

On Friday, Sept. 24, the FBI raided the homes of eight labor, solidarity and antiwar activists in Minneapolis and Chicago and the Minneapolis office of an antiwar group. Agents with guns drawn kicked down doors, smashed furniture, and seized computers, documents, phones, and books. They made no arrests but handed 11 people subpoeanas to appear before grand juries.

The subpoenaed activists are fighters for the people. They belong to such organizations as the Palestine Solidarity Group, Students for a Democratic Society, Twin Cities Anti-War Committee, Colombia Action Network, Freedom Road Socialist Organization and the National Committee to Free Ricardo Palmera.

They helped organize the 2008 protests against the Republican National Convention in St. Paul. They've saved people's homes from foreclosure. They've fought for union rights and protested police brutality. They protested the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. The FBI is targeting them for their stand in solidarity with Palestinians resisting Israeli apartheid and unionists persecuted by Colombia's death squad regime.

## The FBI Persecuted Dr. King

.FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover persecuted Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. until his death.

FBI informant Gary T. Rowe was one of the killers of civil rights martyr Viola Liuzzo. The FBI's COINTELPRO program murdered and framed up dozens of members of the Black Panther Party. Chicago Panther leaders Fred Hampton and Mark Clark were assassinated while sleeping in bed.

FBI agents murdered members of the American Indian Movement and framed Native leader Leonard Peltier, an innocent man who has been in jail 35 years. Puerto Rican nationalist leader Filiberto Ojeda Rios, 72 years old, was shot by FBI agents and allowed to bleed to death on the floor of his home in Puerto Rico on Sept. 23, 2005,

## The FBI is Attacking All of Us

The FBI is not investigating the Wall Street bankers who wrecked the economy and threw millions out of work. It is not investigating Dick Cheney's Halliburton outfit that made billions off the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. It is not investigating Israel's murder of U.S. citizen Furkan Dogan and other activists bringing food and medicine to the people of Gaza. Instead it is persecuting those who oppose racism and corporate power, who oppose the Pentagon's endless wars and endless supply of weapons to racist and anti-labor regimes. They want to intimidate anyone who is fighting for freedom, justice and social change.

## **What You Can Do**

Let's not let the FBI get away with this latest attack on free speech and association.

- ▶ MON., OCT. 4 call U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder at 202-353-1555 or write an email to: AskDOJ@usdoj.gov.
- ► TUES., OCT. 5 join protests at the Federal Building in your city.
- ➤ Sign the electronic petition at www.iacenter.org/stopfbi

## DEMAND

- Stop the repression against anti-war and international solidarity activists.
- Immediately return all confiscated materials: computers, cell phones, papers, documents, etc.
- End the grand jury proceedings against anti-war activists.

For more information, go to www.stopfbi.net

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