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Abuse of women by undercover police must stop now! Women's blockade on Monday

angry woman 2011-01-22 17:26Women in the UK should not have to worry about being sexually abused by policemen. It is as simple as that.

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The shocking revelations about police infiltration of protest movements get more extreme day by day. Reading Laura's story in the Guardian today about a 4th undercover cop has made us angry, sad, and upset... bringing home the true gravity of what the state does to political women in the UK. http://www.guardian.co.uk/environment/2011/jan/19/wife-fourth-police-spy-children

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Meet 8am outside Scotland Yard on Monday morning, January 24th

The blockade will be simple and dignified. Despite Scotland Yard's best efforts we will not be broken.

This is a women led event but men are welcome to come in support.

We demand that the police make public the names and identities of all other undercover offices who have worked or are working to infiltrate movements for progressive social change, so women can know whether they have also been abused by the state, and can decide whether to join other women in considering legal action against the police.

It is likely that the police officers and their superiors have committed the criminal offence of misconduct in public office, which carries a maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

We demand a fully independent judge-led public inquiry into policy spying. We have no trust that the police can regulate or investigate themselves. Their actions show that they think that they are above the law. This is a dangerous situation that undermines democracy.

Please pass on to your friends, mums, colleagues and fellow activists...

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Buses 11, 24, 211, 148

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