

End the Grand Jury Witchhunt! Defend Our Re-Subponeaed Friends!

Sarah Martin, co-chair of Women Against Military Madness has been a tireless advocate for peace and justice. Tracy Molm and Anh Pham have worked with WAMM in the Iraq Peace Action Coalition and other coalitions to organize non-violent anti-war educational events and protests, including at the Republican National Convention, speaking out against the atrocities of war and injustice. They have done nothing wrong and are being made examples of as critics of foreign policy.

"The law will never make men free; it is men who have got to make the law free."
Henry David Thoreau

What to Do!

Stop Repression of Union, Anti-war and International Solidarity Activists!

Get on the local e-mail list: for updates, events and actions
<http://groups.google.com/group/stopfbi-mn?hl=en> or call: 612-379-3585

Call:

President Obama 202-456-1111

U.S. Attorney Patrick J. Fitzgerald at 312-353-5300 (Fitzgerald is responsible for the FBI raids and federal grand jury investigation.)

U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder at 202-353-1555 or write an email to:

U.S. Department of Justice at AskDOJ@usdoj.gov

and

Demand: an end to the FBI raids, an end to the grand jury witchhunt, immediately return of all confiscated materials—computers, cell phones, papers, etc.

Ask your legislators: to speak out publicly against FBI and grand jury harassment

Talk: to everyone about it. And remember: This isn't just a local issue.

Write: letters and articles.

Volunteer: on the Minnesota campaign (or work on the issue elsewhere if you don't live in MN.)

Sign: the national petition at stopfbi.net

Get more info: Committee to Stop FBI Repression: stopfbi.net and Mnstopfbi.wordpress.com

Former FBI staff member Coleen Rowley in "Update About the Government's New War on Peace," (Huffington Post, September 28, 2010): "You might recall that when former Attorney General Ashcroft wanted to re-institute provisions of the Patriot Act, he used the rationale that no one had thus far made any complaints about the Patriot Act infringing on their civil liberties." The Office of Inspector General (OIG) is an independent entity within the Department of Justice that reports to both the Attorney General and Congress on issues that affect the Department's personnel or operations including complaints of misconduct of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and civil liberties violations relating to the PATRIOT Act. Contact The Office of Inspector General (OIG) at oig.hotline@usdoj.gov or call: 800-869-4499 or write: Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice, Investigations Division, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Room 4706, Washington, DC 20530. Coleen also stated, "Most importantly, if we are to avoid repeating the history of the '60s-'70s and the indiscriminate spying upon first amendment-protected groups that took place during those years, people should call their own elected congresspersons and senators and ask them to quickly convene new Church Committee-type hearings."

Resources

The Policing of Political Speech: Constraints on Mass Dissent in the U.S
A National Lawyers Guild Report by Heidi Boghasian. 2010. Copies of the report:
National Lawyers Guild, 132 Nassau St., #922, New York, N 10038 or www.nlg.org

The Improper Use of the Federal Grand Jury: An Instrument for the Internment of Political Activists by Michael E. Deutsch, copyright 1984 Northwestern School of Law Journal of Criminal Law and Criminology Winter 1984
<http://www.lawcollective.org/>

If an Agent Knocks What to do if you are targeted by federal law enforcement.
Updated booklet includes a comprehensive discussion of current law and law enforcement tools in the age of technology. Center for Constitutional Rights
<http://ccrjustice.org>

Human Rights: US Activists Face New Repression as Political Prisoners Fight for Justice
The Electronic Intifada: Palestine's Weapon of Mass Instruction, 15 November 2010 electronicintifada.net

Stop FBI Repression: national and local information sources on recent FBI raids of 14 U.S. anti-war, labor and solidarity activists; three of whom were re-subpoenaed at the time of this writing. stopfbi.net and mnstopfbi.wordpress.com