

Protest Halts Snowbowl Wastewater Pipeline End Destruction and Desecration of San Francisco Peaks!

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At sunrise on Thursday, June 16, more than a dozen people stopped ski area construction on the Holy San Francisco Peaks in AZ. Six individuals used various devices to lock themselves to heavy machinery and to each other inside the wastewater pipeline trench.

Kristopher Barney, Dine (Navajo), one of the six who locked himself to an excavator stated, "This is a continuation of years of prayers and resistance. It's our hope that all Indigenous Peoples, and all others, throughout the North, East, South and West come together to offer support to the San Francisco Peaks and help put a stop to Snowbowl's plan to further destroy and desecrate such a sacred, beautiful and pristine mountain!"

"What part of sacred don't they understand? Through our actions today, we say enough! The destruction and desecration has to end!" said Marlena Teresa Garcia, 16, a young Dine woman who also chose to lock down. "The Holy San Francisco Peaks is home, tradition, culture, and a sanctuary to me, and all this is being desecrated by the Arizona Snowbowl Ski Resort. So now I, as a young Dine woman, stand by Dook' o'osliid's side taking action to stop cultural genocide. I encourage all indigenous youth to stand against the desecration that is happening on the Holy San Francisco Peaks and all other sacred sites," said Garcia after being arrested and released.

A banner was hung on the side of the trench that read "Defend the Sacred." Over the half mile of open construction, the group

chanted, Protect Sacred Sites, Defend Human Rights! No desecration for recreation! Stop cultural genocide! and Human health over corporate wealth! "This waste water pipeline will poison the environment and children who may eat snow made from it. Snowbowl plans to spray millions of gallons of waste water snow, which is filled with cancer causing and other harmful contaminants, as well as clear-cut over 30,000 trees. The Peaks are a pristine and beautiful place, a fragile ecosystem, and home to rare and endangered species of plants and animals," said Evan Hawbaker, another of the protesters who locked down to the excavator.

"The US Dept. of Agriculture, the US Forest Service, the City of Flagstaff Mayor and Council, and the AZ Dept. of Environmental Quality are all responsible for permitting Snowbowl to endanger public health, destroy the environment, and desecrate the Holy Peaks," said protester Nadia del Callejo. "Throughout history, acts of resistance and civil disobedience have been taken by young and old against injustices such as this. This action is not isolated but part of a continued resistance to human rights violations, to colonialism, to corporate greed, and destruction of Mother Earth," added Del Callejo.

A separate group of supporters, some wearing hazmat suits, quarantined the entrance to Snowbowl Road. By 6:00 a.m. more than 15 armed agents, including the Coconino County Sheriff's Department, City of Flagstaff Police, & the FBI stormed the mountain. At approximately 7:30 a.m., the Flagstaff Fire Department, assisted by County Sheriffs, started aggressively cutting people from the excavator. After being cut out, the two were treated by paramedics and arrested for trespassing. The police, firefighters, and paramedics then proceeded to cut two people locked in a nearby trench. Extraction took about forty minutes and the two were immediately seen by paramedics after

being unlocked. One of the individuals sustained injuries to an arm from abusive force. Both were charged with trespassing, with an added charge of "contributing to the delinquency of a minor," for one of the protesters. Police proceeded to unlock the last group who was also inside the trench nearby.

"Our only offense was resistance; resistance [to] the implications [of] Snowbowl's development. The police [response] was to implement tactics of fear, essentially to continue construction as soon as possible. Our safety was second to Snowbowl's demands. I was one of the demonstrators in the trench, locked at the neck with a partner. I was not aggressive. My lock was sawed through, inches away from both of our heads, secured solely and recklessly by the hands of a deputy. During the process, we were repeatedly asked to chant to reaffirm our consciousness. The police response was hasty--it was dehumanizing," said Hailey Sherwood, one of the last protester to be cut out. Four of the protesters were taken to County Jail. The two young people were taken to Coconino County Juvenile Detention Center. FBI agents attempted to question four of those arrested.

As word spread about the demonstration to protect the Peaks, overwhelming support and solidarity poured in from throughout the community and internationally. Bail was raised shortly after the arrests. All demonstrators were released by 3:30 p.m. Three of the protesters, including Marlena Teresa Garcia, immediately filed a report for excessive use of force after being released.

<http://www.indigenouaction.org/statement-from-6-protesters-arrested-for-stopping-snowbowl-pipeline/>

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PART's Perspective:

End the Empire Before It Ends You!

by Michael Novick, *Anti-Racist Action-Los Angeles/People Against Racist Terror* (ARA-LA/PART)

Recent reports of the end of the world have once again proved premature. If the irrational prophecies of believers in the Bible or the end of the Mayan calendar have no foundation, however, the more serious projections of catastrophic climate change, oxygen depletion and acidification in the oceans and mass extinction cannot be dismissed, and in fact have already been shown to be underestimates.

But the grip of belief in "end times" is based less in scientific calculation and study, and more in the psychology of identification with the oppressor. Because the days of colonialism and bourgeois rule – of private expropriation of nature and socially produced wealth – are truly numbered. All those who have deeply internalized bourgeois ideology, and have identified with the imperial project, feel in their gut that their time is up.

However, the end of class society and colonialism is not the end of the world; not even "the end of history." Far from it! The contrary is true – the future of the planet depends on ending exploitation, oppression and domination. However, despite all its internal contradictions, despite the evidence in the historical record that every empire has fallen, imperialism will not topple of itself, because of the very deep grip the Empire has today on the psyche of the very people it exploits and oppresses. What's more, those living high on the hog off the pain and privation of others and the despoiling of the planet apply their wealth to the construction and control of a vast apparatus of military domination and political repression unparalleled in history.

The transformation of society, the economy, and the way we live on the earth that is necessary to sustain human life and the eco-sphere therefore requires two interpenetrating initiatives. On the psychological level, we must break our identification with or as the oppressor. Break with white supremacy, neo-colonialism, elitism, and victimhood by developing a sense

of our own creative power, solidarity and human rights. Concurrently, we have to develop, actualize and exercise the power of the people through concrete acts of resistance, through discipline, accountability, training, and strategic thinking. We need to identify and take advantage of the oppressor's weaknesses and blindness, while identifying and overcoming our own. This is what is meant in "The Art of War," that if you know your enemy, and know yourself, you can fight 1000 battles and never lose.

This work, of developing the psychological and physical resources of the people, is sometimes inaccurately equated with "aboveground" and "underground" work, with mass organizing vs. militant or military action. In fact, both the physical and psychological aspects of our capacity to fight back develop simultaneously and in a complementary fashion through both open and clandestine work. The key is that all struggles must advance based on a common political understanding and standard – that we are in a life or death struggle with a merciless enemy. Without that understanding, we confine our struggles (even when using military means) to the kind of "reforms" that George Jackson defined as the new form of fascism. Without that, mass manifestations like the so-called "Arab Spring" can be manipulated by the CIA or NED into changing figureheads so as to modernize or streamline the very repressive apparatus they rose up to oppose. Without that understanding, we fall for allegedly "humanitarian interventions" like the US-NATO invasion of Libya (and thereby, Africa).

But if we do grasp that irreconcilable contradiction between the people and planet on the one hand, and the Empire on the other, we can begin to apply Malcolm's dictum to struggle *by any means necessary* for freedom.

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"The New Jim Crow" [Book Review]

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Alexander, Michelle, *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*. (NY: The New Press, 2010, 290 pp.)

The book, *The New Jim Crow*, offers an unflinching look at the US addiction to imprisonment, and comes up with a startling diagnosis: American corporate greed, political opportunism and the exploitation of age old hatred and fears have congealed to create a monstrous explosion in the world's largest prison industrial complex.

Further, the author, a law professor at Ohio State University's Moritz College of Law, Michelle Alexander, digs deep into US history, and deeper still into US criminal law and practice. [She] conclude[s] that the barbarous system of repression and control known commonly as Jim Crow, had a rebirth in this era. That's why she calls it *The New Jim Crow*.

This system of legal discrimination came into being much as the first one did. After the rout of the South by the Civil War, millions of newly freed Africans exercised these new rights under Reconstruction. Black men became senators and legislators across the South.

But this period was short lived, and as soon as possible, states passed harsh laws known as Black Codes, which denied rights and criminalized behavior by Blacks. This exposed them to the repression of southern prisons, where convicts were leased out to labor for others; it was the rebirth of slavery by other means.

This present era began at the height of the US Civil Rights Movement, when millions of Blacks fought for their rights denied for more than a century

Alexander concludes that this new system, this new coalescence of economic and political interests, targeted Blacks, especially those engaged in the drug industry, as the human capital with which to provide massive construction, huge prison staffs, and the other appendages of the apparatus of state repression.

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by "Between the Bars" Prisoner Blogging Project, MIT

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But perhaps Alexander's most salient point is her finding that America's Black population constitutes a 'racial caste' that feeds and perpetuates mass incarceration [p. 195]:

"Indeed, every other societal structure supports this superstructure, from broken schools, to de-industrialization, to population concentration in isolated urban ghettos, to the violence of police, and the silence of the Black Middle class."

One might argue that such a claim seems unsustainable when we see a Black president, hundreds of black political figures and those in entertainment and sports.

But Alexander explains that every system allows exceptions, for they serve to legitimize the system and mask its ugliness and its gross effects upon the majority of Blacks.

For example, while it's well known that apartheid was an overtly racist system, it allowed Asian and even African American diplomats to live and work in such a regime, by the political expediency of identifying them as "honorary whites" in their official papers.

When comparing both systems, Alexander argues that the US imprisons more Blacks both in raw number and per capita than South Africa at the height of apartheid!

The New Jim Crow – indeed!

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Running Down the Walls 2011

by Lane Farnham, ABCF-LA

On Sunday, July 31st, 2011, from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, in MacArthur Park, (starting at the south west corner), 2230 W. 6th St., Los Angeles CA 90057, the Los Angeles Anarchist Black Cross will host a 5k run/walk/jog/bike around the festive paths of MacArthur Park, Los Angeles. This run/walk/jog/bike 5K is designed to raise much-needed funds for the ABCF Warchest program, and Revolutionary Autonomous Communities (RAC). We are attempting to reach the goal of \$3,500 with the run. Funds will be divided between the two programs:

ABCF Warchest:

The ABCF Warchest program is now almost 17 years old; funds for the Warchest are divided and distributed through monthly stipends to political prisoners who receive little or no financial aid. Prisoners use this money to cover the basic necessities of everyday living. These funds have been used by prisoners to pay for stamps, shoes, clothes, as well as assisting their families with what little they can.

Revolutionary Autonomous Communities (RAC):

In the aftermath of the May Day 2007 police riot targeting migrant workers who dared stand up for our human rights, members of the MacArthur Park area and others joined together to support those with no papers and those with no means. RAC-LA came forward to aid the community in self-organizing such that with the help of each other we might make an inhuman way of living a bit more bearable while at same time acquiring the means to one day transform this system into an image of our own humanity.

Solidarity Runs:

Every year, prisoners and supporters of political prisoners organize solidarity runs with Running Down the Walls. In Sync with each other, we will collectively pound the pavement with our feet and bike tires as we exhibit our strength and stamina as examples of our tireless effort to free our imprisoned comrades. In past years we had runs in: Albuquerque (NM), Arcata (CA), Ashland, (OR), Bellefonte (PA), Boston (MA), Connecticut River, Dannemora (NY), Denver, (CO), Detroit (MI), Elmore (AL), Guelph (CAN), Inez (KY), Los Angeles (CA), Marion (IL), Mexico

City (MEX), New York City (NY), USP. Navosta (TX), Pelican Bay (CA), Phoenix (AZ), Sandstone (MN), Tucson (AZ), USP Tucson (AZ), and Toronto (CAN)

Raising Funds:

The Warchest program was created in November of 1994. Its purpose is to send monthly financial support to Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War (PP/POWs) who have been receiving insufficient, little, or no financial support during their imprisonment.

Support the Struggle:

We must remember that many of those arrested in the past or present are not far from us. Many of them were and are community and labor activists, queer, and environmental activists; people who decided to speak out against various forms of oppression and paid the price of their freedom for their actions. We must remember that anyone of these people could have at one time stood beside us in a demonstration, at a speak-out, or even at an organizing meeting. At any given moment it could be us who finds ourselves in this situation, so it is imperative that we ensure that a strong enough community of support exists for these people as well as ourselves. The strength of our movement is determined by how much we support our fallen comrades. As Anarchist and former POW Ojore Lutalo says, "Any Movement that does not support its political internees, is a sham movement."

So please help us, help them! Help us help you!

We encourage people to participate in helping us raise funds for the Warchest in the following ways:

Be a runner:

We are asking people or groups who are running to collect as many sponsor for the run as possible. Remember the money received is going to help imprisoned comrades who need your help. The person who collects the most amount of funds will be given a prize for their involvement and dedication to helping our fallen comrades.

Sponsor a runner:

This can be done through a flat donation to the runner of your choice, each flyer is a sponsor sheet. We ask from those who wish not to run to actively support those who are running in hopes of collecting as much for our comrades as possible.

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Revolutionary Autonomous Communities (RAC): <http://revolutionaryautonomouscommunities.blogspot.com/>

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“International capitalism cannot be destroyed without the extremes of struggle. The entire colonial world is watching the blacks inside the U.S., wondering and waiting for us to come to our senses. Their problems and struggles with the Amerikan monster are much more difficult than they would be if we actively aided them. We are on the inside. We are the only ones (besides the very small white minority left) who can get at the monster’s heart without subjecting the world to nuclear fire. We have a momentous historical role to act out if we will. The whole world for all time in the future will love us and remember us as the righteous people who made it possible for the world to live on. If we fail through fear and lack of aggressive imagination, the slaves of future will curse us, as we sometimes curse those of yesterday.” –George Jackson, Field Marshal, Black Panther Party for Self Defense.

A Black Rider in Afrika

By Shango Abiola, Black Riders Liberation Party

“We’re not Americans, we’re Africans who happen to be in America. We were kidnapped and brought here against our will from Africa.” -Malcolm X.

In February 2011, the Black Riders Liberation Party followed in the footsteps of our ancestors W.E.B. Dubois, Malcolm X, Eldridge Cleaver and Mzee Pete and Charlotte O’neil and more, in making the pilgrimage back to the motherland. It was due to the efforts of the Pan Afrikan Peoples Organization (PAPO), the United African Alliance Community Center (UAACC), the Black Riders Liberation Party (BRLP), my family and others that I was able to make this pilgrimage back home to Afrika.

As a Black Rider (new generation Panther) in Afrika, I had a legacy to live up to and to plant seeds to build upon. As General TACO teaches us, the BPP ideology evolved from Black Nationalist to Inter-Communalist. This led the original Black Panther Party to exist in communities around the world. Some of the places our elder comrades have been are Algeria, where Minister of Information Eldridge Cleaver escaped capture, and Tanzania, my first official stop.

As I landed at Kilimanjaro Airport I felt the power of the sun for what felt like the first time. When we got through customs, our group was greeted by two brothers saying, “Karibu nyambani”-- “Welcome home.” On the road to the UAACC compound you’ll see the Imbaseni village, near the city of Arusha. You’ll see a multitude of shops and communally built shopping centers among the Wameru people. Sister Upesi Mtambuzi of PAPO said, “Yeah, everybody got a shop when you don’t have to compete with WalMart.” As we got to the UAACC compound, my senses became especially in tune with my emotions. I became excited, determined and focused at the same time. Murals of Malcolm X, Geronimo Ji Jaga (RIP, he died on June 2, 2011), and Mumia Abu-Jamal, Red Black and Green flags and Black Panthers on the walls, turned my antennas to the frequency of war. The entire time I was at the UAACC compound I felt like a student starving for knowledge. I wanted to soak up every ounce of revolutionary knowledge I could get from these OG’s before I had to return to the battlefields in south central LA and West Oakland. I was focused on what assistance I could provide to comrades struggling on the continent.

The first person we met was Mzee (elder) Pete O’neil, founder of the Kansas City chapter of the Black Panther Party, who in 1970 was convicted of a trumped-up politically-motivated gun charge. This attack from the KC police chief, FBI director and racist pig Clarence Kelley was an attempt to crush the BPP.

To give some background, Clarence Kelley began his assault on the Black Liberation Movement with O’neil as a primary target. As Mzee Pete O’neil tells it, he and the Kansas City BPP were exposing Kelley as a corrupt police chief. Mzee and Kelley began exchanging words in the local paper. So as soon as Clarence takes over for Hoover as director of the FBI/COINTELPRO he goes after O’neil. Mzee was forced to jump bail and leave the US with his wife and comrade Charlotte. The first stop in Afrika was Algeria, then Tanzania. In political exile, they have remained steadfast to their beliefs as Black Revolutionaries. Their continuing work in the struggle has been documented in articles and documentaries, such as “A Panther in Africa” by Aaron Mathews.

My time at the UAACC was very inspiring. Shortly after our arrival the children of “The Leaders of Tomorrow” orphanage and school greeted us. While at the UAACC compound I learned that this program raises over 20 orphans and gives multi-level primary education to them and many members of the local community. This compound distributes clean water to the local villages. The people who serve the community live on the facility and share the responsibility and resources of all day-to-day tasks. This has helped empower many of the people whom this program has served to become doctors, teachers and more.

While volunteering in a classroom of older students ages 16-22 it was empowering to see how receptive continental Afrikans were to my condemnation of fascism in America. I described our stance against it by quoting Malcolm X on the fox and the wolf. Malcolm says that the fox (liberal) is always more dangerous than the wolf (conservative) because he’s more deceitful. He says you can see the wolf (conservative) coming but the fox (liberal) will fool you. “Even though you see his teeth you think he’s smiling at you.” Our conversations built on the neo-colonial puppets in Afrika as well as the ones in the united snakes. We dispelled the myth of meritocracy and their beliefs that all amerikkans are rich.... They educated me on the independence movement in which Julius Nyerere, leader of the Tanganyikan African National Union, united Tanganyika with the island of

Zanzibar to make Tanzania. Nyerere was committed to non-violence and the rebels of Zanzibar overthrew the Arabic sultan rulers through Armed Struggle.

We communed over music as we discussed the Black Riders’ beliefs outlined in the Black Commune Program. Every Afrikan that I spoke to was in agreement about the need for a program like this in Afrika. The BRLP, through the support of UAACC, is ready to push the line! We believe Afrika’s power and resources belong to ALL Black people no matter where they live in the world. In building our international strength and support for our war against kkkapitalism and white supremacy, we must build closer ties than ever before to our revolutionary family in Afrika. Which means not just go to Afrika to learn Swahili, change our names and wear dashikis... though there is nothing wrong with that. Our primary goal must be to fight from here, in solidarity with the struggles of the masses of Afrikans on Afrikan soil. We must do this while fulfilling our role of disrupting the belly of the beast. Our revolutionary theory was built from Dr. Huey Newton (Revolutionary Inter-Communalism) and expanded. It teaches us that though Amerikkka often acts tough as hell, Uncle Sam can’t fight on multiple fronts at once, especially a race and class war led by oppressed Black people trapped in the U.S in unity with all Third World people. So the advancement of Afrikans’ revolutionary struggle against oppression is in desperate need for us to link with our fam in the motherland. When we paralyze the beast from within the belly, they can assist us in delivering the finishing blow to kkkapitalism worldwide.

This is important because many Black people of the Diaspora have romanticized our homeland as an abundance of freedom. We sometimes believe Afrikan people haven’t suffered from the psychological slavery we experience here in the belly of the beast. Unfortunately white supremacy doesn’t work like that. In Afrika, people were weakened just as much as Afrikan people scattered throughout the world, or Diaspora, when the European ripped millions of people from her womb. Though I was not in a country as war-torn by European-created tribalism and imperialism as the Congo or Rwanda, it’s clear to me that Tanzania is dependent on economic influence from overseas. Despite the socialist influence (Ujamaa villages), and being a country that gave comrade Pete O’neil amnesty, it’s still under the attack of kkkapitalism. We can see this from the way children put their hand out when they see tourists, to the economic dependence on tourism at the national parks and safaris. The fact that tourism is made up of mostly wazungu (white folks) illustrates that our people don’t have full self-determination in the Motherland either.

One of the reasons for this may be the fact that in spite of the socialistic influence outlined in the “Arusha Declaration” outlined by Mwalimu (teacher) Julius Nyerere, he didn’t see the need to apply armed struggle. One of Nyerere and Tanzania’s early supporters, Dr. Walter Rodney, author of “How Europe Under-Developed Africa” and key organizer of the Working Peoples Alliance of Guyana, saw this. Our ancestor states, in his 1974 paper “On Aspects of the International Class Struggle in Africa, the Caribbean and America”:

“Without falling into the trap of imagining that the present states of Africa and the Caribbean will liberate the African masses from the tyranny of man and nature, it remains an open question as to how far they can be pressured to take steps which lessen the impact of imperialist exploitation and perhaps grant respite to the producers and progressive forces. Southern Africa provides excellent illustrations to this effect. Our brothers in the South are striking blows which include attacks

on enemy bases in Angola, destruction of rail links in Mozambique, disruption of production through strikes in Namibia and South Africa, and intensification of offensives in Zimbabwe. Even the most reactionary African [leaders] have found it difficult to avoid responding in some positive manner; just as liberal organizations and governments of the capitalist world are now finding it prudent to join Socialists and radicals in giving international support to African liberation movements. [A] committed presence is essential to control contributions which could otherwise cease to be merely opportunist and become actively counter-revolutionary.”

What Dr. Rodney is referring to is that socialism won’t work without a military defensive and offensive against the imperialist forces of kkkapitalism. No liberal pseudo-independence that is usually ‘granted’ by legislation without armed self-defense and armed struggle will ever produce real socialism (or Revolutionary Afrikan Inter-Communalism). It’s ironic that Dr. Rodney mentioned South Afrika (Azania), considering that we were filled with much hope and joy that after 20 plus years Nelson Mandela was released from prison and made President. But what some of us failed to realize is that once Brother Mandela was released, the Umkhonto we Sizwe (military/guerrilla forces of the Azanian revolution) put down their guns. This helped to fizzle the intensity of the Independence movement, and our people there continue to suffer from racism, neo-colonialism and U.S. Imperialism.

We can’t afford to make the same mistakes. We must find ways to support not only the propagandist of the Afrikan Diaspora but the guerrillas as well, from the Somali “Pirates” taking imperialist ships hostage, to the folks busting rifle shots at the police from high-rise apartments in West Oakland. So the Afrikans’ support of our efforts in North America and our support of their efforts in Afrika is crucial because we are STILL fighting the same enemy that violently separated us in the “Maafa” (chattel slavery). And we will be fighting this war until we destroy the forces of kkkapitalism with our own minds, our own God, and our own guns.

We plan shortly to set up a “Repatriation” program. The Black Riders, unlike some organizations, believe we must make a psychological, spiritual and economic return to our motherland. Yet, for us to believe that, once we leave the U.S., white supremacy won’t hunt us down and continue to enslave the world is foolish. We must not only assist in the revolutionary struggles of the Afrikans on the continent but also destroy the control center of fascism here in the U.S. This means we must learn from what happened in Liberia, where the Afrikans in America that were taken back to Afrika by the “American Colonization Society” began to oppress the native Afrikans. The Afrikans from amerikkka began to oppress their own brothers, because the correct education and ideology was not implemented in the process. The Black Riders Liberation Party will not make the same mistake. We will connect our people --culturally/spiritually, economically and politically -- with Afrika not just by visiting or moving there, but by supporting and advancing the work that the community is already engaged in.

Panther Power to Elder comrades Pete & Charlotte O’neil and Everybody at the UAACC

All Power to the People in General and to All Afrikans in Particular....at Home and Abroad!

Free Mumia Abu Jamaal, Jalil Muntaqin, Sundiata Acoli, Free BRLP Comrade Noor Bey, Free General T.A.C.O. from the GPS tracking device the state strapped to his leg,

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RUMORS March-June 2011

Stories of on-the-street Anti-Racist/Anti-Fascist actions in the U.S. & Canada Compiled by Hub City ARA

Chicago, IL. – March – Anti-choice leader Joe Schneider held an event in Chicago. Three of its attendees had their tires slashed by local antifa.

Chicago, IL. – April – An attempted “Hitler’s Bday” party organized by area Nazi Art Jones was abruptly ended by a smoke bomb left in the bathroom of the restaurant it was being held in. There were no injuries or damage.

Pemberton, NJ. – April – The National Socialist Movement (NSM) attempted to hold their annual conference at a small hall in a small town in New Jersey. ARA found out the location, arrived on the scene to protest, and were attacked by the Nazis. The antifa (around 20) defended themselves, injuring 8 nazis and putting 4 in the hospital. 2 Antifa were arrested several hours later but it is unclear if they were even present at the melee.

Trenton, NJ. – April – The day after the melee in Pemberton the NSM held a small rally on the steps of the NJ state house in Trenton. They were opposed by at least 5 times as many protestors including a large contingent of ARA. The fascists hid carefully behind the cops that day though as they were being driven out on buses several bottles and rocks were thrown from the crowd. A short time later, several bank windows were smashed by angry protesters.

Indianapolis, IN. – April – Nazi “historian” David Irving had TWO locations for speaking events cancel on him in short order. The first, the MCL cafeteria, had its windows smashed with bricks which led the management to not only cancel that event, but discontinue their policy of allowing the racist “Hoosier Nation” group to host monthly meetings there. The backup location was also discovered and once management found out they were forced to leave. The Nazis claim they found a third location but have provided no evidence that a public meeting actually took place.

Chicago, IL. – April – Local nazi Brian Lloyd Christian was physically confronted by local antifa at the Heartland Café. Soon after he was outed at his job and home, and has since been fired.

New Brunswick, NJ – April – A handful of Antifa confronted local neo-Nazi and convicted sex offender James Wasserman outside the New Brunswick Free Public Library, whose internet he had been using to try and meet young women. Wasserman was berated and outed to everyone in the area before the Antifa left him trembling with spit running down his face. He has not been spotted at the library since.

Chicago, IL. – April – The war between scum-fuck punx The Rolling 77’s (responsible for several gay-bashings, hate crimes and even a few murders) and Chi-town antifa continued with a huge brawl involving 20+ people which left the outnumbered antifa victorious and several 77’s in the hospital.

The Internet – April – Anti-choicers from “The Pro-Life Action League” had their website attacked by pro-choice hackers downing the site for 16 hours.

Los Angeles, CA – April – Nazi pseudo-historian David Irving not only failed to hold a public event at his intended location in Orange County, but the Institute for Historical Review (IHR), the holocaust-denier group hosting him, moved their offices out of that location as well. Anti-fa in OC posted up outside, flyering and chasing off a local nazi.

Phoenix, AZ – April – David Irving held a small event in Phoenix under heavy police protection. A handful of antifa showed up to protest last minute.

Chicago, IL. – May – Nazi sympathizer David Irving held a small speaking event inside the swanky Drake hotel in Chicago. Chicago ARA found out the details from a snitch and coordinated a phone jam, but the management was unwilling to cancel the event and openly hostile to those who called. The following morning a bomb threat was called in to the Drake but no bomb was found.

Riverside, CA. – May – NSM regional leader Jeff Hall was shot and killed (allegedly) by his 10-year-old son. The boy was quoted in an interview with detectives as saying he was “tired of his dad hitting him and his mom.”

New York, NY. – May – Local antifa converged at the annual May Day march, holding a banner that read “antifascismo es anticapitalista.” They also confronted several anti-immigrant right wing counter-protestors who were present.

Denver, CO. – May – Denver antifa have been confronting police brutality and repression, culminating in a march on May 6th against police terror. At the march, police used a small firework as an excuse to attack and arrest a 20-year-old protestor, who has beaten some ludicrous charges levied against her. For more info on how to support her, visit denverabc.wordpress.com.

Kalispell, MT. – May – Local antifa managed to find out and release the location of nazi historian David Irving’s speaking event, but management was unwilling to cancel the event.

Worcester, MA – May – North East White Pride boneheads attempted to hold a meeting in a public library. The 5 boneheads were smashed by 20 Antifa who blocked the exits. According to an anonymous report-back, “It began with shoves and kicks, then blunt weapons and chairs were used. One bonehead got a u-lock taken to his face and arm, others had chairs brought down on their skulls.”

New York, NY – May – Several protests was called in response to the acquittal (despite overwhelming evidence) of two NYPD cops for the rape of a woman in her home. One ended with “hundreds facing off against the police, briefly blocking the entrance to the Brooklyn bridge, and repeatedly pushing back police attempts to corral protesters onto the sidewalk.” Another involved fireworks being set off and a plate-glass window of a Chase bank being smashed.

The Internet – June – Anonymous Antifascist Hackers struck twice in a few days against over a dozen Nazi web-sites, including the web-site of North East White Pride and several forums. The hackers released personal messages and information of TONS of Nazis each time along with messages in solidarity with anarchist prisoners and antifascists.

Philadelphia, PA – June – Philadelphia ARA organized a successful benefit (an 80’s dance night) and raised several hundred dollars for the legal defense of the two Antifa arrested in Pemberton.

Milwaukee, WI – June – 5 NSM Boneheads under heavy police protection protested Milwaukee (Gay) Pride. But this didn’t stop a few anti-fascists from making sure they didn’t go home without interruption. According to an anonymous report: “Aside from infiltrating the Milwaukee NSM through Harriet Paletti (20225 w coffee road, new berlin 53146), anti-fascists had been watching the NSM since early in the morning and had clear descriptions on all cars and attendees. The NSM’s grey Astro-van was parked directly in front of their smaller red car where an NSM member inside was ‘guarding’ the van. After being confronted at his car he cowardly denied being a nazi and did nothing to protect the vehicle of his comrades. During the confrontation of this low life scum anti-fascists made sure to pop both of the NSMs’ front tires leaving them stuck in the lot and out a few hundred bucks, not including the tow we are sure they needed.”

Las Vegas, NV – June- As *TTT* went to press, we learned of a planned anti-immigrant rally by the NSM on June 25. Local anti-fa were planning to give them the un-welcome they deserve.

ANTI-RACIST ACTION NETWORK FOUR POINTS OF UNITY

- 1) WE GO WHERE THEY GO:** Whenever fascists are organizing or active in public, we’re there. We don’t believe in ignoring them or staying away from them. Never let the nazis have the street!
- 2) WE DON’T RELY ON THE COPS OR THE COURTS TO DO OUR WORK FOR US:** This doesn’t mean we never go to court, but the cops uphold white supremacy and the status quo. They attack us and everyone that resists oppression. We must rely on ourselves to protect ourselves and stop the fascists.
- 3) NON-SECTARIAN DEFENSE OF OTHER ANTI-FASCISTS:** In ARA, we have lots of different groups and individuals. We don’t agree about everything and we have a right to differ openly. But in this movement an attack on one is an attack on us all. We stand behind each other.
- 4) We support abortion rights and reproductive freedom.** ARA intends to do the hard work necessary to build a broad, strong movement against racism, sexism, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, homophobia, transphobia, and discrimination against the disabled, the oldest, the youngest and the most oppressed people.
We want a free classless society. WE INTEND TO WIN!

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NOTE: ARA’s Four Points of Unity above were modified at the July conference and ratified on-line to include opposition to Islamophobia and systemic police abuse and repression.

Off the Nazis! ...but how?:

Potential and Limitations of Militant Anti-Fascism

by bajin <http://bringtheruckus.org/?q=node/134>

The following is an account and analysis of a recent confrontation between Neo-Nazis and militant antifascists in Trenton, New Jersey. We begin with the observation of a rising tide of radical right-wing populism and its concomitant militant white nationalism in the United States. Are the existing, traditional forms of resistance growing and evolving to contend with this new threat? Are our plans and actions matching, outpacing, or falling behind the enemy's forces?

In Trenton, New Jersey, we had a showdown.

Between April 15th and 16th, the National Socialist Movement (NSM) organized a public demonstration on the New Jersey State Capitol building steps in Trenton, New Jersey. The NSM is one of the largest neo-Nazi hate groups in the nation - a group that has been picking up members in recent years. You might remember seeing them playing a major role in anti-immigrant work in Arizona.

While many attended the permitted counter-demonstration on the 16th, not everyone was content to allow the Nazis (or the cops) that kind of peace. Anti-Racist Action (ARA) responded aggressively both days. As participants in these events, and as fellow comrades operating in the spirit of always learning from our mistakes and successes, we'd like to offer our account and analysis of events.

Timeline of Events

On April 15th 2011 at about 7 p.m. sixty neo-Nazis from the NSM held a conference at the 449 Club at 6 Pemberton Ave in Pemberton, NJ. The conference was interrupted by a nearby mob of thirty people from ARA dressed mostly in black and in masks who proceeded to fight the Nazis with pipes, baseball bats and stones. After the police arrived at the scene of the violent rumble the anti-fascists quickly left the area while the Nazis were left with bashed skulls and damaged property. According to infiltrators, four of the fascists were hospitalized while others checked into different hotels out of fear of more attacks. Only one person from ARA was injured while two others were arrested, charged with third-degree inciting a riot and held at \$50,000 bail each. The ranks of those involved in the melee against the Nazis were made up of "people of color, working class, immigrants, women, queer, transgendered, and/or people on parole" who had mobilized from all over the country.

At the public demonstration on Saturday the 16th the Nazis were well protected by hundreds of riot cops armed with rifles, shotguns and armored cars. The fascists were bused in by police to the Statehouse, which was surrounded by a tightly sealed security perimeter that was only accessible through metal detectors, police pat downs and searches. The mostly black and Latino community of Trenton showed up to protest the Nazi rally in considerable numbers alongside such groups as the New Black Panthers Party and the Progressive Labor Party, not to mention up to a dozen undercover federal agents. After 90 minutes of their rally being greatly outnumbered the NSM then left the city in the state prison buses, but not without having to change routes as a result of ARA trying to intercept them with rocks and bricks. Shortly after the Nazis escaped Trenton the militants then proceeded to smash the windows of banks in the downtown area, including Bank of America and Citizens Bank.

The combative actions of Friday and Saturday were successful in many respects. The

"We are not interested in a polemic," -- but we got one anyway.

A response to Bring the Ruckus

by Jerry Bellow

I read with interest the recent article from Bring the Ruckus (or The Brigade, presumably some subset of BTR, which is itself a multi-tendency organization) concerning the recent Anti-Fascist events in and around Trenton NJ. It is clear that the author(s) or their informants were intimately in the actual actions, as I was. They seek to bring a critical perspective to what happened that weekend, and in some cases they are mostly dead on. With other conclusions, I feel as though they head in a direction that is dangerous to both the aboveground and underground portions of the movement.

BTR points out serious flaws in ARA's organizing leading up the public mobilization in Trenton. I agree that much more time and energy should have been spent out in the community, meeting people, explaining who we are, what we do, why we are there, and why it would be fun to join in.

In the organizing for ARA I have done in the past in the Midwest (mostly Ohio), a lot of time was spent on this sort of activity, both in big cities and in very small towns. The small towns were harder to do this in, because you are organizing among poor rural white folks, and there was always that fear that someone you met might be the enemy or one of their sympathizers. But, **We Go Where They Go** even if it's a space and place where their comfort level is much greater than our own.

Hub City ARA, which is the ARA Network chapter local to Trenton, didn't do enough of this base-building type work in a place where one could be 100% certain that the fascists had no sympathizers one might encounter unknowingly by chance. But each ARA chapter is autonomous, each has to organize permanently in its own community, and each has to deal with the political repercussions of its actions in the long term. How Hub City chose to turn a Neo-Nazi mobilization to its own local advantage is Hub City's choice, not the choice of the network as a whole.

To Hub City's credit, their local organizing leading up to the event centered on exposing the locations and (sex) crimes of local NSM members. Despite the overall lack of base building, the NSM now has zero chance of gaining a foothold or building a base in Trenton. We Go Where They Go, and Hub City ARA rooted them out and exposed them.

The other point BTR raises in their article, and the one I find problematic is this one: *"Doing the aboveground organizing in the same space and time as the underground organizing is strategically paralyzing and decreases the effectiveness of both the more and the less militant elements from pursuing their separate goals."*

attacks not only confronted the fascists and challenged the police state that protects them but also cast a looming shadow of doubt on the ability of liberal democracy to effectively oppose the rising tide of militant white nationalism in the United States. In comparison to the usual counter-protests that collaborate with the police and amount to little more than sign waving and shouting matches, the actions of ARA disrupted the actual logistical operations of the fascists.

Analysis of Planning and Strategy

The ARA planning sessions that took place before the actions revealed themselves to be practically irrelevant, in part due to unexpected arrests. Despite this, local crews continued with their own impromptu plans and kept a line of communication with each other. While we were victorious in many regards on Friday and Saturday, it goes without saying that serious limitations existed which must be honestly approached. We can never realize our potential without admitting failures in our overall strategy and methodology.

We are not interested in a polemic. We want to constructively push these actions in a more radical direction.

As it currently stands, those of us who identify as radical Anti-Fascists, or "Antifa," constitute an insular scene, not a social front. This is reflected in the fact that there was no strategy involving the community. The organizing and planning for the actions was entirely exclusive to ARA members, making it difficult for anyone outside of the circuit to usefully contribute or feel welcome at all. This was a major failure on our part. The planning meetings themselves entailed a contradictory balance between the fruitless planning of clandestine activities and organizing militant public protests. As a result, invited and vouched in newcomers as well as people with different levels of commitment felt very alienated and out of the loop.

While we understand the tensions inherent in organizing militant campaigns of this nature, we nonetheless take the advice of Sam Greenlee, Maxwell Stanford, Jr. and Russell Maroon Shoats in arguing for increased specialization between the aboveground and underground realms. We recognize (and support the fact) that ARA is flexible enough to contain both elements, but it must also be capable of clearly distinguishing between the two forms of work. Doing the aboveground organizing in the same space and time as the underground organizing is strategically paralyzing and decreases the effectiveness of both the more and the less militant elements from pursuing their separate goals.

It is no coincidence that black and brown community residents from Trenton on many occasions on Saturday did not distinguish between the Nazis and the white majority of anti-fascists from ARA et al. Of course, this was not monolithic; the leadership of black and Chicano activists from ARA was crucial, and several black folks even came off the sidewalk to join the so-called "black bloc." The wind, however, was not blowing in that direction. When our forces are seen by the communities we are allied with, the communities should be well-aware that we are their friends. We should have spent more time flyer-ing, door-knocking, and having open meetings in Trenton in the months, weeks, and days leading up to the events. Not to say that no valuable work was done, but there is much evidence to suggest that it was not enough.

Without generating our own image consciously, the only image we will be leaving so far is of a gang of mostly white people wearing black having some kind of turf war with some other white people wearing black. The community did not see us as allies, and that is the worst possible remark on any social battleground for us. When we have the platform to manipulate the ideological space of our social environment, we must use it responsibly and utilize all of the best available tactics for maximum effectiveness. We should not be content to rehash old formulas because they are conveniently a part of the tradition of our work. We want to win not just the battle, but the whole war.

Yours and theirs, Comrades from the Brigade

The conceptualization therein is a straw man. "More Militant" and "Less Militant" elements within ARA and within the anti-fascist movement do not have separate goals. They have one goal and that is to defeat and dismantle fascist organizations. "Elements" (or that is to say, people) are not more or less militant, tactics are more or less militant. People, as individuals, have more or less military capability.

The formulation that BTR suggests we use essentially places the more militarily capable people within the organization in a separate political and organizing space from the more aboveground and "less militant" (although it takes a lot of work to carry out militant action in broad daylight downtown) people. This is an error.

The clandestine operation, the sudden strike by night, the essentially more illegal actions with high potential for physical violence (which is what I think BTR means by "more militant") are tactics. These tactics must be employed from time to time, and the capability to employ these tactics must be built, honed and maintained for the sake of both effectiveness and credibility. Clandestine activity however, is still only a tactical adjunct to the core work of Anti-fascism, which is mass organizing.

Separating these elements leads to disaster in the long term. Time and again, revolutionary organizations have separated their clandestine elements from their mass elements, or failed to build mass elements at all. This leads to a focus and fetishizing of clandestine activity at the expense mass organizing and mass militancy.

As the clandestine political operator slides further down this road she or he becomes more and more separated from the masses, from dialogue with mass political organizing, with the realities of day to day life. When the Red Army Faction disbanded itself in 1998, one of the key self-criticisms they cited was a failure to engage in any above-ground work. They wrote:

"It Was A Strategic Mistake Not To Build Up A Political-Social Organization Alongside The Illegal, Armed Organization

"...In no phase of our [RAF's] history was an outreaching, political organization realized in addition to the political-military struggle. The concept of the RAF knew only the armed struggle, with a focus on the political-military attack."

In light of this, and the experiences of many clandestine underground organizations, the fault of ARA in Trenton was not the failure to separate the clandestine from public, but the failure to better coordinate the two. ARA and other antifa failed to communicate WHY we chose the tactic of wearing black, WHAT the relationship of this or that corporate institution is to fascism or WHY some of us chose to target them along with the open nazis. We failed to communicate why the population of Trenton should support us, why they should join us in these actions.

Separation would not have helped with that. Searching for new methods of communication, integration and inclusion are the way forward.

The Call for all Prisoners in Security Housing Units (SHUs)

By Mutope Duguma (s/n James Crawford)

This is a call for all prisoners in Security Housing Units (SHUs), Administrative Segregation (Ad-Seg), and General Populations (GP), as well as the free oppressed and non-oppressed people to support the indefinite July 1st 2011 *peaceful Hunger Strike* in protest of the violation of our civil/human rights, here at Pelican Bay State Prison Security Housing Unit (PBSP-SHU), short corridor D1 through D4 and its overflow D5 through D10.

It should be clear to everyone that none of the hunger strike participants want to die, but due to our circumstances, whereas that state of California has sentenced all of us on Indeterminate SHU program to a "civil death" merely on the word of a prison informer (snitch).

The purpose of the Hunger Strike is to combat both the Ad-Seg/SHU psychological and physical torture, as well as the justifications used to support treatment of the type that leads to prisoners being subjected to a civil death. Those subjected to indeterminate SHU programs are neglected and deprived of the basic human necessities while withering away in a very isolated and hostile environment.

Prison officials have utilized the assassination of prisoners' character to each other as well as the general public in order to justify their inhumane treatment of prisoners. The "code of silence" used by guards allows them the freedom to use everything at their disposal in order to break those prisoners who prison officials and correctional officers (C/Os) believe cannot be broken. It is this mentality that set in motion the establishing of the short corridor, D1 through D4 and its D5 though D10 overflow. This mentality has created the current atmosphere in which C/Os and prison officials agreed upon a plan to break indeterminate SHU prisoners. This protracted attack on SHU prisoners cuts across every aspect of the prison's function: Food, mail, visiting, medical, yard, hot/cold temperatures, privileges (canteen, packages, property, etc.), isolation, cell searches, family/friends, and socio-culture, economic, and political deprivation. This is nothing short of the psychological/physical torture of SHU/Ad-Seg prisoners. It takes place day in and day out, without a break or rest.

The prison's gang intelligence unit was extremely angered at the fact that prisoners who had been held in SHU under inhuman conditions for anywhere from ten (10) to forty (40) years had not been broken. So the gang intelligence unit created the "short corridor" and intensified the pressure of their attacks on the prisoners housed there. The object was to use blanket pressure to encourage these particular isolated prisoners to debrief (i.e. snitch in order to be released from SHU).

The C/Os and administrative officials are all in agreement and all do their part in depriving short corridor prisoners and its overflow of their basic civil/human rights. None of the deliberate attacks are a figment of anyone's imagination. These continuous attacks are carried out against prisoners to a science by all of them. They are deliberate and conscious acts against essentially defenseless prisoners.

It is these ongoing attacks that have led to the short corridor and overflow SHU prisoners to organize ourselves around an indefinite Hunger Strike in an effort to combat the dehumanizing treatment we prisoners of all races are subjected to on a daily basis. Therefore, on July 1, 2011, we ask that all prisoners throughout the State of California who have been suffering injustices in General Population, Administrative Segregation and solitary confinement, etc. to join in our peaceful strike to put a stop to the blatant violations of prisoners' civil/human rights. As you know, prison gang investigators have used threats of validation and other means to get prisoners to engage in a protracted war against each other in order to serve their narrow interests. If you cannot participate in the Hunger Strike then support it in principle by not eating for the first 24 hours. I say that those of you who carry yourselves as principled human beings, no matter your housing status, must fight to right this and other egregious wrongs. Although it is "us" today (united New Afrikans, Whites, Northern and Southern Mexicans, and others) it will be you all tomorrow. It is in your interests to peacefully support us in this protest today, and to beware of agitators, provocateurs, and obstructionists, because they are the ones who put ninety percent of us back here because they could not remain principled even within themselves. The following demands are all similar to what is allowed in other super max prisons (e.g. federal Florence, Colorado, Ohio and Indiana State Penitentiaries). The claim by CDCR and PBSP that implementing the practices of the federal prison system or that of other states would be a threat to safety and security are exaggerations.

The names of representatives of all major races listed as co-signers. The prisoners say they are "All races Whites; New Afrikans; Southern Mexs., and Northern Mexs." D. Troxell B-76578; T. Ashker C-58191; S.N. Jamaa--Dewberry C-35671; A. Castellanos C-17275; G. Franco, D-46556.

DEMANDS OF THE PBSP SHU D-CORRIDOR HUNGER STRIKE

Attention: Beginning July 1, 2011, several inmates housed indefinitely in PBSP-SHU D-Facility, Corridor Isolation, will begin an indefinite hunger strike in order to draw attention to, and to peacefully protest, 25 years of torture via CDCR's arbitrary, illegal, and progressively-more-punitive policies and practices, as summarized in the accompanying "Formal Complaint." PBSP-SHU, D-Facility Corridor inmates' hunger strike protest is to continue indefinitely until the following changes are made:

OUR FIVE CORE DEMANDS:

1. **Individual Accountability** - This is in response to PBSP's application of "group punishment" as a means to address individual inmates rule violations. This includes the administration's abusive use of a "safety and concern" pretext to justify what are unnecessary punitive acts. This policy has been applied in the context of justifying indefinite SHU status, and progressively restricting our programming and privileges.

2. **Abolish the Debriefing Policy, and Modify Active/Inactive Gang Status Criteria** - The debriefing policy is illegal and redundant, as pointed out in the Formal Complaint [IV-A, p. 7]. The Active/Inactive gang status criteria must be modified in order to comply with state law and applicable CDCR rules and regulations [eg, see Formal Complaint, p. 7, IV-B] as follows:

- A) Cease the use of innocuous association to deny inactive status,
- B) Cease the use of informant/debriefer allegations of illegal gang activity to deny inactive status, unless such allegations are also supported by factual corroborating evidence, in which case CDCR-PBSP staff shall and must follow the regulations by issuing a rule violation report and affording the inmate his due process required by law.

3. **Comply with US Commission 2006 Recommendations Regarding an End to Long-Term Solitary Confinement** - CDCR shall implement the findings and recommendations of the US commission on safety and abuse in America's prisons final 2006 report regarding CDCR SHU facilities as follows:

- A) **End Conditions of Isolation** (p. 14) Ensure that prisoners in SHU and Ad-Seg (Administrative Segregation) have regular meaningful contact and freedom from extreme physical deprivations that are known to cause lasting harm. (pp. 52-57)

B) **Make isolation a Last Resort** (p. 14). Create a more productive form of confinement in the areas of allowing inmates in SHU and Ad-Seg [Administrative Segregation] the opportunity to engage in meaningful self-help treatment, work, education, religious, and other productive activities relating to having a sense of being a part of the community.

C) **End Long-term Solitary Confinement.** Release inmates to general prison population who have been warehoused indefinitely in SHU for the last 10 to 40 years (and counting).

D) **Provide SHU Inmates Immediate Meaningful Access to:**

- i) adequate natural sunlight
- ii) quality health care and treatment, including the mandate of transferring all PBSP-SHU inmates with chronic health care problems to the New Folsom Medical SHU facility.

4. **Provide Adequate Food** - cease the practice of denying adequate food, provide wholesome nutritional meals including special diet meals, and allow inmates to purchase additional vitamin supplements.

A) PBSP staff must cease their use of food as a tool to punish SHU inmates.

B) Provide a sergeant/lieutenant to independently observe the serving of each meal, and ensure each tray has the complete issue of food on it.

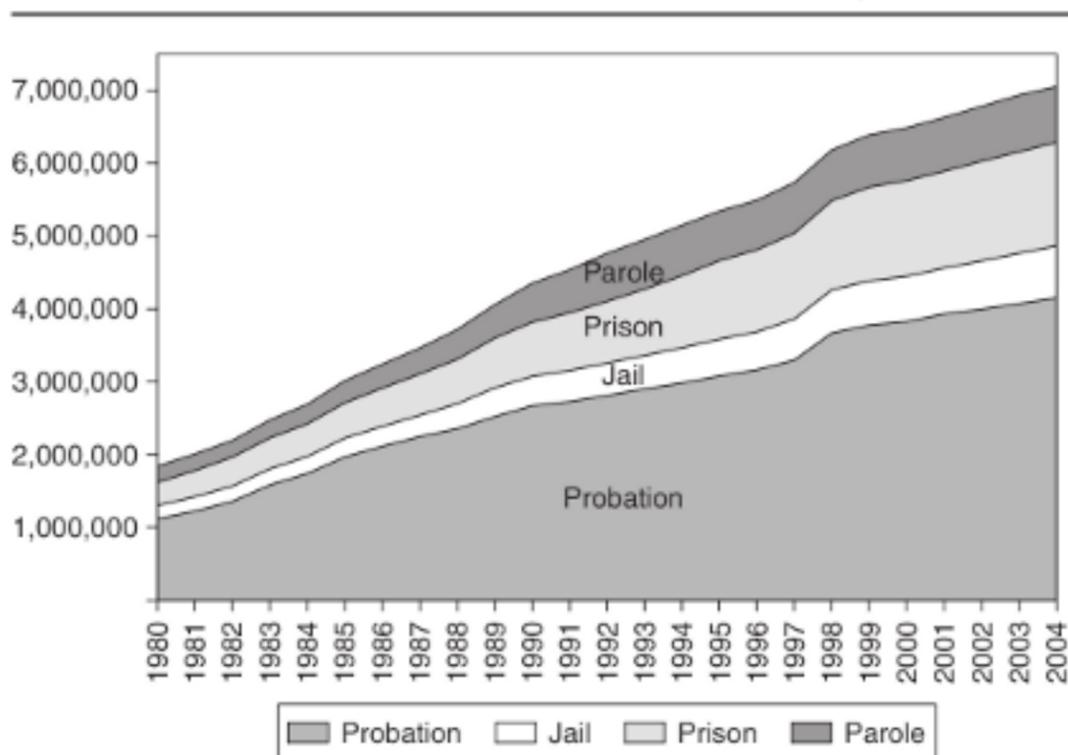
C) Feed inmates who serve SHU meals with meals separate from pans of food sent from kitchen for SHU meals.

5. **Expand and Provide Constructive Programming and Privileges for Indefinite SHU Status Inmates.**

Examples include:

- A) Expand visiting regarding amount of time and adding one day per week.
- B) Allow one photo per year.
- C) Allow a weekly phone call.
- D) Allow Two (2) annual packages per year; 30-lb. based on net weight and not packaging and box wt.
- E) Expand canteen and package items allowed. Allow us to have the items in their original packaging [the cost for cosmetics, stationary, envelopes, should not count towards the max draw limit]
- F) More TV channels.
- G) Allow TV/Radio combinations, or TV and small battery operated radio
- H) Allow Hobby Craft Items - paper, colored pens, small pieces of colored pencil, watercolors, chalk etc
- I) Allow sweat suits and watch caps.
- J) Allow wall calendars.
- K) Install pull-up/dip bars on SHU yards.
- L) Allow correspondence courses that require proctored exams.

FIGURE 1
CORRECTIONAL POPULATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES, 1980-2004



Anti-Racist Action-LA calls for an outside solidarity fast to support PBSP-SHU Hunger-Strikers! Call 310-495-0299.

Sign the on-line support petition:

<http://www.change.org/petitions/support-prisoners-on-hunger-strike-at-pelican-bay-state-prison>

ANONYMOUS DECLARATION OF FREEDOM

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Since its inception, the internet has provided new ways for people all over the world to exercise the rights of free speech, freedom of the press and freedom of assembly. These rights are not simply the benefits of a free society--they are the very means of preserving that society's freedom. The recent increase in government interference with these freedoms coincides with the failure of the corporate media to fulfill their vital role in checking the abuse of authority. Censorship and journalistic abdication have left citizens unaware and unable to hold their governments accountable.

WikiLeaks has moved to fill the void left by traditional news media, providing the necessary information for citizens to hold their governments to account. Yet it has not been granted the legal protections generally afforded to journalists. Instead, the organization has been vilified and monetary support has been blocked by governments and private corporations. The vitriol aimed at WikiLeaks demonstrates an unsettling disregard for the fundamental freedom to exchange information and express ideas. Members of a free society must not allow information to be suppressed simply because it inconveniences those in power. We share the responsibility to defend vital liberties. The time to act is now.

We are Anonymous, a leaderless movement that has worked tirelessly to oppose all forms of Internet censorship worldwide, from DMCA abuses to government mandated content filters. Our initiatives include supporting dissenting groups in Iran, Zimbabwe and Tunisia, as well as waging the highly visible information battle against the Church of Scientology. We are now prepared to take the fight to the world stage. Join us on January 15th for the first in a series of global protests in defense of WikiLeaks and freedom of expression. Stand with us to defend your freedoms.

Visit <http://whyweprotest.net> to find out how you can participate.

**We Are Anonymous
And So Are You**

Anonymous Message to NATO

Greetings, members of NATO. We are Anonymous. In a recent publication, you have singled out Anonymous as a threat to "government and the people." You have also alleged that secrecy is a 'necessary evil' and that transparency is not always the right way forward.

Anonymous would like to remind you that the government and the people are, contrary to the supposed foundations of "democracy", distinct entities with often conflicting goals and desires. It is Anonymous' position that when there is a conflict of interest between the government and the people, it is the people's will which must take priority. The only threat transparency poses to government is to threaten government's ability to act in a manner which the people would disagree with, without having to face democratic consequences and accountability for such behaviour. Your own report cites a perfect example of this, the Anonymous attack on HBGary. Whether HBGary were acting in the cause of security or military gain is irrelevant - their actions were illegal and morally reprehensible. Anonymous does not accept that the government and/or the military has the right to be above the law and to use the phoney cliché of "national security" to justify illegal and deceptive activities. If the government must break the rules, they must also be willing to accept the democratic consequences of this at the ballot box. We do not accept the current status quo whereby a government can tell one story to the people and another in private. Dishonesty and secrecy totally undermine the concept of self rule. How can the people judge for whom to vote unless they are fully aware of what policies said politicians are actually pursuing?

When a government is elected, it is said to "represent" the nation it governs. This essentially means that the actions of a government are not the actions of the people in government, but are actions taken on behalf of every citizen in that country. It is unacceptable to have a situation in which the people are, in many cases, totally and utterly unaware of what is being said and done on their behalf - behind closed doors.

Anonymous and WikiLeaks are distinct entities. The actions of Anonymous were not aided or even requested by WikiLeaks. However, Anonymous and WikiLeaks do share one common attribute: They are no threat to any organization - unless that organization is doing something wrong and attempting to get away with it.

We do not wish to threaten anybody's way of life. We do not wish to dictate anything to anybody. We do not wish to terrorize any nation.

We merely wish to remove power from vested interests and return it to the people - who, in a democracy, it should never have been taken from in the first place. The government makes the law. This does not give them the right to break it. If the government was doing nothing underhand or illegal, there would be nothing "embarrassing" about Wikileaks revelations, nor would there have been any scandal emanating from HBGary. The resulting scandals were not a result of Anonymous' or Wikileaks' revelations, they were the result of the CONTENT of those revelations. And responsibility for that content can be laid solely at the doorstep of policymakers who, like any corrupt entity, naively believed that they were above the law and that they would not be caught.

A lot of government and corporate comment has been dedicated to "how we can avoid a similar leak in the future". Such advice ranges from better security, to lower levels of clearance, from harsher penalties for whistleblowers, to censorship of the press.

Our message is simple: Do not lie to the people and you won't have to worry about your lies being exposed. Do not make corrupt deals and you won't have to worry about your corruption being laid bare. Do not break the rules and you won't have to worry about getting in trouble for it.

Do not attempt to repair your two faces by concealing one of them. Instead, try having only one face - an honest, open and democratic one.

You know you do not fear us because we are a threat to society. You fear us because we are a threat to the established hierarchy. Anonymous has proven over the last several years that a hierarchy is not necessary in order to achieve great progress - perhaps what you truly fear in us, is the realization of your own irrelevance in an age which has outgrown its reliance on you. Your true terror is not in a collective of activists, but in the fact that you and everything you stand for have, by the changing tides and the advancement of technology, are now surplus to requirements.

ANONYMOUS DECLARATION OF WAR

<http://www.whatis-theplan.org>

Become a member and join us as we initiate a movement for real change.

"The Plan" 1 year. 3 phases. A world of change.

Share this message with everyone you can.

PHASE 1: Better yourself. Spread the message. Be the message.

*Educate yourself on the depths of the system, the functions put it place to inhibit true freedom as well as the mechanisms within the system that motivate the masses to subconsciously accept giving up those freedoms. The structures within the system that promote division within the people of the countries of this world and the injustices that are placed upon the people.

*Spread the message. Share this video and the website with everyone you can. Make your own videos, songs, art, graffiti etc... spreading the word that we are here, the movement is taking hold. Expect us.

*Learn ways that will allow you to break free from the system. Start small and implement them in your daily lives. This will be implemented as a focus of Phase 2 as well, escalating what you have learned.

*ANON hackers - begin supporting the movement. This is a calling to all of you for the aid of this movement. Low-priority targets are your engagement. Assist with the movement and spread the message of "The Plan".

**The resistance is here.
Expect us.**

Finally, do not make the mistake of challenging Anonymous. Do not make the mistake of believing you can behead a headless snake. If you slice off one head of Hydra, ten more heads will grow in its place. If you cut down one Anon, ten more will join us purely out of anger at your trampling of dissent.

Your only chance of defeating the movement which binds all of us is to accept it. This is no longer your world. It is our world - the people's world.

**We are Anonymous.
We are legion.
We do not forgive.
We do not forget.
Expect us...**

Anonymous Anti-Fascist Hackers Destroy White Supremacist Websites

Just days after Anonymous Anti-Fascists attacked and defaced nearly a dozen white supremacist websites and online stores, another two neo-nazi websites and forums were hit at wpww-thefolk.com and prideandhonor.net. Yet again, a database of private messages, passwords, addresses and email correspondence has been released including dox on the webmasters James Milne and Alexander Zoller. We bet the supporters of Jim's failed electoral campaign for city council as well as his Tea Party friends at GiveMeLiberty.org will be surprised of his neo-nazi activities. We did this for the June 11 international day of solidarity with long-term anarchist prisoners as well as with all those fighting racist oppression whether it be at the hands of the government, police, nazis, minuteklan, or other right-wing extremists.

James Milnes, a nazi skinhead in Sioux Falls SD, runs several white supremacist websites and has worked for Aryan Nations, Knights of the Nordic Order, Pride and Honor, and several Tea Party, 912 and militia groups. So we owned his websites, personal gmail and hotmail account, godaddy.com account, facebook, paypal, campaignforliberty.com account, meetup.com account, and more. His private emails which date back to 2006 are especially embarrassing including nude pictures and cyber sex videos with him and his current wife Kristy Howe (who attends National Socialist Movement rallies), custody disputes over his daughter Brianna with his ex-wife, his tax forms, resume, and bitter arguments between former Aryan Nations members and current leader August Kriess III (who after losing his legs is now also facing prison time for fraud).

No doubt Jim will be absolutely devastated when he realizes that all his websites destroyed and that his racist activities and humiliating personal information were exposed for the world to see. This is what happens when you attempt to spread racist hatred: you'll be targeted and destroyed.

"NEWP and everything connected with them, the store, AVM, OWP even his paypal were hacked yesterday Last night. They have everyone's name, passwords and personal information and it is on the net for download I got this early this morning. Do what you gotta do folks, this is bullshit and you know how much we can count on the cops to do anything about it, seems to be the same people involved in the assault at the library where they are bragging about hitting people with padlocks and chairs. Why must the world just keep pissing me off more every day, is this a test or something?"

If you missed the #TotalDestroyThursday newp.org / local1488.com hack:

<http://www.zone-h.org/mirror/id/14178785>

FOR A WORLD WITHOUT BORDERS, PRISONS, AND RACIST HATRED - SMASH WHITE SUPREMACY!

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#opblitzkrieg #anonops #lulzsec #operationpayback #anonymouanarchist #anokchan

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College: Enrolled at Southeast Tech
GoDaddy.com account: 36546256 Pass: nopchereWN14
His CampaignForLiberty.com account: u: red_haint p: skippy79
<http://www.tnchildsupportpayment.com> Username: J_Milne Password: skippy79!User: membershipdirector@aryan-nations.org Password: 14hundredand44
FTP address: <ftp://wpww-thefolk.com> username: wpwwthef FTP password: skippy79
His failed attempt to run for Sioux Falls City Council Central District:<http://www.southdacola.com/blog/2010/01/sf-central-district-council-candidate-james-milnes-campaign-platform/>

Anti-Racist Actions

Calendar July-September

Wed. July 6, 8 AM -Stop FBI repression, Drop the

Charges on Carlos Montes demonstration, Alhambra

Saturday, July 16, 5 PM Jericho Amnesty Movement

So Cal Library, 6120 S. Vermont Av. LA (meets 3rd Sat.)

Saturday, July 23, 10-4 Peoples Climate Justice Conference

(initiated by GrassrootsKPFK) Location TBA

August 6, 1 PM Alliance of White Anti-Racists Every-

where (AWARE) (meets 1st Sat.) 4953 Franklin Ave, LA

Saturday, Aug. 13, MLK Coalition for Jobs, Justice &

Peace, 6120 S. Vermont Ave. (meets 2nd Sat of month)

Aug 19-20, Washington DC National Strategy Conf. to

Free Unjustly Incarcerated & Political Prisoners -check for

registration: www.theJerichoMovement.com

September 16-18 Anti-Racist Action Network Gathering,

Chicago IL - check for registration: www.antiracistaction.org

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