

AGAINST NAZI TERROR, INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY: No Nazis in L.A. April 17 Liberation and Human Rights for Communities in Struggle

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The “National Socialist Movement” (NSM), a neo-nazi formation with a base in Riverside CA and units around the US, has issued a call for a national gathering of their organization in Los Angeles. It features a rally on Saturday, April 17 at noon on the lawn of L.A. City Hall, for which they have already applied for and received a permit. They will be bringing a substantial number of uniformed nazi thugs and boneheads from around the US as part of their so-called “Reclaim the Southwest Campaign.” The NSM boasts of being the oldest and largest nazi outfit in the U.S., but their public modus operandi is always hiding behind the skirts of the police. They pose a clear and serious threat of racist and sexist violence, which always follows open nazi organizing. Two years ago, when a similar nazi group rallied in L.A. to commemorate the death of a founder of the racist Silent Brotherhood Aryan underground, several of their members were involved in a racist stabbing incident against two Black men on their way into town from the Inland Empire.

The NSM openly advocates a “white America,” and the subjugation or extermination of people of color, Jews, disabled people and gays. Too many people have died at the hands of such nazis, too many people sacrificed too much to eliminate the scourge of Nazism and fascism, to allow such a campaign to go forward without effective and overwhelming opposition.

the existing system. Liberal opposition tends to portray Nazis as “hateful extremists” and sometimes lump them together with white anti-racists and Black or Mexicano radicals. Liberal anti-fascism also relies on the police to “maintain peace,” conceding the power of the state, which always protects the nazis in the name of “free speech.” Some even recommend ignoring the Nazis. But it is essential to expose the cowardly nature of the Nazis, as well as the reactionary, pro-imperial nature of their politics, by manifesting a strong, public opposition based on pro-liberation, anti-colonial and anti-imperialist politics, supporting the right to self-determination and self-defense, and independent direct action. It’s important to allow for diversity of tactics, but it’s not simply a question of what tactics to use against Nazis.

Too often, even militant anti-racists, socialists and anarchists opposed to the Nazis have operated without regard to questions of self-determination and international solidarity, instead functioning independently of the leadership of anti-colonial liberation forces. It is essential, here in Los Angeles, that opposition to the nazis be based on support for indigenous and Mexicano sovereignty, African liberation, migrant rights and decolonization for Asian and other oppressed people. We need to oppose not only the Nazis, but also racism, sexism, empire, homophobia and the oppression of disabled people. The provocation by the NSM provides an important opportunity to bring home the point that counter-action and initiatives must be based on such positive principles and on anti-colonial leadership. It is an opportunity to build the unity and solidarity of the people the Nazis target, as well as a mandate for people of European descent to stand up against, oppose and help uproot white supremacy.

A little history is pertinent to the importance of organized anti-fascist action led by liberation forces. In 1981, the Ku Klux Klan scheduled a rally in Washington DC to celebrate the election and inauguration of Ronald Reagan (whom they had endorsed, and who had announced his candidacy in Philadelphia, Mississippi, where civil rights workers Schwerner, Cheney and Goodman were assassinated by the KKK with police compliance). Massive community opposition by local Black DC residents, supported by a national mobilization called by, among others, the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee, a group of European-descent anti-racists in solidarity with the Black liberation struggle, broke up the Klan rally and chased off the Klansmen.

Here in Los Angeles in 1992, the neo-nazi Populist Party, fronted by Black pseudo-nationalist Robert Brock, put on a program in south-central L.A., denying Hitler’s genocide against European Jews. They dishonestly claimed the participation of Prof. Jeffries from NY and the local Committee Against Black Exploitation in the film industry. The Malcolm X Grassroots Movement, supported by ARA-LA/People Against Racist Terror, called a counter-demonstration, exposing the lies propagated by both the Nazis and the Zionist Anti-Defamation League. The LAPD ran riot against community opponents of the Nazi gathering, probably one of the factors that fueled the ‘92 rebellion. More recently in Los Angeles, a counter-demonstration with leadership from the Black Riders Liberation Party, the Puerto Rican Alliance and Union del Barrio silenced

and neutralized a Crenshaw-area rally by the racist Minuteman group and their reactionary Black front-man Ted Hayes, who were attempting to provoke Black-Brown contradictions. In that case, the police pulled the permit the racists had for Leimert Park, and they were never allowed to enter the park. These were important victories in which there was clear internationalist leadership.

However, there are other, less successful examples. In 1983, here in L.A., the Nazis, the Aryan Nations, the Klan, and Metzger’s White Aryan Resistance, were able to hold a triple cross burning in the San Fernando Valley/Sunland area. They did so with the complicity of the LAPD and the compliance of the racist Zionist Jewish Defense League, which had advance intelligence on the time and place of the cross-burning. Several of the racists involved later became fugitives as members of “the Order” Aryan underground, responsible for a number of racist killings and robberies. In Toledo, OH, 3 years ago, the NSM called a “pro-police” rally and march in the Black community. Anti-Racist Action and local anarchists called a counter-action, but the principal response and opposition arose spontaneously from local Black residents outraged at the Nazis and their police protectors. A police riot and mini-rebellion ensued, in which police brutalized community people and made mass arrests, out of which several people were eventually imprisoned on felony charges, despite ARA support for legal defense efforts.

In Riverside CA last year, the NSM was able to hold a second rally, after their first one was dispersed by militant opponents (while liberal forces held a counter-rally several miles away). At the second rally, police were in massive control, as the dominant anti-nazi forces accepted police “free speech” pens – big metal grates separating them from the Nazis. The Brown Berets on the one hand, and direct action anarchist anti-fascists on the other, were isolated and either subjected to arrest or marginalized. The lessons from those experiences point to the need for united action based on international solidarity, and respect for self-determination and self-defense, to lead the anti-fascist protests that are sure to emerge.

In the current period, the Nazis are attempting to ‘seize the time’ of the deepening economic crisis of militarism, unemployment, foreclosures and austerity in education and social services to project themselves as a pseudo-revolutionary alternative to business as usual. But they do this by scapegoating African and indigenous people, migrants, Muslims, Jews, LGBTQ people and the left. Opposing them means putting forward that authentic anti-imperialist social transformation and de-colonization is the only solution to the crisis of the empire. Such a pole of attraction can win over the poor and working people of all nationalities who are increasingly disillusioned with and frustrated by corporate domination and politics as usual.

Recent scheduled rallies on March 20 by the NSM and their nazi and Aryan “kin” in Chicago IL and Austin TX, Vancouver BC and Calgary were all dismal failures met with strong resistance. Let’s build on those anti-nazi victories, and give the NSM the “welcome” they deserve in L.A. All who are committed to joint anti-imperialist anti-fascist work, on the basis of international solidarity

Open Nazis are not the main enemy in a struggle against colonialism, capitalism and imperialism, but they are a significant element, particularly in a period of ongoing economic crisis and political instability within the belly of the beast. The National Socialist Movement and similar open fascist forces are seeking greater political legitimacy. They want greater influence within larger white nationalist and reactionary social and political forces, such as the anti-immigrant movement, the “tea-baggers,” and the re-emerging militia movement. An associate of the NSM in Phoenix is a Republican Party Committeeman, and a pal of anti-migrant Sheriff Joe Arpaio. Another associate was recently busted in Louisville KY for posting a threat to the life of the president on an NSM chat-site, “NewSaxon.” NSM members and other nazis, including some from white power street and prison gangs involved in drug dealing and other criminal behavior, have been making veiled and open threats against anti-fascist organizers. It’s important to expose and defeat their attempts at intimidation, and in fact the counter-organizing has grown with every threat.

The NSM and similar nazi forces base themselves on two key elements: they present themselves as a paramilitary type operation prepared to use violence (and in fact are violence-prone, promoting racist, anti-migrant, anti-Semitic, anti-gay and anti-communist bullying). And they falsely claim to be anti-capitalist revolutionaries (as did Hitler). Liberal opponents essentially concede these strong points to the nazis, because they only want to defend “multi-racial democracy and tolerance” within

RACISTS HAVE NO CHANCE



IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

and support for self-determination and self-defense, are invited to participate in a campaign to send the nazis packing.

The points of unity of the No Nazis in L.A. Coalition are:

No Nazis in L.A.! Flush ‘em out and send ‘em packing!

Human Rights and Liberation for Black, Brown, Native, Asian, LGBTQ, disabled and all poor and working people!

No to racism, sexism, imperialism, anti-semitism and genocide!

We will not accept penning by the police, and we respect tactical diversity.

There will be a mobile counter-demonstration for the April 17 nazi rally, starting at 10:00 AM before the Nazi rally is scheduled to begin at City Hall. We will gather at the Triforium in the park on the corner of Temple and Main, diagonally across from City Hall on the north and then form a moving picket line around City Hall. We are also undertaking intelligence gathering on what other activities the nazis may have planned for the weekend, through Hitler’s birthday on April 20. We want to turn over whatever rocks they’re hiding under, and expose them to the people. People will be coming from all over California and from elsewhere around the US to show this national gathering of Nazis what we think of ‘em. A coalition of Black, Mexicano/indigenous, Asian, Jewish, European and other anti-fascists has been meeting regularly, and we anticipate that other groups will also be gathering to counter-protest the nazis in various ways and behind various banners.

Please call Anti-Racist Action-LA/People Against Racist Terror (ARA-LA/PART) at **310-495-0299**, or email **antiracistaction_la@yahoo.com** for more information. Please let us know about nazi sightings or activity in your area, or if you have other intelligence to share. You can download bilingual English-Spanish flyers for the counter-demonstration from www.antiracistaction.org. (Click on resources, then flyers, look under “Los Angeles.”) If you want to tell the city to stop wasting their money protecting Nazi lowlives, call Mayor Villaraigosa and the L.A. city council members at 311.

¡Dales La Bota al Mitin de Los Nazis en Los Angeles! ¡Construye Resistencia Comunitaria!

El grupo racista Nazi “National Socialist Movement” (NSM) esta planeando un mitin publica en la alcaldía de la ciudad de Los Angeles el dia sabado 17 de abril, las 12:00 de mediodia. Estos desgraciados neo-nazi/torpes, protegidos por LAPD (policía de Los Angeles) tienen la agenda racista de conmemorar el cumpleaños de Hitler y lancer su campaña de “reclamar el suroeste” y subjugar o eliminar a gente de color, negros, Mexicanos/indigenos, Asiaticos, Judios, y gays. Este racismo perverso esta basado en organizar con intención de hacer daño fisico y ataques a las minorias. ¡No Vamos Permitir que Salgan con Estas Movidas!

‘NSM’ es formado y guiado por criminales y neo-nazis y participan y promueve actos de violencia. Buscan a reunir con otros grupos racistas y reaccionarias como Ku Klux Klan (KKK), “tea-party” activistas de nacionalismo blanco, y las fuerzas anti-migrante represivas. La ciudad va a gastar una fortuna para policia que los defiende. Llame a la ciudad

al 3-1-1, para contactar al Alcalde Villarraigosa y el Concilio y expresar su opinion de no gastar y desperdiciar dinero en proteyendo a los Nazis.

La Coalición “No Nazis in L.A.” presenta una contra-movilización para denunciar al racismo y facismo, y para defender los derechos humanos, justicia y liberación. La mejor defensa contra taticas racistas y violencia sexista es una fuerte resistencia comunitaria. Unete y apoya esta manifestación para decir “¡No y Fuera a Los Nazis! ¡Derechos Humanos, justicia y liberación para Africanos, Mexicanos, indigenos, Asiaticos, y todos los pobres y trabajadores!”

Reunimos a las 10 de la mañana, el dia sabado 17 de abril, frente del “Triforium” en la esquina de Temple y Main, por atras de la alcaldía, y vamos a marchar en un piquete alrededor de la alcaldía. Para mas información, llame a “Acción Anti-Racista,” **310-495-0299** o por correo electronico **antiracistaction_la@yahoo.com**

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- 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.
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- 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 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, homophobia, and discrimination against the disabled, the oldest, the youngest and the most oppressed people. We want a free classless society.

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Open Letter from Pam Africa:

WE NEED YOUR HELP ... AGAIN ... FOR JUSTICE FOR MUMIA!

Dear Friends and Supporters of Mumia Abu-Jamal

The time has come to ante up for Mumia. We are writing to invite you to join our Civil Rights Investigation Campaign (CRIC) on behalf of Mumia Abu-Jamal with your checkbooks and credit cards. As many of you know, the campaign is urging the U.S. Justice Department to open an investigation into the decades-long violations of Mumia's civil rights.

As you also probably know, Mumia recently suffered a setback when the U.S. Supreme Court ruled for the Philadelphia district attorney, vacating earlier rulings that had overturned the death penalty and granted a new sentencing-phase trial. Now, the Third Circuit Court will decide whether or not to execute Mumia without having a new sentencing trial. It's no exaggeration to say that Mumia's life is in grave danger ... more than ever.

We believe that this campaign, which has already won national and international support and generated tens of thousands of letters and petitions to Attorney General Eric Holder, can positively change Mumia's fate. The campaign's supporters include the NAACP, the Riverside Church Prison Ministry, dozens of international unions, WESPAC; actress Ruby Dee; former U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark; Professors Cornel West, Noam Chomsky, and Henry Louis Gates; U.S. Congressman Charles Rangel; and former U.S. Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney. (For current lists of national and international organizations and individuals that support the campaign, see our web site www.freemumia.com under "Join the Campaign" and scroll to the bottom).

But the campaign can't move forward to fulfill its promise and possibilities without material support. We must produce more palms cards, fliers, petitions, and buttons; make banners; rent buses to Washington; pay for use of the Press

March 19, 2010 Club. We pay for our meeting space, invest in video supplies, overnight mail documents to Mumia to assure delivery, copy materials and even prepare to host some of the scheduled international visitors and participants in the meeting with the Department of Justice. Now is the time to do everything we can to fight for Mumia's life.

We will return to Washington, DC, on April 26 (two days after Mumia's 56th birthday) with busloads of supporters and boxloads of petitions in Phase 2 of the CRIC. (Phase 1 ended on November 12, 2009, when we delivered thousands of petitions to the Justice Department chief of the Civil Rights Division.) This time we hope to meet with officials to make our case in person.

We can't control the courts. But we can invest in an alternative strategy that may very likely have results leading to a new trial. And exoneration.

Here's how you can help. You can make a tax-deductible donation to the Free Mumia Abu-Jamal Coalition (NYC) by going to our Web site, www.freemumia.com, and clicking on "Please donate to the struggle for Mumia's freedom" at the right. PayPal takes it from there. Or you can send a check made out to "IFCO/Free Mumia Coalition" to the Free Mumia Abu-Jamal Coalition (NYC), P.O. Box 16, College Station, New York, NY 10030. All money will be shared by the International Concerned Family & Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal and the Free Mumia Abu-Jamal Coalition (NYC). We also hope you can be with us in Washington, DC on Monday, April 26.

We understand that the fight for freedom is not free. It takes some money. Many of you have come forward in the past and contributed to this critical fight. We hope you can help us help Mumia again this time.

Free Mumia and All Political Prisoners! Ona Move!

Pam Africa, International Concerned Family and Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal

Apartheid Schools

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Generations after the alleged landmark decision, *Brown v. Bd of Education* (1954), which outlawed segregation in public schools, millions of American students trudge every day to what can only be called Apartheid schools.

The schools are not only predominantly Black and Latino, but they're invariably under funded, poorly resourced, badly staffed, and woefully shabby.

States and local governments customarily divert funding to white and suburban schools, which often look more like college campuses; a sharp contrast to urban schools, which look like, smell like, and operate like juvenile prisons.

In Jonathan Kozol's 2005 book, *Shame of the Nation* (Three Rivers Press) is found a wealth of tales from half a dozen states, documenting the immense and horrific damage done to millions of Black and Latino children, who are taught, daily, that their dreams, hopes and lives are of little social worth.

They are children of *No Child Left Behind*, a punitive and repressive law, which subjects them to mindless tests, which only serve to undermine real learning, discourages real teachers, and enriches testing agencies. It is called education, but it kills the mind.

And what is the Obama administrations response? Mend it; don't end it. An act that has caused so much social carnage as this! Why can't it be repealed?

No Child Left Behind has been a disaster. Isn't it time to end it?

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Voices Through the Wall will showcase what the incarcerated have to offer to the public. We value quality writing that takes thoughtful, constructive

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Submission deadline: April 1, 2010

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NAZI NO-SHOWS: VANCOUVER, CALGARY, WACO, CHICAGO

Several recent scheduled Nazi rallies on March 20 and March 21 in the US and Canada were dismal failures for the fascists, who were mainly no-shows, and often a sparkling success for anti-fascist and anti-racist groups. Here are a couple of reports:

CHICAGO: HOW IT WENT DOWN

It was a beautiful spring Sunday afternoon where the Illinois National Socialist Front was supposed to march for "White Pride World Wide." But for the few Nazis that dared show their face in the city of Chicago, there was nothing but a barrage of blows raining on their parade.

Southside ARA had been scouting in the downtown area early on, watching out for neo-Nazi skinheads and other white supremacists. Within minutes of their pathetic march of four boneheads waving white pride flags, clandestine anti-fascists took formation and confronted them, successfully delivering U-lock justice to the unsuspecting Nazi trash with trained precision. In broad daylight on Michigan Avenue, Nazis helplessly had flags ripped from their hands and were beaten down as pedestrians watched in awe. Later, a police car pulled up and arrested the bewildered and injured boneheads while the anti-fascists swiftly disappeared into thin air. Showing up seconds later, the pro-diversity / anti-hate rally laid the final icing on the cake by surrounding the humiliated and obviously defeated boneheads and taunted them with chants, holding a rally directly in the path of their march.

With only a handful of white supremacists willing to publicly show their faces, it was evident that local neo-Nazis were not willing to get behind the NSF. In fact, the NSF didn't even show up to their own march! Intelligence gathering showed that they had dropped out of participation just before the march and had handed it over to other local neo-Nazis, unwilling to complete what they had started.

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE NSF

Several months ago Chicagoland anti-fascists launched a campaign against the NSF utilizing a diversity of tactics including face to face confrontations, flyering the neighborhoods and schools of individual members, posting their home addresses and phone numbers. There were phone campaigns focusing on key Nazi organizers, and multiple cases of successful infiltration of their



ranks. These tactics have achieved successes in that the NSF has become ineffective. Six months ago they were openly organizing barbecues, protesting "black on white hate crimes," and the opening of a Holocaust Museum in Skokie. But their most recent attempt to march in Chicago was a complete failure. Their recruitment gatherings have dwindled, their website went down for a month at a crucial time for promoting the White Pride March, and they have not responded to phone calls or emails from people asking about public information concerning their events.

WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

While it is easy for us to see a neo-Nazi march as an intrusion of racism into our community, we must also address the way that racism affects our city on a daily basis. Two weeks ago, a homeowner in Mt. Greenwood posted a sign in his front yard stating "No to the Ghetto ... White Power" and if you read recent newspaper headlines you can see the aftermath of Jon Burge and the inherent

racism of the Chicago Police Department. Confronting neo-Nazis and other white nationalists is only the beginning of eliminating racism, and we intend to align with other organizations to further combat forms of racism that exist in extremist groups as well as in sectors of society that are less blatant yet no less important.

CONCLUSION

We effectively came together as a city to successfully kick the Nazis out of town. Fierce resistance was delivered and everyone got away without arrest or injury. To the defeated Nazi scum reading this, give it up! ARA is everywhere.

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REPORT FROM VANCOUVER

300 people gathered at Braid skytrain station on March 21 in solidarity with the International Day for the Elimination of Racism. "We're here to help end racism, in solidarity with those who died in South Africa in 1960 fighting the apartheid there," a masked anarchist explained. Groups present in the action included among others, Anti-Racist Action, the Anti-Poverty Committee, Progressive Cultural Center, No One Is Illegal, and the Communist Party of Canada. Also among the day's objectives was to confront a rumored neo-Nazi rally that was to begin at the same station. "Those boneheads will not be holding a hate rally in my town," said an adamant masked activist from SkinHeads Against Racial Prejudice (SHARP). The Anarchist contingent made up the front line confronting any white supremacists. Only one real confrontation occurred involving two persons who spat on the anti-racism banner, but quickly ran on-board a departing sky-train. Rally organizers called it a resounding success, and continued their demonstration downtown at the Vancouver Art Gallery, where they chased off a further three neo-Nazis.

White Supremacist Gets Three Years for Lying to Obtain Passport In L. A.

Based on a report by Dennis Romero in LA Weekly City News

Ross Hack, 38, drove to Los Angeles in the summer of 1998 to get a passport, and lied on the application. In December, he was sentenced to three years in federal prison for the crime. Investigators think there's more to Hack than just telling lies. The caper started in 1998 with the Fourth of July murders of Daniel Shersty and Lin "Spit" Newborn, leaders of the Las Vegas affiliate of Anti-Racist Action. An investigation led to Hack's residence, where authorities with a search warrant took Hack's passport, weapons and racist propaganda, according to a statement by the U.S. Department of Justice. Hack wasn't there, but officers left a note for him stating that they stopped by and took stuff. A few days later, he drove to L. A. to get a replacement passport. Hack lied on the application, saying he lost his last one. He soon fled to Europe and stayed there for six years.

John Butler, Hack's sister's boyfriend was convicted of murder in the double homicide. Federal authorities last year discovered that Hack was back in Vegas. Not only that, they say, he was active again in the white-power movement. In fact, he organized a 2008 rally, authorities said, where someone was nearly killed. When investigators interviewed him, he "admitted that he lied on the passport application because he feared he was being investigated in relation to the double homicide," according to the DOJ statement. If you think there might be more to the story than passport fraud, it seems the feds are thinking the same thing. "The case against Hack is part of an ongoing investigation being conducted by the FBI's Las Vegas Office, Civil Rights Division, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and the US Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service, Las Vegas and Los Angeles Offices," states the DOJ.

<http://blogs.laweekly.com/ladaily/city-news/alleged-white-supremacist-sent/>

LOVE Park 4 case update: Commonwealth appeals to State Court

Two and a half years since their case first began - and almost a year to the day since the trial judge first decided on the motion in question - the LOVE Park 4 defendants finally received some positive news about their case.

On December 1st, 2009, Common Pleas Court Judge Frank Palumbo re-affirmed a court order requiring prosecutors to disclose the names of the undercover narcotics officers involved in the 2007 altercation with protesters of a scheduled Ku Klux Klan rally in Center City that never actually happened. Palumbo denied the District Attorney's appeal of a ruling made Dec. 12, 2008 by Municipal Court President Judge Marsha H. Neifield. Palumbo gave prosecutors until Jan. 12 to decide if they will appeal to the state Superior Court. The city prosecutor argued last December that divulging the undercover officers' names would endanger them. But Neifield noted that even the prosecutor acknowledged that the officers' names had previously been disclosed when they testified in drug trials. Though concerned with the undercover officers' safety, Neifield said she was offended that police did not even anonymously mention the officers' presence in arrest reports for Schultz, Keenan, and Robbins. Without that information, which Neifield said was mandatory for prosecutors to disclose, it would be impossible for defense attorneys to prove their claim that undercover officers precipitated the confrontation. Cathie Abookire, spokesperson for the District Attorney's Office, said Palumbo's ruling was being reviewed, but a recent check to the defendant's dockets show that the Commonwealth has indeed

appealed to the State Superior Court. An appeal to the State Superior Court means the defendants will need additional money to pay their lawyers and cover the cost of transcripts and other legal filings. The LOVE Park 4 defendants wish to thank all those who have provided support thus far, and are asking that people join them in their fight against state oppression. You can donate via paypal or write to the LOVE Park 4 defense committee at: lovepark4@gmail.com <http://www.myspace.com/supportlovepark4>

The three anti-racist activists - Jared Schultz, Thomas Keenan, and Jason Robbins - were arrested July 23, 2007, near LOVE Park after they followed undercover narcotics officers who presented themselves as neo-Nazis. When the officers got into a waiting SUV, a verbal confrontation ensued revealing that the "neo-Nazis" were undercover cops. More curious was that they were sitting in a vehicle with FBI Special Agent Stephen Powell and Philadelphia Police Detective Sean Brennan both attached to the Joint Terrorism Task Force. To defense attorneys, these events sounded too much like the case against neo-Nazi Hal Turner*, whose job it was as a paid FBI informant to incite both anti-racists and other neo-Nazis to violence. Paul Hetznecker posed the question on many people's minds - is the federal government using informants in situations like the one in LOVE Park all across the country? Is there an official program to engage in this sort of behavior? (see http://www.northjersey.com/news/Records_show_feds_used_ultra-right_radio_host_for_years.html for more info on Hal Turner's escapades).



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Message to the Migrant Rights Movement Part 1: On Colonial Occupation

By Raúl Alcaraz, from Tohono O'odham lands, Southern Arizona, 26 February 2010 www.antifronteras.com

With Arizona state-sponsored anti-Raza, anti-migrant bills being seriously proposed left and right, increasing militarization and genocide at the U.S./Mexico border-murderlands, kidnappings, disappearances and separations of families through the form of raids, detentions and deportations, times are proving that “government is best which governs not at all.”

We are living under siege in “low-intensity” warfare that has the potential to escalate. Modern-day government sponsored legal segregation terrorism is at its finest. Despite the differences, countless folks have already compared the current migrant struggle to that of U.S.-based African folks during the Civil Rights and Black Liberation movements of the 1960's and 70's. There are many parallels in the oppression we face but not in resistance tactics. (Let me save that point for another “message”!)

But today, the Right Wing is right, very right! This is NOT our country, this is not our government, and these are not our institutions. I know it's a slippery slope so don't get it twisted, I am NOT proposing that we all get deported! But let's take a look back at herstory. This country, this government, these institutions were not built by “immigrants” alone (as many signs declare in street marches), they were built on the bloodshed of our Native, African and migrant ancestors combined. Our blood still stains capitol and Wall Street towers; our sweat, blood and tears can be found in southwestern railroads, modern highways and endless agricultural fields across the land. Bloodshed is splattered on concrete, on asphalt, on land, on dirt, on the very earth that sustains the riches of this country called the United States of America. So the Right is right: the KKK, the Minutemen, the politicians, la Migra, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Joe Arpaio—they're all right, none of this is ours; it was never meant for people like you or me to begin with. So why are we begging to get our share of the American apple pie? Why are we trying to reform colonization/slavery/capitalism? As W.E.B. DuBois would ask us, do we really believe we can reform the same systems that were created to oppress us?

What is ours is ancient and thousands of years old. Our indigenous ancestors migrated throughout these lands WITHOUT BORDERS thousands of years before any Niña, Pinta, Santa Maria or Mayflower ever dreamt of crossing the Atlantic Ocean. Colonization crossed us, the border crossed us and now we are living on occupied lands. The occupation is their dream; it's a colonial dream. European settlers landed, invaded, took over lands and set up their own systems. Occupation is a bloody thing as it imposes a foreign system on Native people. This is why today in 2010 Native land is still filled with their systems of oppression: their school system, their universities, their history books, their city councils, their supervisors, their mayors, their governors,

their president, their congress, their senate, their constitution, their electoral system, their Democrat and Republican parties, their stores, their malls, their corporations, their CEO's, their jobs, their money, their economic system, their hospitals, their religion, their churches, their marriage institutions, their real estate, their media, their police, their courts, their jails, their *migra*, their detention centers, their checkpoints, their immigration system, their citizenship papers, their borders, their army, their weapons, their tanks, their wars. The list can go on of things THEIRS NOT OURS. This country was/is built **by** us but NOT **for** us. That's why hundreds of years later, poor people and people of color are still segregated, still discriminated, still terrorized, still left on the margins of great white wealth.

Yes, we still live here and participate in this system, mostly because there is no other alternative, right? So what do we do? The question is overwhelming with over 500 years of political, economic and social context. Malcolm X and Zapatista principles come to mind: self-respect, self-defense and self-determination... But a proposal more specific and concrete than that? That is our responsibility to figure out as a community. We need to get creative, innovative and consult with community and seek guidance from elders and other liberation social movements that have used different methods of struggle. For now, all I propose is that we recognize the historical and current context of occupation and that we not become trapped or limited within colonial frameworks when developing visions and strategies for social change. Their system should not be the “end all/be all” of our visions for a better world. If we limit ourselves to the confines of their system, we have already lost from the very beginning and we ourselves will continue upholding the very same colonial structures we proclaim to defy. Like Audre Lord once declared: “We cannot take down the Master's house with the Master's tools.” We must stop defining ourselves and the Migrant Rights Movement on foreign ways of being, on their system, on the continuing occupation of our minds, bodies, hearts and souls.

We must reclaim/transform language and our points of view. The current debate on “borders” and “immigration reform” even from the so-called pro-migrant camp comes from within a colonial framework that lacks a social justice vision and never challenges borders or citizenship. Instead, the migrant rights movement Hispanic/White liberal establishment negotiates and collaborates with colonization and occupation.

With U.S. government-sponsored immigration raids, detentions, deportations, and genocide of our people and corporate interests increasing unemployment, poverty, imperialist wars and inaccessible health care at global levels, times are proving that “government [and corporations are] best which govern not at all.”

**Let's take it all back! ;YA BASTA!
;Un abrazo fuerte a tod@s mis compañer@s en la lucha!**

The Master's Narrative: Memes of Caste and the Anomaly of Histories

by Tupac Enrique Acosta

When the Adivasi, Indigenous Peoples of the Indian subcontinent, relate their experiences under the colonizing regimes that have swept their homelands, even references to Alexander the Great are preceded by the invasions of the Aryans. This introduced the “white” concept of human cultural identity and superiority as the determinant for the caste systems that continue to plague the cultural landscape of India even after five thousand years.

Fast forward to the current dialogue on race and institutionalized racism in US society that was intensified by the 2008 presidential campaign. Every day we see and HEAR echoes of the memes of caste that are reinforced every time the phrase “white people” or “white” is used to describe the European American populations of the United States. Perpetuation of a caste-based society would seem to be completely antithetical to the precepts of the “American Experiment of Democracy,” yet it remains embedded in the vernacular of public and private discourse regarding social relationships. It has roots in the Indo-European histories, but is codified in the US Civil Rights statutes as follows:

United States Code

TITLE 42, CHAPTER 21, SUBCHAPTER I, § 1981.

Equal rights under the law

(a) Statement of equal rights

All persons within the jurisdiction of the United States shall have the same right in every State and Territory to make and enforce contracts, to sue, be parties, give evidence, and to the full and equal benefit of all laws and proceedings for the security of persons and property *as is enjoyed by white citizens*, [emphasis added] and shall be subject to like punishment, pains, penalties, taxes, licenses, and exactions of every kind, and to no other.

Thus the connection is made institutionally and culturally via the jurisprudence of the Master's Narrative, between concepts of white citizen and WHITE PERSON, establishing legal personality within the US social construct as a function of relationship to the dominant “white” power structures of rights and obligations. The anomaly being the Nican Tlach Indigenous Peoples who supercede the US jurisdiction as sovereign confederations of nations holding treaty relationships with the US and other government states of the world.

Proposal: The historical moment of transformation which is evident nationally and globally, provides the opportunity to suggest a clarification in terms:

Specifically, TO EXCHANGE use of the term “WHITE”, “white citizen”, and “white person” with the term European-American in the public discourse on race and racism. If the term “Black” can be correlated with African-American, why cannot the same principle apply for the “whites”?

What prevents us from clarifying one of the terms of the social discourse involved in the experiment in American Democracy and let's see what happens. After all, the first victims of racism are the racists themselves, for what have they done to their own families and innocent children to produce such a culturally twisted and dehumanized constituency such as “white people” generation after generation?

Shall we collectively continue the experiment in democracy in this hemisphere, without perpetuating the institutionalizing of a continental affirmative action program of racism and superiority for one sector of society, the descendants of the European colonizers of the 15th century?



Editor's Note: A “meme” is a unit of cultural ideas, symbols or practices, which can be transmitted through writing, speech, gestures, rituals or other imitable phenomena. It is thought of as the mental equivalent of a gene, as it is considered to be self-replicating.

International Campaign in Support of Palestinian Political Prisoners

By Yousef Abudayyeh

<http://palestinethinktank.com/2010/03/24/international-campaign-in-support-of-palestinian-political-prisoners/>

The Free Palestine Alliance and Addameer are calling for days of action during the week of April 11 – 17 in support of Palestinian Political Prisoners.

April 17, 2010 marks the 34th anniversary of Palestinian Political Prisoners Day. As this historic and important day approaches, several Palestinian organizations and solidarity partners feel it is a critical time, now more than ever, to shed light on the unsung and sometimes forgotten heroes of the ongoing struggle to liberate Palestine. There are a total of 7,300 Arab prisoners. Among them are 33 women and 300 children. 400 are from Jerusalem and the 1948 occupied Palestinian areas, 745 from Gaza Strip, and 6,155 from the West Bank.

We encourage all to organize local events to spread awareness on this critical issue by holding workshops, teach-ins, film screenings and various activities throughout the week.

On Saturday April 17, 2010, bring together community and allies to fly kites in support of the thousands of Palestinian political prisoners.

For more information visit:

www.freepalestinianprisoners.com

More on Prisoners' Day from PFLP's 2008 appeal: www.pflp.ps/english/?q=editorial-palestinian-prisoners-national-and-inter

Prisoners' Day, a day of respect, honor and support and solidarity for Palestinian and Arab political prisoners imprisoned for their commitment to their cause, their homeland and their people. Today, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine bows in salute to these brave prisoners – men, women and children, from the newborn babies of women prisoners to Said al-Atabah and his decades of imprisonment – who today number more than 11,000, inside the torture cells, interrogation rooms and the prisons of the occupation.

These prisoners are over 11,000 hostages to the occupation forces whose situation is exploited by the so-called “peace process,” and as the occupation forces attempt to barter concessions by negotiating small “releases” according to criteria set by the occupation and revocable at any time by the same occupier who abducted them, imprisoned them, held a mockery of a trial for them, tortured them. Today, we remember the martyrs of the prisoner movement, and the many injured. It is worth noting that this year, as in many years past, Israel has carried out massacres to prevent Palestinians from carrying out campaigns for prisoners and against Israel's torture policies.

Israel knows that these Palestinian and Arab prisoners are an integral part of the Palestinian national movement. Among them are workers, students, activists, teachers, of all ages. Among them are national leaders – comrade General Secretary Ahmad Sa'adat, Marwan Barghouti,

Abdelaziz Dweik, Hussam Khadr, Samir Kuntar. Israel engages in its policy of mass imprisonment as a means of attempting to hold our people as a whole hostage, and as an attempt to break our people and our cause by subjecting them to massive detention and imprisonment, rounding up our organizers, our leaders, our young people and our teachers, removing them from society and holding them away. Yet, despite these attempts, the prisoners are in fact central to and at the forefront of the Palestinian national movement. Every day, they carry on the struggle against the occupier on the front lines – inside his prisons, face-to-face. It is the Palestinian and Arab political prisoners who pay the first price for our struggle to stay alive. Despite Israel's best efforts, they are not isolated from the struggle, and they are not isolated from their people. They lead all of us as they stand in the front lines of struggle, inside the jails, continuing to fight for their – and all of our – freedom.

On this Prisoners' Day, it is urgent that we call for the widest possible campaign on a national and international level, in order to put the cause of Palestinian prisoners where it belongs, not only in the forefront of the Palestinian national movement but also the international solidarity movement. Every day, our prisoners pay the price on the front line for all of our struggle for freedom, and it is imperative that we take up our responsibility to struggle for freedom for our prisoners.

The rights that our prisoners have achieved only through their constant struggle – the history of Palestinian political prisoners is a history of resistance literature, hunger strikes, demonstrations, organizing and constant refusal to submit – are being stripped away on a daily basis, and further reduced. They are subject to torture in the interrogation chambers, and subject to illegal occupation courts which make a mockery of justice – that is, if they are tried at all; at present, one-half of Palestinian prisoners have never even had a trial in one of these illegitimate military courts. They are denied family visits in further attempts to cut off Palestinian prisoners from their families and their communities. At this time, it is urgent that we all stand with the prisoners and draw the highest level of attention to the cause of freedom for the prisoners, and shine a light on the torture and abuse of the occupier.

The prisoners represent all Palestinian trends in confrontation with the occupation. It is the prisoners' movement that in many ways represents the pinnacle of principled and clear national unity in practice, a national unity that is a lesson and a clarion call to all of us. In honor of their struggle and in recognition of its important, now is the time and the opportunity to raise a unified national campaign to free the prisoners – all of our prisoners, united in their confrontation with the occupier and their struggle for liberation. It is an opportunity to reflect the unity and the steadfastness of the prisoner movement in our organizing to support them. This campaign should take place across all of Palestine – in the occupied lands of 1948, the West Bank, and Gaza –

just as our prisoners in the Zionist jails come from all of Palestine.

In addition, this campaign will set the agenda for an international call for prisoner support, rallying international forces and placing the issue of our prisoners on the international agenda as a primary Palestinian demand, and provide the support needed, on all levels, by the families of the prisoners, due to the immediate effects suffered by these families, with no conditions or discrimination. This campaign can be – and must be – a unifying factor in the Palestinian national movement, just as our prisoners themselves are such a unifying factor.

Our Palestinian people in exile as well must be engaged in this campaign, not only to provide support for the families of the prisoners and to campaign for the freedom of their fellow Palestinians inside the Zionist jails, but also to engage in providing support and struggling for the Palestinian prisoners outside Palestine – in jails in Iraq, England, the U.S., Europe and elsewhere. Palestinian political imprisonment does not only take place inside Palestine, but wherever there is a Palestinian national movement, engaged in the struggle, and facing repression, and our people in exile and our communities can lend a clear and loud voice to the campaigns for the freedom of these prisoners.

The campaign to support the struggle of Palestinian political prisoners, however, should not only be a Palestinian campaign. Instead, it should be a fundamental part of solidarity work – not an obscure issue or a mere corollary to occupation – but a central and consistent part of solidarity work for Palestine, reflecting the front-line, central position of Palestinian political prisoners within our national movement. In addition, on an international level, this campaign can share common cause with other movements in order to demand freedom for all of our political prisoners, imprisoned around the world for their work in struggling for liberation for their people. Furthermore, the solidarity movement with Palestine can play a very important role in involving lawyers, legal associations and other institutions in holding international tribunals on torture and killings of Palestinian prisoners, and taking legal action to pursue on an international level those Israeli officials responsible for such crimes, and to hold human rights organizations accountable to live up to their responsibilities in advocating for the rights of Palestinian political prisoners. In addition, solidarity movements in various countries can play a key role in supporting and calling for the freedom of Palestinian political prisoners in their own countries, supporting the Palestinian community in its struggle against repression and imprisonment.

Today, we express our solidarity with all political prisoners around the world, take inspiration in their leadership and pledge to uphold our national and international responsibility to struggle for their freedom and continue to struggle, in their path of resistance, organization and steadfastness, for the liberation of our land and our people.

FREE CISCO TORRES AND THE SAN FRANCISCO EIGHT!

After 38 years, the government's case against eight former Black Panther Party members and supporters has almost completely unraveled. (See the SF 8 statement of August 6). Only Francisco Torres still faces charges – see the Open Letter calling for his charges to be dropped. The eight were arrested January 23, 2007 in California, New York, and Florida on charges related to the 1971 killing of a San Francisco police officer. Similar charges were brought in 1975, but a California judge tossed out the charges, finding that they were based on statements made by three of the men after police in New Orleans tortured them for several days employing electric shock, cattle prods, beatings, sensory deprivation, plastic bags and hot, wet blankets for asphyxiation.

At the end of July, Herman Bell and Jalil Muntaqim were sentenced to probation and time served, after Herman agreed to plead to voluntary manslaughter and Jalil to conspiracy to voluntary manslaughter. All charges were then dropped on Richard Brown, Hank Jones, Harold Taylor, and Ray Boudreaux, with the prosecution admitting it had “insufficient evidence” against them. Charges had already been dropped against Richard O'Neal last year.

Francisco Torres, of NYC, is the last person still with charges; he maintains his innocence and will appear in court on August 10. Herman Bell and Jalil Muntaqim have been in prison in New York for almost 40 years on similar charges based on the US Government's COINTELPRO actions to disrupt and destroy radical organizations, especially the Black Panther Party. Showing the weakness of the prosecution's case, Bell and Muntaqim were given no additional prison time, and have been returned to NY where they will continue to fight for parole.

Two and a half years of mass support for the Brothers, including resolutions from the San Francisco Central Labor Council, the Berkeley City Council, and several San Francisco Supervisors, have almost broken the back of a vindictive prosecution organized by Homeland Security, the FBI, and California Attorney General Jerry

Brown. The defense committee has vowed to keep up the pressure until charges are dropped against Francisco Torres and Herman and Jalil are back with their families and community.

Background: Murder Charges Against Former Black Panthers Based on Torture

Eight former Black community activists – Black Panthers and others – were arrested January 23, 2007 in California, New York, and Florida on charges related to the 1971 killing of a San Francisco police officer. Similar charges were thrown out after it was revealed that police used torture to extract confessions when some of these same men were arrested in New Orleans in 1973.

Richard Brown, Richard O'Neal, Ray Boudreaux, and Hank Jones were arrested in California. Francisco Torres was arrested in Queens, New York. Harold Taylor was arrested in Florida. Two men charged – Herman Bell and Jalil Muntaqim – have been held as political prisoners for over 30 years in New York State prisons. The men were charged with the murder of Sgt. John Young and conspiracy that encompasses numerous acts between 1968 and 1973.

Harold Taylor and John Bowman (recently deceased) as well as Ruben Scott (thought to be a government witness) were first charged in 1975. But a judge tossed out the charges, finding that Taylor and his two co-defendants made statements after police in New Orleans tortured them for several days employing electric shock, cattle prods, beatings, sensory deprivation, plastic bags and hot, wet blankets for asphyxiation. Such “evidence” is neither credible nor legal.

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White Power Internet-radio Host Hal Turner Wins Second Hung Jury: Claims He Only Spouted Hate and Threats on FBI Orders

At his second trial for threatening the life of several federal judges, bombastic New Jersey-based white power Internet radio host Hal Turner testified that he had been a long-time informant for the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Turner claimed that the FBI directed him to “ratchet up his rhetoric” to increase his influence and credibility with his racist audience. According to Turner’s testimony, as they sat together at a New Jersey diner, his F.B.I. agent handlers told Turner that they wanted his help identifying a killer, whom they believed to be a member of a white supremacist organization. Turner had a devoted following among such boneheads, Klansmen, nazis and anti-immigrant racists because of the inflammatory racial views he espoused on his program. The F.B.I. made a suggestion: “Ratchet up the rhetoric,” according to Turner, who immediately obliged.

That afternoon he posted a picture of a judge, Joan Humphrey Lefkow of Federal District Court in Chicago, whose family had just been murdered, on his blog below the headline “Gotcha!” He later appeared on television twice to discuss the case -- for which he claims the F.B.I. paid him -- both times declaring that Judge Lefkow was “worthy of death.” Turner’s testimony was apparently convincing enough that he got a second hung jury on the federal charges of threatening still other judges on a later Internet broadcast, this time 9-3 for acquittal.

Assistant U.S. Attorney William Hogan asked the court to gag Turner and his attorneys from speaking to the media and also asked the court to shut down a “Family of Hal Turner” blog. The judge instructed defense attorneys to stop talking

to the media, but he declined to order Turner’s blog shut down. In his testimony, Turner claimed to be totally fraudulent in his blog and webcast.

He claimed to be repelled by the racist views he expressed even as he became one of the most prominent proponents of racism in the US. Turner claimed he had never wanted anyone to get hurt. Turner portrayed himself as a “patriot” who “answered the call” of the feds to infiltrate the white supremacist movement. He supposedly received more than \$100,000 in payments for his role, and claims that he helped avert “more than 10 acts of domestic terrorism.” But the F.B.I. eventually stopped using him, and he was later arrested. Turner testified he had never believed the message he promulgated, citing a letter he wrote to one F.B.I. agent that said, “Just be confident that the person you hear [or hear about] on radio is not real life.”

Turner faces a third trial in April on the charge of threatening to murder federal judges. He spent 119 days behind bars and his income (apparently mostly from the FBI) dried up. He has recently filed for bankruptcy, claiming no assets and debts of almost \$100,000. After the second mistrial, he dismissed his lawyers. Judge Donald E. Walter ruled that Turner was indigent and appointed Peter Kirchheimer, the chief federal public defender in Brooklyn district where Turner is being tried, to represent Turner going forward. Kirchheimer wants a postponement from the April 12 trial date by at least a month to allow him more time to prepare a defense. “We’ve made no decisions and have no comment at this point,” he said. Meanwhile, Turner has been getting coverage in corporate media, including the Wall Street Journal and a crew from CBS’s Sixty Minutes show.

Free the Scott Sisters Wrongly Convicted In Dire Health Situation

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On December 24, 1993, the Scott County Sheriff’s Department arrested Jamie and Gladys Scott for armed robbery even though three young males, ranging from ages 14 to 18, confessed to committing the crime and the women have unwaveringly maintained their complete innocence. Despite this, the corrupt Mississippi sheriff used coercion, threats, and harassment to compel the young men to turn state’s evidence against the Scott Sisters due to a long-standing vendetta against a family member. In 10/94 the Scott Sisters were sentenced to extraordinary double-life terms each, despite the facts that no one was harmed, neither sister had prior convictions, no weapon was ever recovered, and the amount alleged to have been taken was approximately \$11.00. Even if they were guilty as charged, this sentence is completely outrageous and cruel.

Jamie Scott, who entered the prison system as a healthy young woman, is now suffering from complete kidney failure and other life-threatening medical conditions. Since January, 2010 Jamie has endured almost weekly severe health setbacks that the state has either outright refused to address or handled in a slipshod manner. Jamie has had weeks of serious infections that could have taken her life, has gone into shock, been given sporadic dialysis treatments, and suffered the state’s refusal to provide her with adequate nutrition as required for her serious medical condition.

The Scott Sisters are now in their 16th year of incarceration and their five children and grandchildren are being raised by their now ailing mother. The defendants and their family are wholly dependent on support from the press, organizations, and all those dedicated to justice in making this debacle as public as possible. The lengthy incarceration of these women to date and their draconian sentences are completely shocking and must be challenged, enough is enough!

Mrs. Rasco and Afrosphere Bloggers are calling on the public to press the governor’s office to pardon the Scott Sisters and release them, particularly Jamie who needs to be at home with her family during her very serious illness. Please ask that the media and politicians do an investigative inquiry about this tragic situation and the outrageous case of the wrongfully convicted Scott Sisters!

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EXPOSING WHAT DAVID ICKE PREACHES

Editor’s Note: The bankruptcy of liberalism and the reformist “left” has prompted many so-called progressives to flirt with right-wing and anti-semitic propagandists who appear to offer a radical alternative to the mainstream. Once described as the “socialism of fools,” anti-semitism is now the anti-imperialism of knaves. A major figure in these circles is author and huckster David Icke, who charges top dollar for admission to his roadshows. We are printing excerpts from Icke’s own work to expose his hateful and nonsensical claptrap.

Quotes from David Icke compiled by Will Offley from Icke’s 1995 book “...and the truth shall set you free,” self-published by Icke after his regular publisher refused to print it. “In the late 1800’s, a controversial document came to light called the “Protocols of the Elders of Zion”. I call them the Illuminati Protocols, and I quote many extracts from them. Some say they were a forgery made public only to discredit Jews, and I use the term “Illuminati Protocols” to get away from the Jewish emphasis. If they were a forgery, something that is quite possible, what were they a forgery of, and by whom?”

“I strongly believe that a small Jewish clique which has contempt for the mass of Jewish people worked with non-Jews to create the First World War, the Russian Revolution, and the Second World War. This Jewish/non-Jewish Elite used the First World War to secure the Balfour Declaration and the principle of the Jewish State of Israel (for which, given the genetic history of most Jewish people, there is absolutely no justification on historical grounds or any other). They then dominated the Versailles Conference and created the circumstances which made World War II inevitable. They financed Hitler to power in 1933.”

“My use of extracts from the “Protocols of the Elders of Zion” was too much for political purity to take. It didn’t matter that I had emphasized, as I do in this book, that this is not a plot by Jewish people; it didn’t matter that these Protocols, which

came to light in the late 1800’s, contain details of the very plan of manipulation which has provably unfolded through the twentieth century.”

“The same attitude, today sees people vilified and jailed for questioning the official versions of the Holocaust in Nazi Germany. If you do that, no one listens to the evidence. If people want to believe all those who question the official line are Nazis and apologists for the Hitler regime, they must go ahead.”

“The Talmud, the Jewish book of law, contains among other little gems, the following: “Just the Jews are humans, the non-Jews are no humans, but cattle” (Kerithuth 6b, page 78, Jebhammoth 61); “The non-Jews have been created to serve the Jews as Slaves” (Midrasch Talpioth 225). [Note: these ‘quotes’ are falsifications, the citations non-existent.] So how often do “anti-racists” protest at Talmudic events? Never. Exactly.”

Icke contends the world is run by an Illuminati conspiracy of blood-sucking, child-sacrificing Satanists and direct genetic descendants of a race of transdimensional shape-shifting alien reptiles. “It’s funny that since I began writing and speaking about reptilian bloodlines running the world, which, according to the mainstream and many conspiracy “researchers”, is apparently ridiculous, you would have expected the opposition to my work to subside.... BUT HOW FUNNY! THE OPPOSITE HAS HAPPENED. SINCE I BEGAN TALKING ABOUT THE REPTILIAN CONNECTION, THE OPPOSITION HAS BEEN INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY. WHY?” From Illuminati Onslaught Against David Icke In Canada!, David Icke E-Magazine Special Report, October 8, 1999, emphasis in original.

Icke is no anti-Zionist, and the “Protocols” are not about Zionism, but attack revolutionaries as dupes of Jews who secretly run the world. This scape-goating and hate-mongering is designed to protect the real ruling elite, and the political, social and economic system of colonialism, imperialism and capitalism.

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women, LGBTQ people, Jews and others.

spout their hate or promote racism and violence against people. The city shouldn't waste a dime helping them

Mexican/indigenous people, Asians, gays and disabled

The NSM wants to subjugate or exterminate African and plans for genocide are not welcome.

around L.A. City Hall, to let them know they and their **statue, Temple & Main at 10** to form a picket line

April 17 at noon. We will gather at the **Triforium**

the south lawn of City Hall, First & Spring, on Saturday

The openly nazi racist group, NSM, is holding a rally at

& all poor & working people!

for Black, Brown, Native, Asian, gay

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