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URGENT LETTER APPEAL FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT OF JEROME WHITE-BEY

Jerome White-Bey is the founder and president of the Missouri Prisoner Labour Union, an organization of Missouri prisoners and their outside supporters who are organizing around labour and other prison conditions. Since the founding of the MPLU, Jerome has been subject to administrative harassment and retaliation. He was in the "hole" (administrative segregation) for two years following the formation of the MPLU and has constantly been moved in and out of segregation since.

Jerome is now appealing for help with a letter campaign. He has diabetes which has caused a kidney infection that has lasted for several months now. Despite several requests made by him to the doctors there the prison officials are denying him any medical treatment for the kidney infection. He has had no treatment, no tests, no medication and he is very worried about his health and the effect the long lasting infection will have on him. In his own words:

"There is a plot against my well being. It is

clear to me now, so the only sure way to protect myself from ill willed people is to build a wall of security around me, because when people on the outside show an overwhelming concern about our well being, then that stills the hand of the evil doers. So anyone that would like to write, call the prison or visit me is welcome to do so."

Please write letters of complaint to:

The Governor
ERDCC
2727 Highway K
Bonne Terre, MO 63628
USA
+001 573 358-5516

Write letters of support to:

Jerome White-Bey
#37479
ERDCC
5A-118
2727 Highway K
Bonne Terre, MO 63628
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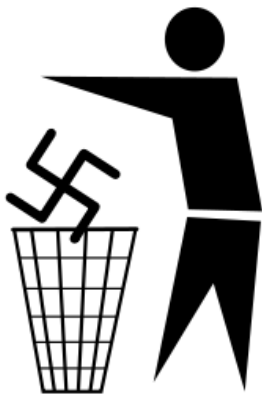
FREE JOCK PALFREEMAN

Jock Palfreeman is a 23 year old Australian who had the courage to stand up against 16 Nazis on a night out in Sofia, Bulgaria. He witnessed the fascists chasing and attacking two young Roma boys. Jock ran to the boys' aid, he did his best to keep the Nazis at bay by waving a knife at them but they attacked him. Jock was left with nowhere to run and had no choice but to defend himself. Andrey Monov, one of the Nazis, was stabbed and killed and another, Antoan Zahariev was injured. The Roma boys ran away.

Jock has since been tried and sentenced for murder and attempted murder. He has been sentenced to 20 years imprisonment and has been fined 375,000 Australian dollars.

Andey Monov's Father is well known in Bulgaria and at the funeral there were a mixture of judges, police and politicians. Jock's trial was a complete sham - yet another example of corruption and secret hand shakes in the judicial system. The prosecution's case was built on the witness statements made by the other Nazis that were there that night, all claiming that Jock randomly attacked the group and chased them with the intent of killing somebody. Key people and possible witnesses were never interviewed by police and CCTV footage from the scene miraculously went missing and many of the statements made at the time were not the same as the statements submitted to the court by the prosecution. Jock has two appeals before his sentence becomes final.

We must campaign to free Jock and put pressure on Bulgarian authorities to accept his appeal. If his charges were downgraded to excessive use of force during self-defence, he would be already out. We must make sure that this judicial



farce is highlighted and that they will not be able to repeat it again.

Check out the links below for more details of his case, trial and read his statement, which has remained consistent from the night in question. Bulgarian authorities want to bury Jock alive for daring to stand in the way of fascist bullies and defending himself and others. We have to stop them!

www.freejock.net

What you can do:

-Write to Jock – Letters help him survive this difficult time and keep his spirit high:

Jock Palfreeman
Sofia Central Prison
21 General Stoletov Boulevard
Sofia 1309, BULGARIA

- Organise solidarity actions outside Bulgarian embassies, consulates etc.- use your creativity!
- Write messages of protest to Bulgarian authorities.

Sample message:

To whom it may concern,

We are writing in regards to Australian national Jock Palfreeman currently imprisoned in Bulgaria. Palfreeman had been sentenced to 20 years of prison for defending a passer-by and later on, himself from a vicious attack by a group of drunken football hooligans. As a result one of the attackers died and another got injured. Despite it being a clear case of self-defence and his version of events being supported by numerous witnesses, his trial was a farce. Anything working in favour of his defence was completely ignored by the judge.

We demand that Bulgarian authorities

grant him appeal and that he will be acquitted of murder charges. We will be watching the next actions of the Bulgarian Ministry of Justice. We will not rest until Jock Palfreeman will get his appeal and acquitted from those absurd charges.

Addresses to send your protests:
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria,
2, Aleksandar Zhendov Str., Sofia 1040, Bulgaria
Tel.: +359 2 948 2999
Information, Public Relations and European Communication Directorate

Director: Sofia Vladimirova
Tel.: +359 2 971 14 08, 971 37 78, 948 22 18
Fax: +359 2 870 30 41
e-mail: iprd@mfa.government.bg

Ministry's Reception Desk
Tel.: +359 2 948 20 18, 971 10 54
In the work days from 9.30 to 12.00 h and from 14.00 to 16.00 h.

ANOTHER SHELL-TO-SEA PRISONER

Pat O'Donnell, anti-Shell campaigner and prominent local fisherman, whose fishing boat was scuttled by armed masked has been sentenced to 3 months imprisonment for 'breach of the peace' and 4 months for 'obstructing a Garda', to run consecutively.

Pat has stood up to Shell since the Erris Inshore Fisherman's Association united in 2005 to oppose offshore pipelaying in Broadhaven Bay. Regrettably, Shell paid off the fishermen over the course of the last few years. Pat refused any pay-off by Shell, including an offer of 300,000 euro in 2009.

He has been singled out along with his brothers for assault by local Gardaí and been punched in the face sustaining facial injuries and broken teeth. In the early morning of June 11th 2009, as the pipe-

laying ship the Solitaire prepared to steam to Broadhaven Bay, Pat's fishing boat was boarded by 4 masked men, 2 of whom held him and his crewman Martin McDonnell at gunpoint in the wheelhouse while the 2 others went down to the engine room to scuttle the boat. The boat sank to ocean floor while Pat and Martin had to be rescued from their lifeboat.

Write to him at: Pat O'Donnell, Castlerea Prison, Harristown, Castlerea, Co. Roscommon, Ireland.

LEONARD PELTIER -APPEAL DENIED!



We have recently received word that the decision to refuse Leonard Peltier parole has been affirmed by the U.S. Parole Commission. The Parole Commission made no concessions except for one -- to finally recognize Leonard's "recent prison record of good conduct." The Parole Commission went on to say that Leonard's age, health, and release plan were all considered, but that these elements "don't warrant his release at this time." All legal arguments made by the Peltier attorney Eric Seitz were rejected.

Once again, we're told that innocence is no defence. Yet again, the government has singled out Leonard Peltier as a scapegoat. As has always been the case, they intend to force Leonard Peltier to pay the price for the killings of their agents despite the lack of evidence against him. This is nothing short of politically motivated vengeance.

Leonard won't receive another full parole hearing until he is nearly 80 years old. Already at risk for blindness, kidney failure, stroke, and certainly premature death given his diet, living conditions, and health care, this parole decision is also nothing less than a death sentence.

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Don't accept the unacceptable. Demand Leonard's freedom.

Call the White House comment line every day to express your outrage. Call: (202) 456-1111 or (202) 456-1112. You also can send an e-mail to the White House.

You also can send an e-mail to the White House directly from:
<http://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/>.

Mail or fax a letter to President Barack Obama, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, DC 20500; Fax - (202) 456-2461.

DEFYING THE GRAND JURY

Carrie Feldman and Scott DeMuth are activists from Minneapolis, MN, who were subpoenaed to a federal grand jury in Iowa investigating animal rights vandalism from 2004. In a Grand jury, evidence is heard to decide whether there is cause to prosecute someone. Because of their broad subpoena powers and secretive nature, they have been used by the government to gather information on political movements; also, the normal rules around evidence do not apply. Both Scott and Carrie refused to cooperate with the grand jury, and were put in jail. Carrie is still being held on civil contempt of court. On the 19th November 2009, Scott's civil contempt was dropped and he was indicted for conspiracy under the 2006 Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act, a legislation that qualifies interference with and protest of animal enterprises, including First Amendment-protected activities, as terrorism. He was released on the 30th November pending trial.

Carrie Feldman is 20 years old, and has worked with a variety of projects in the Twin Cities, including Coldsnap Legal Collective, EWOK! (Earth Warriors are OK!), and the Jack Pine Community Center. Before she went to jail she was taking a year off college. Scott DeMuth is

22, and has been involved in several projects in the Twin Cities including the Anarchist Black Cross and the Jack Pine Community Center. He is currently a member of EWOK!, Oyate Nipi Kte, and the editorial collective for the Dakota community journal Anpao Duta. He is also a Dakota language student and a graduate student in the Sociology Department at the University of Minnesota.

These two are being targeted because they are committed radical activists who refuse to be intimidated into cooperating in the repression of dissent. Despite the empty nature of the case, the Feds have enormous power to pursue it and Carrie and Scott need our support-- financial, personal, and political--at every step of this process.

Carrie was recently moved to Dubuque Co. Jail where she is in segregation for an unknown amount of time, on 23-hour lockdown, and she is no longer allowed visits from anyone other than immediate family. It is going to be especially important for people to write her now, as this may be her only contact with the majority of the outside world for a long time. Please write to Carrie and encourage others to do the same!

You can write e-letters and send them to davenportgrandjury@riseup.net who will print them out and send them along! Or write directly to:

Carolyn Feldman,
770 Iowa St.,
Dubuque, IA 5200.
USA.



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info on class struggle prisoners-



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