generous Contributions Help us Provide Real Support to our Political Prisoners!

___ \$25 ___ \$50 ___ \$75 ___ \$100 ___ \$250 ___ \$ Other ___

There are two ways to make a donation:

Please make non-deductible donations to:

National Jericho Treasury

Mail to: "Jericho Treasury/Michael Alston"

Ashanti Alston

[162 Miller Ave](#)

[Providence, R.I. 02905](#)

For tax deductible receipt, send donations to:

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Subject Line: Jericho

Mail to:

Elane Spivak Rodriguez

Alliance for Global Justice

[225 E. 26th Street, Suite 1](#)

[Tuscon, Arizona 85713](#)

Or Visit our website at: <http://www.thejerichomovement.com/donate> and click our "donate" button.