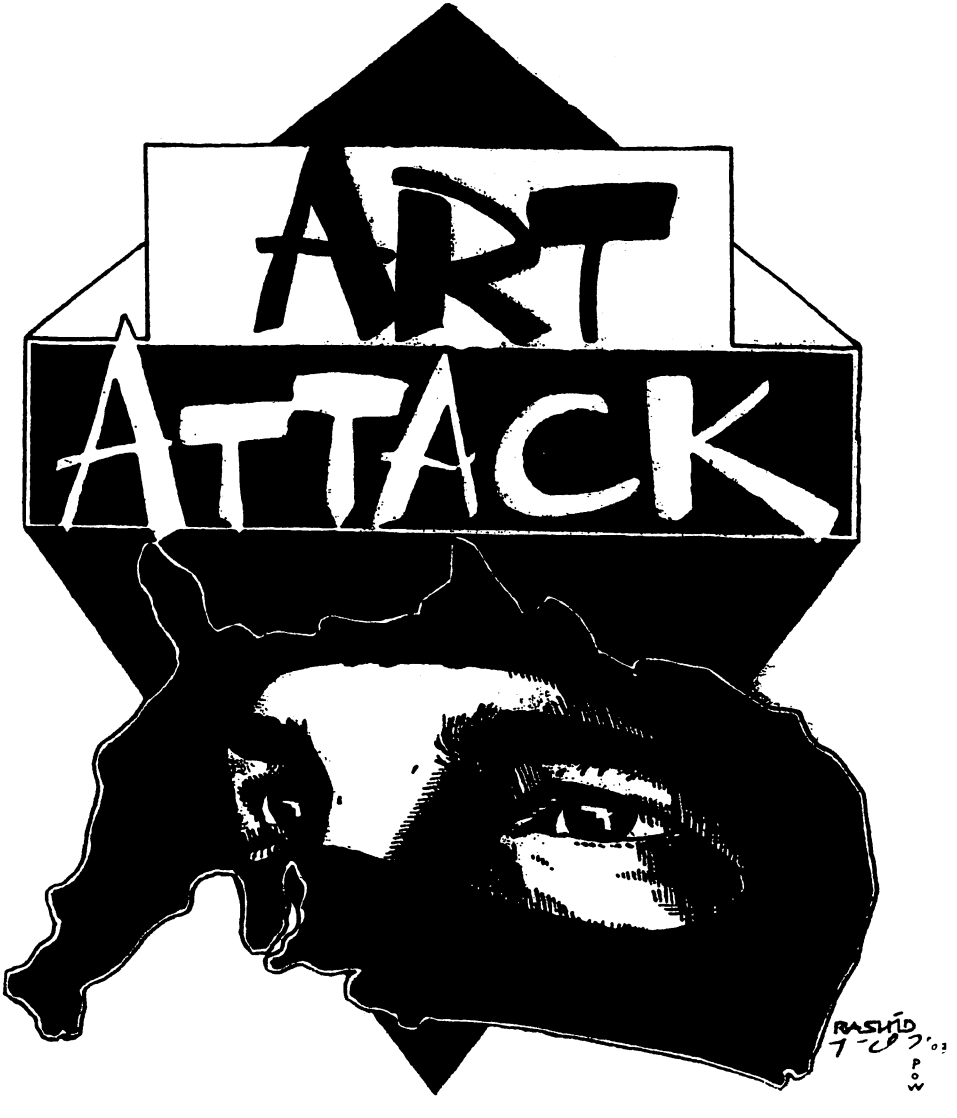


A Vision of Struggle -

PRISON ART OF KEVIN "RASHID" JOHNSON



Kevin (Rashid) Johnson

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Kevin "Rashid" Johnson is not only the pre-eminent political artist in the world (in my opinion) but also an extremely insightful writer, specializing in political analysis and strategy. He is the Defense Minister for the New Black Panther Party – Prison Chapter. Many of his writings are available through the Red Sun Press and the South Chicago ABC Zine Distro, whose addresses are on the back cover. T-shirts of his artwork are also available.

He is pre-eminent among today's young political prisoners and for that is subjected to horrific repression – assaults, censorship etc. Here is just a small sample of his incredible artwork.



BOB MARLEY

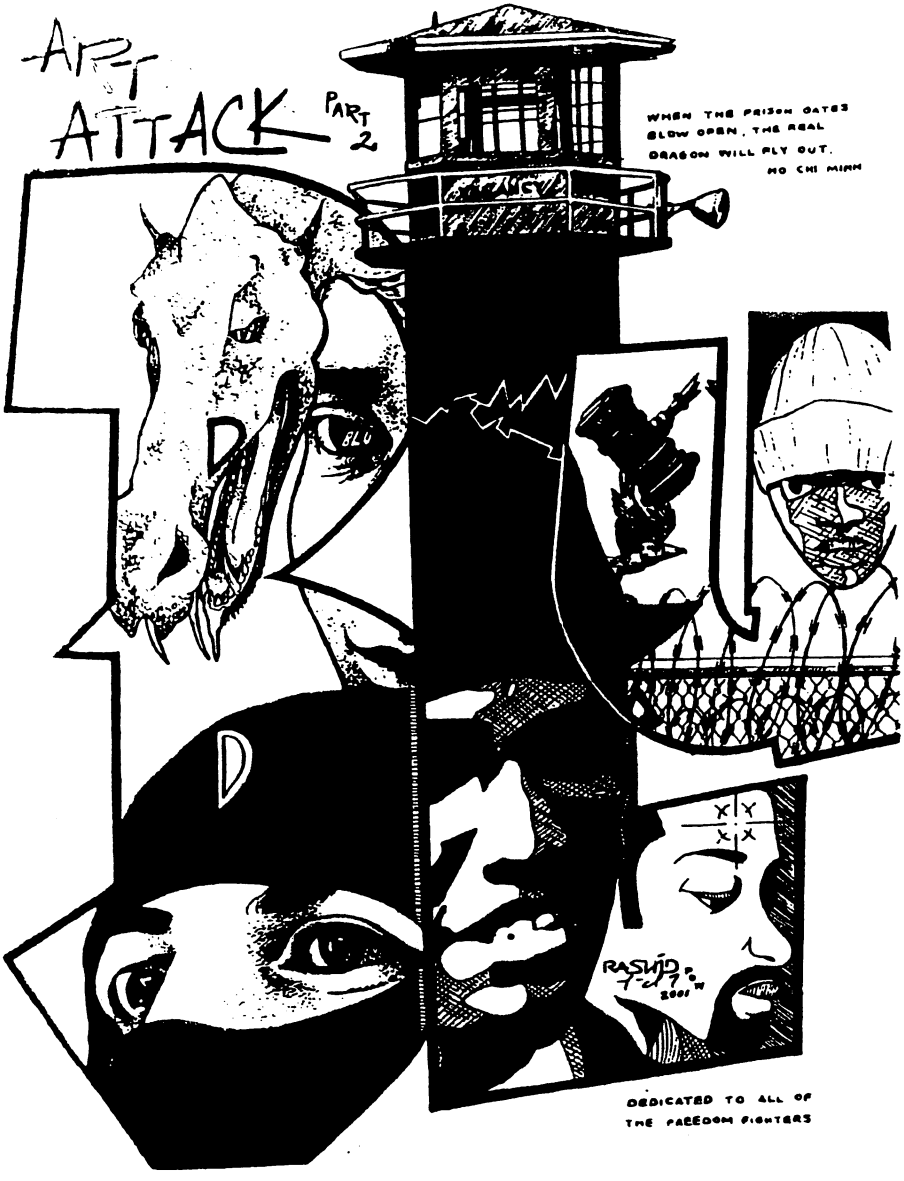

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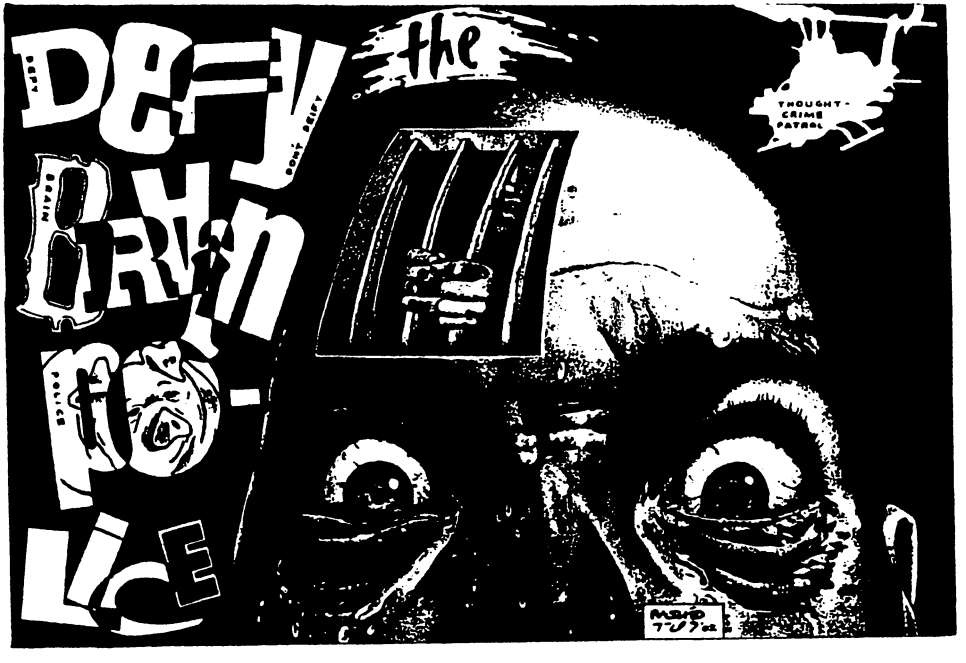

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APT ATTACK PART 2



DEDICATED TO ALL OF
THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS



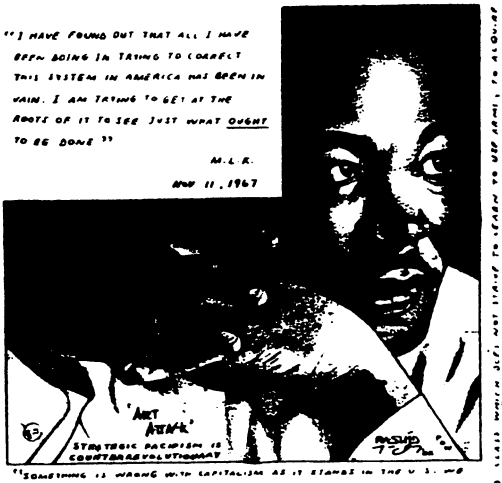
"THE CONCEPT OF NONVIOLENCE IS A FALSE IDEAL. IT PRESUPPOSES THE EXISTENCE OF COMPASSION AND A SENSE OF JUSTICE ON THE PART OF ONE'S ADVERSARY WHEN THIS ADVERSARY HAS EVERYTHING TO LOSE AND NOTHING TO GAIN BY EXERCISING JUSTICE AND COMPASSION; HIS REACTION CAN ONLY BE NEGATIVE. THE RIOTS [WILLIAMSBURG] AND YOUNGS BEHOOT US IN RIOTS IN ORDER TO ... THAN THE OTHER WAYS TO PROVE OUR CAPABILITY TO ENDURE, TO LOVE. WELL, THAT IS GOOD FOR THEM PERHAPS BUT I MUST CERTAINLY NEED BOTH SIDES OF MY HEAD."

GEORGE L. JACKSON

"I HAVE FOUND OUT THAT ALL I HAVE BEEN DOING IN TRYING TO CORRECT THIS SYSTEM IN AMERICA HAS BEEN IN VAIN. I AM TRYING TO GET AT THE ROOTS OF IT TO SEE JUST WHAT OUGHT TO BE DONE"

M.L.K.

MAR 11, 1967



"SOMETHING IS WRONG WITH CAPITALISM AS IT STANDS IN THE U.S. WE ARE NOT INTERESTED IN BEING INTEGRATED INTO THIS VALUE STRUCTURE. POWER MUST BE RELOCATED, A RADICAL REDISTRIBUTION OF POWER MUST TAKE PLACE. WE MUST DO SOMETHING TO THESE MEN TO CHANGE THEM"

M.L.K., DEC 1967



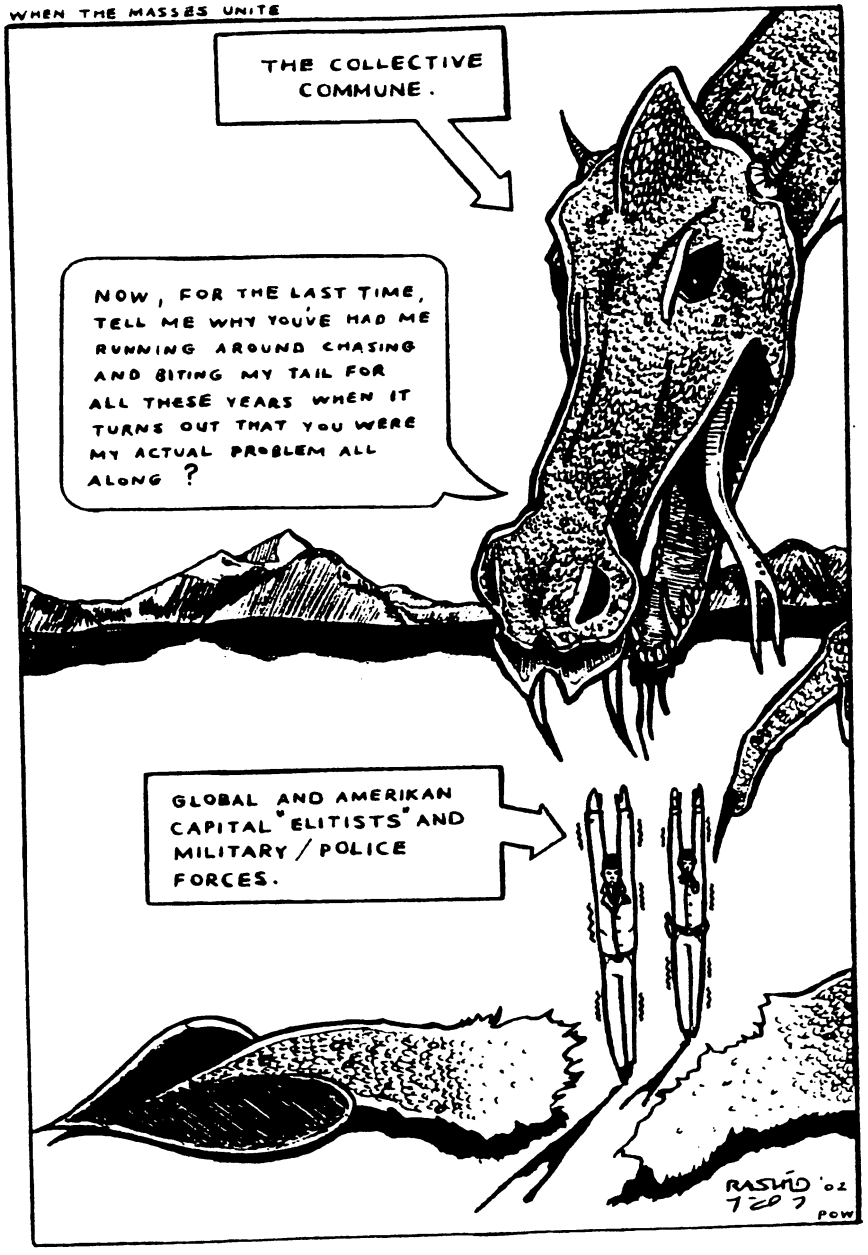
Average people have disdain for prophets. But they are intrigued with the aftermaths of misfortune.

Ammon Ra (Sunrall)

That's just what happened during World War II. Socialist consciousness was building to the point where it had to be distracted, so they offered foreign war, and it appealed to loyal instinct, patriotic instinct, to divert the people from their real interests.

It's easy to understand that in protecting the state, we're protecting the right of the people who own and run the state to continue to own and run the state. It comes right down to protecting hierarchy.

In the event of violent, people's war, we're building an infrastructure, the separating of the people's world from the government, from the enemy state. If the corporative powers, the fascist powers saw this thing happening, it's very possible that they would start a war with someone else, and try to appeal to our loyalty instincts.


WHEN THE MASSES UNITE
THE COLLECTIVE COMMUNE.
NOW, FOR THE LAST TIME, TELL ME WHY YOU'VE HAD ME RUNNING AROUND CHASING AND BITING MY TAIL FOR ALL THESE YEARS WHEN IT TURNS OUT THAT YOU WERE MY ACTUAL PROBLEM ALL ALONG ?
GLOBAL AND AMERIKAN CAPITAL "ELITISTS" AND MILITARY / POLICE FORCES.
RASHID '02
7207
POW


RASHID
72'10


THE TRUE SOLDIER ACCEPTS NO WAGE, NOR SEEKS HONORS OR PRAISE. BORN OF DESPERATION AND NECESSITY, HER/HIS ONLY REWARD IS THE HEALTHY SURVIVAL AND UNCONDITIONAL LIBERATION OF THE PEOPLE....
S/HE ACCEPTS NO COMPROMISE.
B52
Real Soldier
RASHID 7-27-82


DEDICATED TO THE PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT - DARE TO RESIST - DARE TO BE FREE!
GUERRILLART
RASHID
2001


ALL power to ALL the People!!
We can't generate People's war if we continue to act & to think as if all people are men, and as if all children are boys.
We can't build a mass movement if we fail to allow womyn a proportional share of power.
www.rashid-art-attack.org
'05
RASHID
7-07



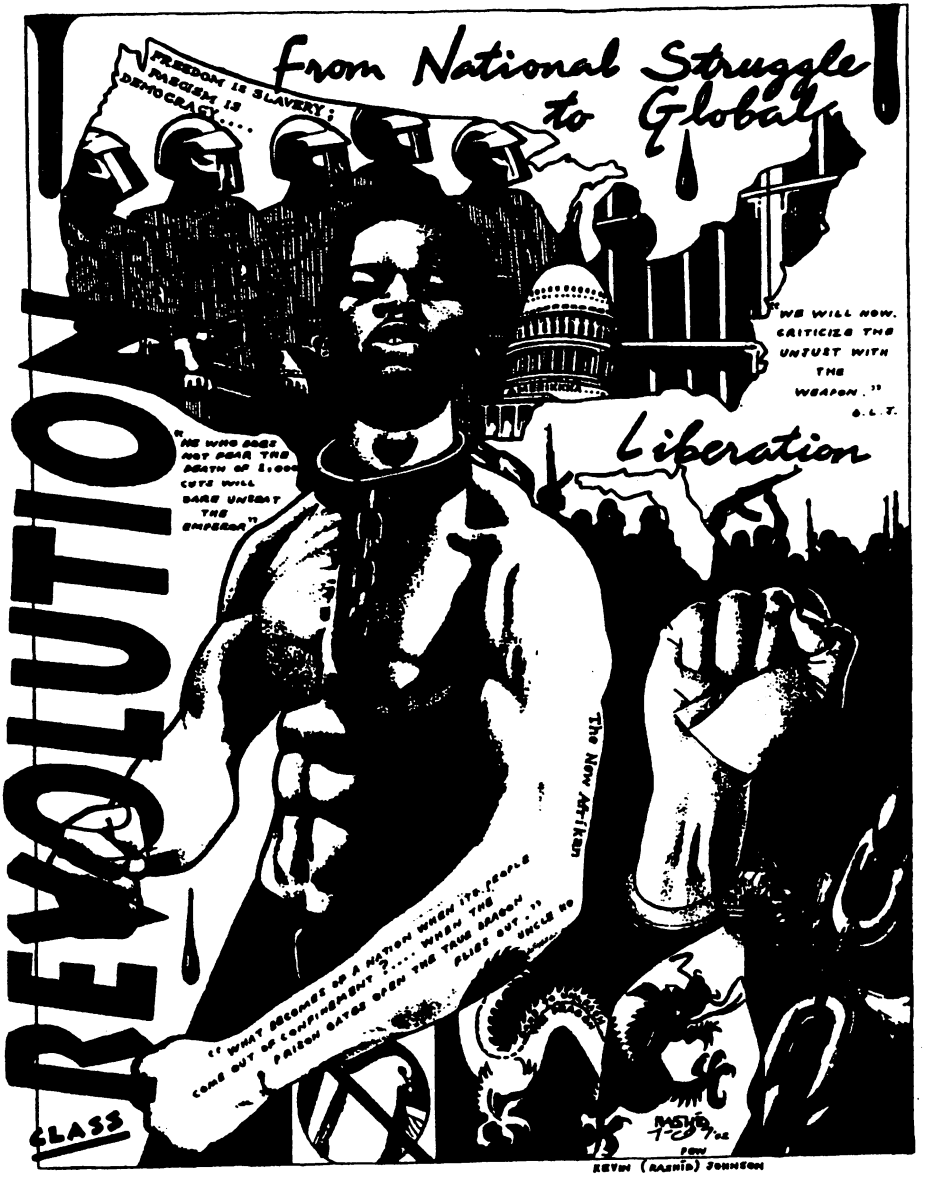

WOMYN ARE THE FASTEST GROWING PRISON POPULATION IN -
AMERIKKKA'S
LIFE WITHOUT MOMMY
P.I.C.
ON THE POOR &
PEOPLE OF
COLOR...

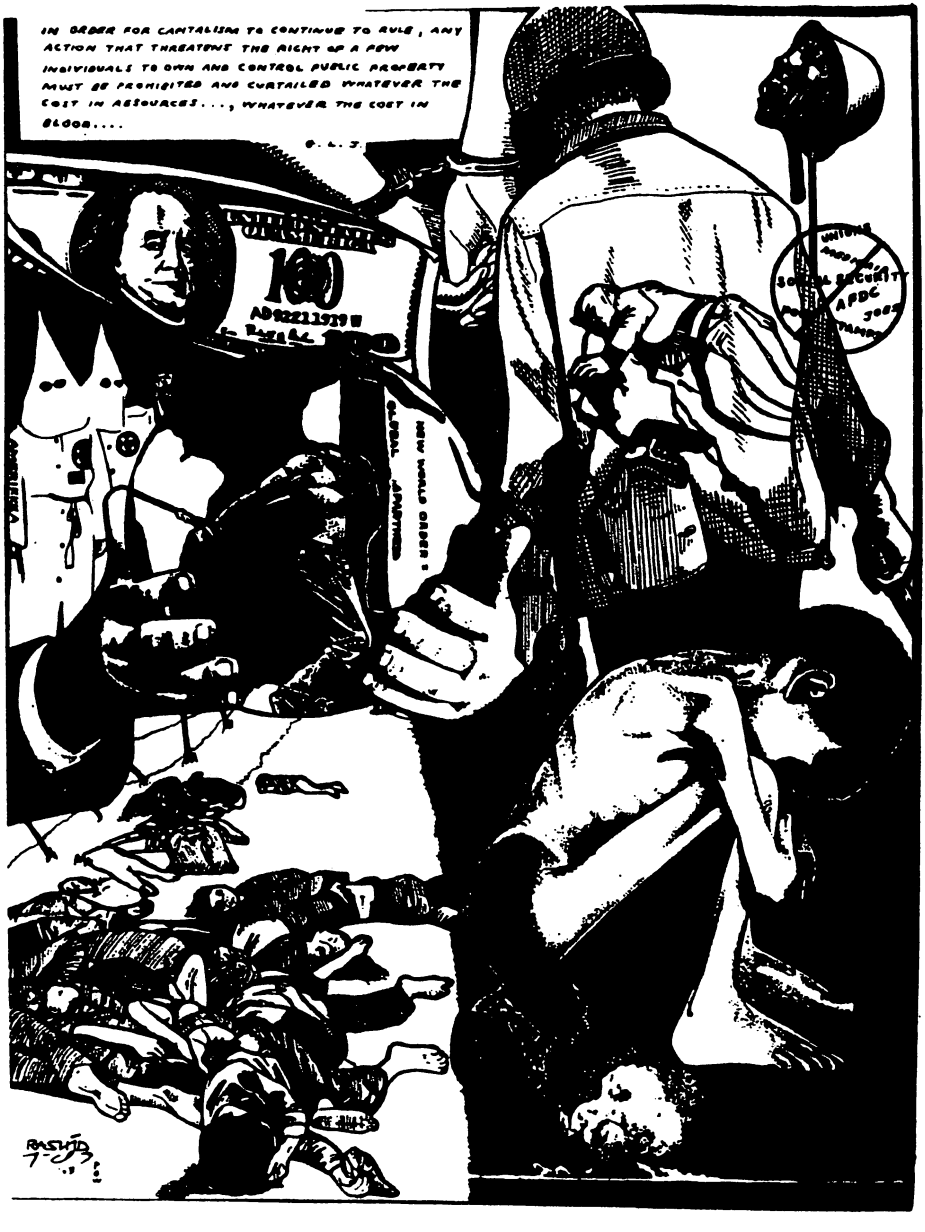


KEVIN (RASHID) JOHNSON


98% OF THE PALESTINIANS KILLED BY ISRAELI MILITARY FORCES ARE CHILDREN
Afghanistan
-NATURAL GAS-
Palestine
-LAND & WATER-
IF INVADING OUR LANDS, STARVING AND IMPOVERISHING US, STEALING OUR NATURAL RESOURCES, DRIVING US INTO REFUGEE CAMPS, RAZING OUR HOMES; WITHHOLDING AND DENYING OUR SURVIVAL NECESSITIES; IS DEGRADING AND HUMILIATING US; SLAUGHTERING; TORTURING AND TORMENTING US; AND CREATING YOUR OWN PUPPET GOVERNMENTS TO RULE US AND WRITE OUR LAWS; AND DESTROYING OUR LIVES; IF ALL OF THIS IS LIBERATION AND DEMOCRACY; AND IF OUR EFFORTS TO RESIST SUCH UNWELCOME CRUELTY IS TERRORISM; THEN; YES, I WANT MORE THAN ANYTHING TO BE A TERRORIST AND TO RESIST YOUR IDEAS OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY !!! WOULDN'T YOU ?!
Iraq
-OIL-
ARE WARS ARE ECONOMICALLY MOTIVATED
RASHID


LOCKED OUT
CRIMINALISATION OF A GENERATION
CORPORATE
BANKING
LOCKED OUT
THE PURPOSE OF THE CHIEF REPRESSIVE INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE TOTALITARIAN CAPITALIST STATE IS CLEARLY TO DISCOURAGE AND PROHIBIT CERTAIN ACTIVITY, AND THE PROHIBITIONS ARE AIMED AT VERY DISTINCTLY DEFINED SECTORS OF THE CLASS - AND RACE - SENSITIZED SOCIETY. THE ULTIMATE EXPRESSION OF LAW IS NOT ORDER - IT'S PRISONS - THERE ARE HUNDREDS UPON HUNDREDS OF PRISONS, AND THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF LAWS, YET THERE IS NO SOCIAL ORDER, NO SOCIAL PEACE.
G.J.
RASHID
7-07'08


From National Struggle to Global Liberation
REVOLUTION
CLASS
FREEDOM IS SLAVERY; FASCISM IS DEMOCRACY....
"HE WHO DOES NOT FEAR THE DEATH OF 1,000 CUTS WILL DARE UNSEAT THE EMPEROR."
"WE WILL NOW CRITICIZE THE UNJUST WITH THE WEAPON."
B.L.T.
"IT WHAT BECOMES OF A NATION WHEN ITS PEOPLE COME OUT OF CONFINEMENT ?... WHEN THE PRISON GATES OPEN THE TRUE DRAGON FACES OUT..."
THE NEW AFRICAN
FROM
KEVIN (RASHID) JOHNSON


IN ORDER FOR CAPITALISM TO CONTINUE TO RULE, ANY ACTION THAT THREATENS THE RIGHT OF A FEW INDIVIDUALS TO OWN AND CONTROL PUBLIC PROPERTY MUST BE PROHIBITED AND CURTAILED WHATEVER THE COST IN RESOURCES..., WHATEVER THE COST IN BLOOD....
G. L. J.
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NEW WORLD ORDER
GLOBAL APARTHEID
AMERICA
RASHID
7-93


"THE PRINCIPAL RESERVOIR OF REVOLUTIONARY POTENTIAL IN AMERIKA LIES IN WAIT INSIDE THE BLACK COLONY."
GEORGE JACKSON
BLOOD IN MY EYE
See: "Right of Revolution" BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY (7th Ed.)
Born Criminal
RASHID '77

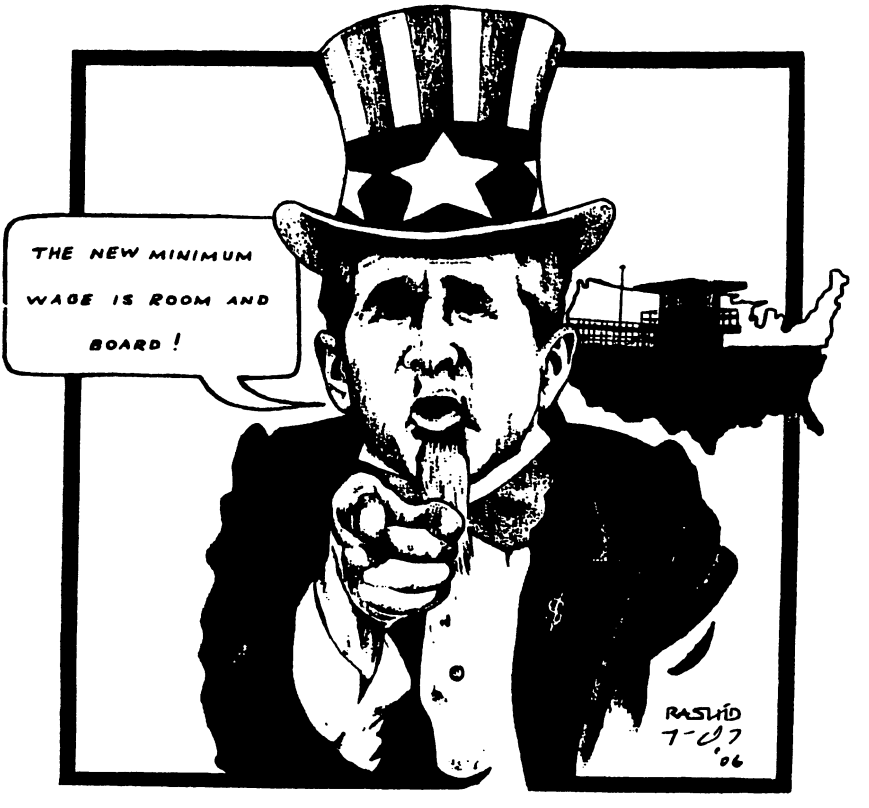

RASHID
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CAPITAL
ALL DOING TIME
"At the end of this massive collective struggle, we will uncover our new man, the unpredictable culmination of the revolutionary process. He will be better equipped to wage the real struggle, the permanent struggle after the revolution - the one for new relationships between men." G.J.



KEVIN (RASHID) JOHNSON

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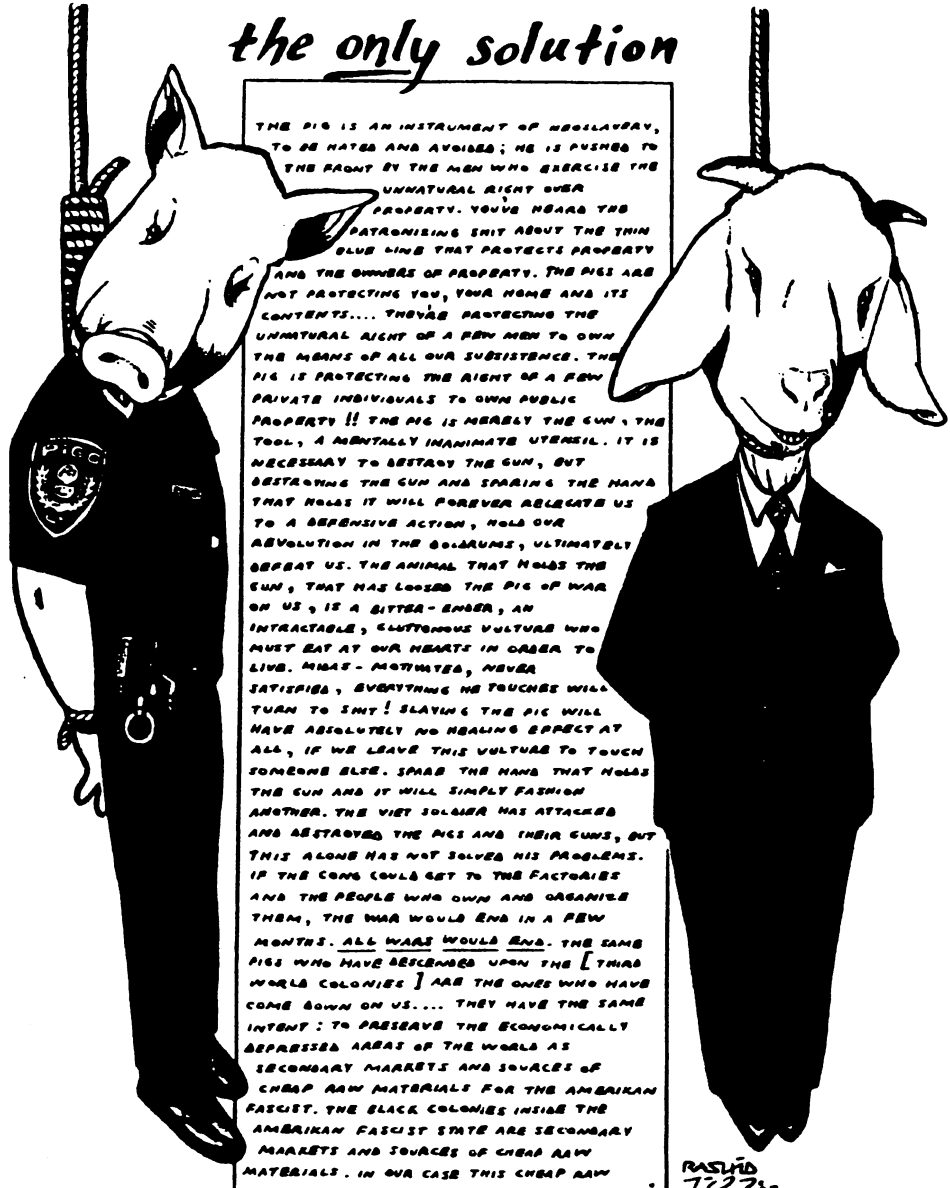
UNCLE SAM WANTS TO PUT YOU IN THE SLAM!



IT'S NOTHING PERSONAL JUST BU$INE$$!

END SLAVERY - AMEND THE 13TH AMENDMENT

the only solution

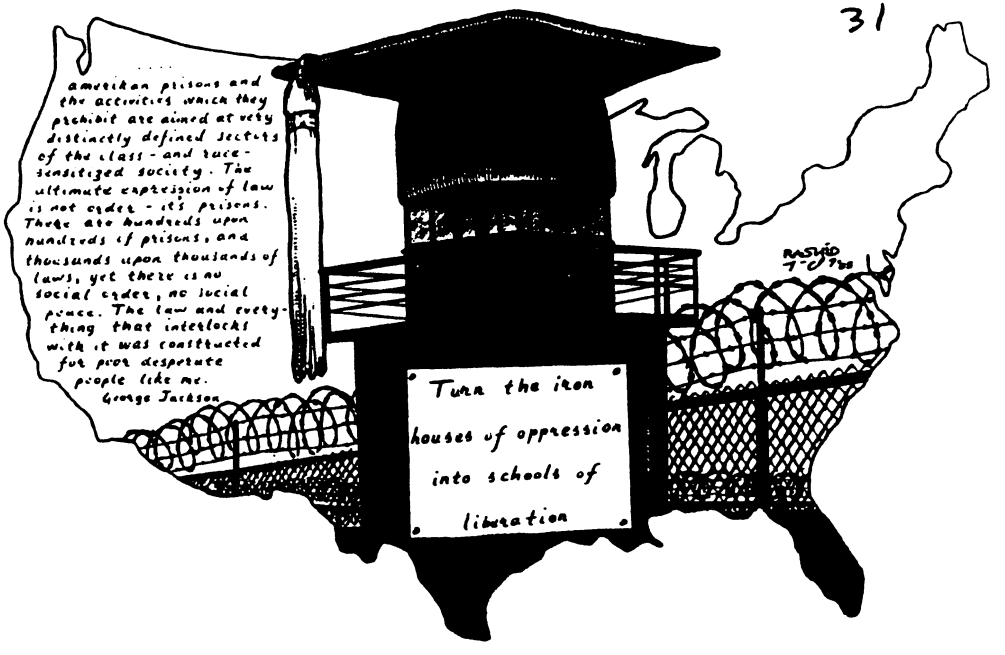


THE PIG IS AN INSTRUMENT OF MOBILIZATION, TO BE HATED AND AVOIDED; HE IS PUSHED TO THE FRONT BY THE MEN WHO EXERCISE THE UNNATURAL RIGHT OVER PROPERTY. YOU'VE HEARD THE PATRONIZING SHIT ABOUT THE THIN BLUE LINE THAT PROTECTS PROPERTY AND THE OWNERS OF PROPERTY. THE PIGS ARE NOT PROTECTING YOU, YOUR HOME AND ITS CONTENTS.... THEY'RE PROTECTING THE UNNATURAL RIGHT OF A FEW MEN TO OWN THE MEANS OF ALL OUR SUBSISTENCE. THE PIG IS PROTECTING THE RIGHT OF A FEW PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS TO OWN PUBLIC PROPERTY !! THE PIG IS MERELY THE GUN, THE TOOL, A MENTALLY INANIMATE UTENSIL. IT IS NECESSARY TO DESTROY THE GUN, BUT DESTROYING THE GUN AND SPARING THE HAND THAT HOLDS IT WILL FOREVER RELEGATE US TO A DEFENSIVE ACTION, HOLD OUR REVOLUTION IN THE BOONDOCKS, ULTIMATELY DEFEAT US. THE ANIMAL THAT HOLDS THE GUN, THAT HAS LOOSED THE PIG OF WAR ON US, IS A BITTER-ENDER, AN INTRACTABLE, GLUTTONOUS VULTURE WHO MUST EAT AT OUR HEARTS IN ORDER TO LIVE. MIDAS-MOTIVATED, NEVER SATISFIED, EVERYTHING HE TOUCHES WILL TURN TO SHIT! SLAYING THE PIG WILL HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO HEALING EFFECT AT ALL, IF WE LEAVE THIS VULTURE TO TOUCH SOMEONE ELSE. SPARE THE HAND THAT HOLDS THE GUN AND IT WILL SIMPLY FASHION ANOTHER. THE VIET SOLDIER HAS ATTACKED AND DESTROYED THE PIGS AND THEIR GUNS, BUT THIS ALONE HAS NOT SOLVED HIS PROBLEMS. IF THE GOOKS COULD GET TO THE FACTORIES AND THE PEOPLE WHO OWN AND ORGANIZE THEM, THE WAR WOULD END IN A FEW MONTHS. ALL WARS WOULD END. THE SAME PIGS WHO HAVE DESCENDED UPON THE [THIRD WORLD COLONIES] ARE THE ONES WHO HAVE COME DOWN ON US.... THEY HAVE THE SAME INTENT: TO PRESERVE THE ECONOMICALLY DEPRESSED AREAS OF THE WORLD AS SECONDARY MARKETS AND SOURCES OF CHEAP RAW MATERIALS FOR THE AMERIKAN FASCIST. THE BLACK COLONIES INSIDE THE AMERIKAN FASCIST STATE ARE SECONDARY MARKETS AND SOURCES OF CHEAP RAW MATERIALS. IN OUR CASE THIS CHEAP RAW MATERIAL IS OUR BODIES.... HOW MUCH MORE IN WAGES WOULD THEY HAVE TO PAY A WHITE, UNIONIZED GARBAGE COLLECTOR?

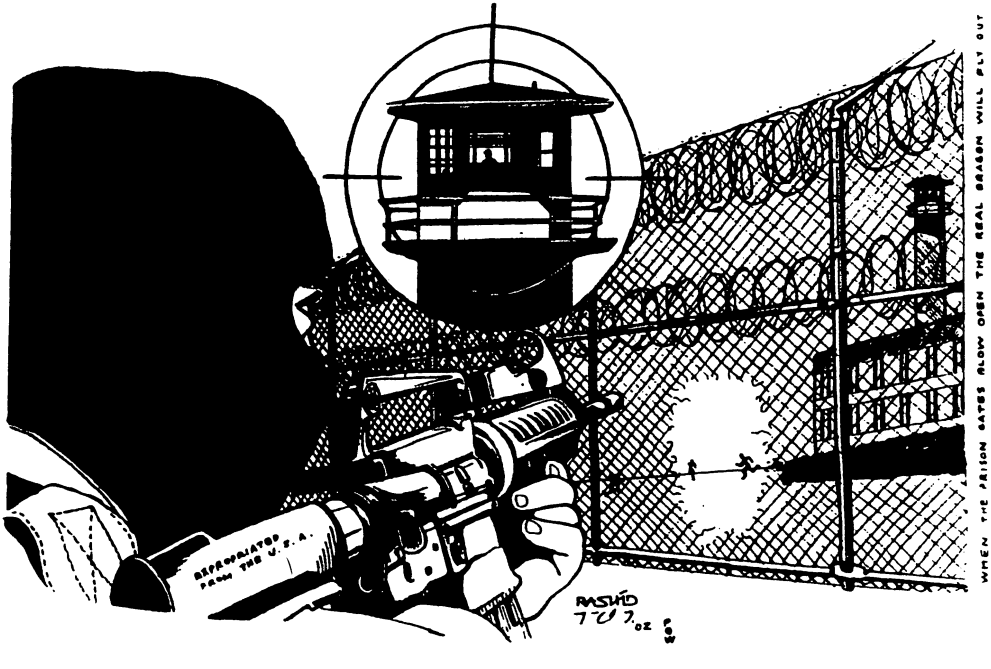
GEORGE L. JACKSON; 1970

RASHID TD '82

POW



Dear U.S.A.(Union of South Africa!?):
LET MY PEOPLE GO!!!
The People's Army





"amerikkkan prisons have always borne a certain resemblance to Dachau and Buchenwald, places for the bad Blacks, Mexicans, Indians and poor whites. But the years have brought an increase in the percentage of Blacks for crimes that can clearly be traced to political-economic causes. There are still some Blacks here who consider themselves criminals - but not many. Believe me, with the time and incentive that these brothers and sisters have

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to read, study, and think, you will find no class or category more embittered, desperate, or dedicated to the ultimate remedy - Revolution"

George Jackson



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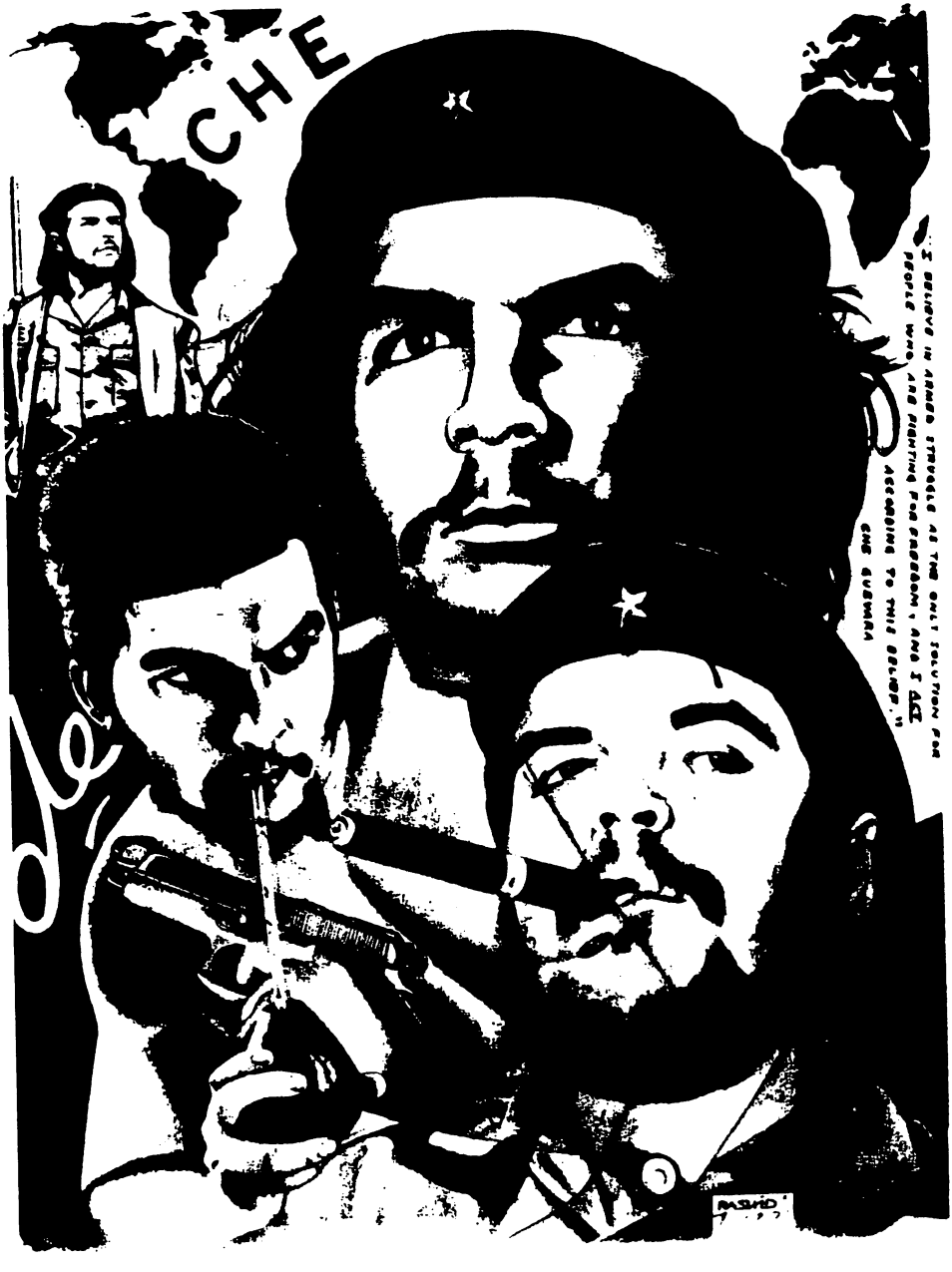
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Patrice
Lumumba
RASHID



"By far the sharpest fighting ideologue in Portuguese Africa - and indeed in the whole continent - is Amilcar Cabral...."

John Gerassi


CHE
"I BELIEVE IN ARMED STRUGGLE AS THE ONLY SOLUTION FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM, AND I ACT ACCORDING TO THIS BELIEF."
ERNESTO CHE GUEVARA


WHAT DO THE DANGERS OR
SACRIFICES OF A MAN MATTER
WHEN THE DESTINY OF HUMANITY
IS AT STAKE ?
CHE GUEVARA

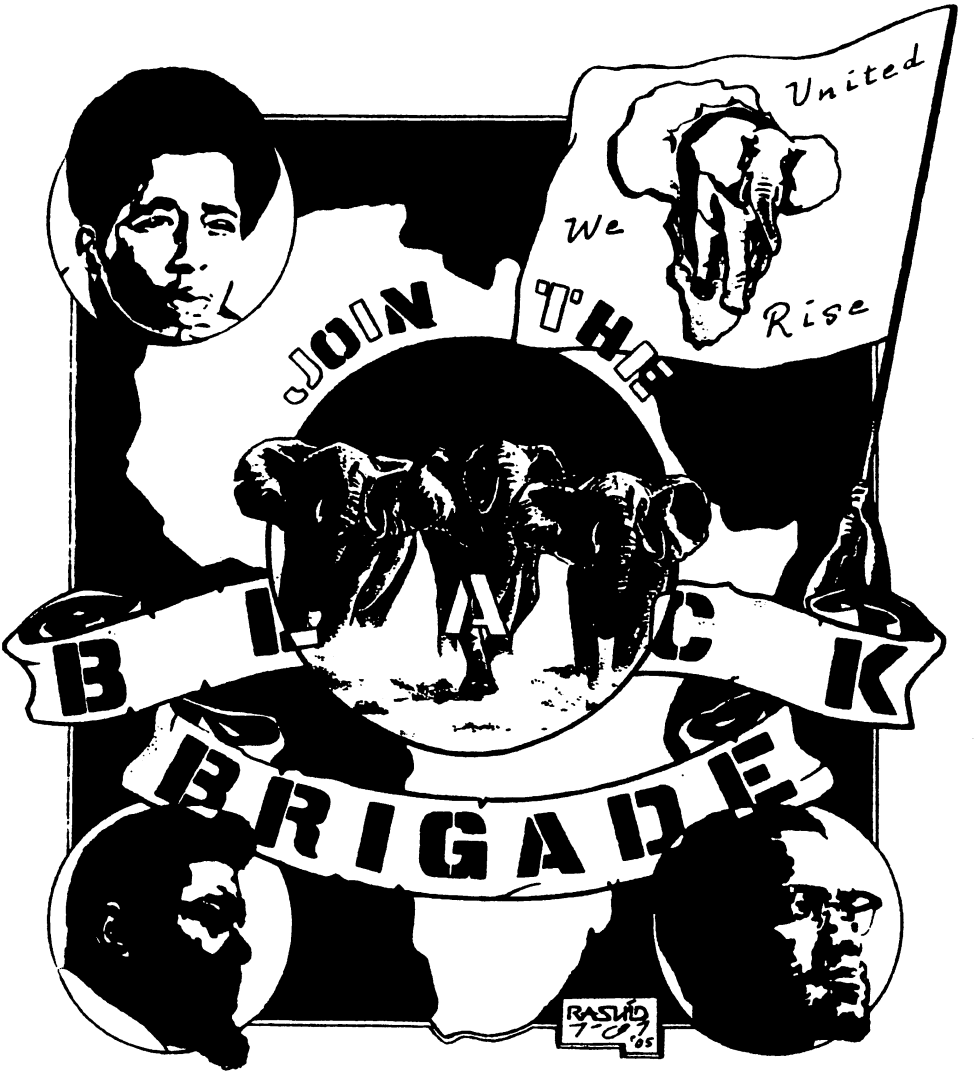
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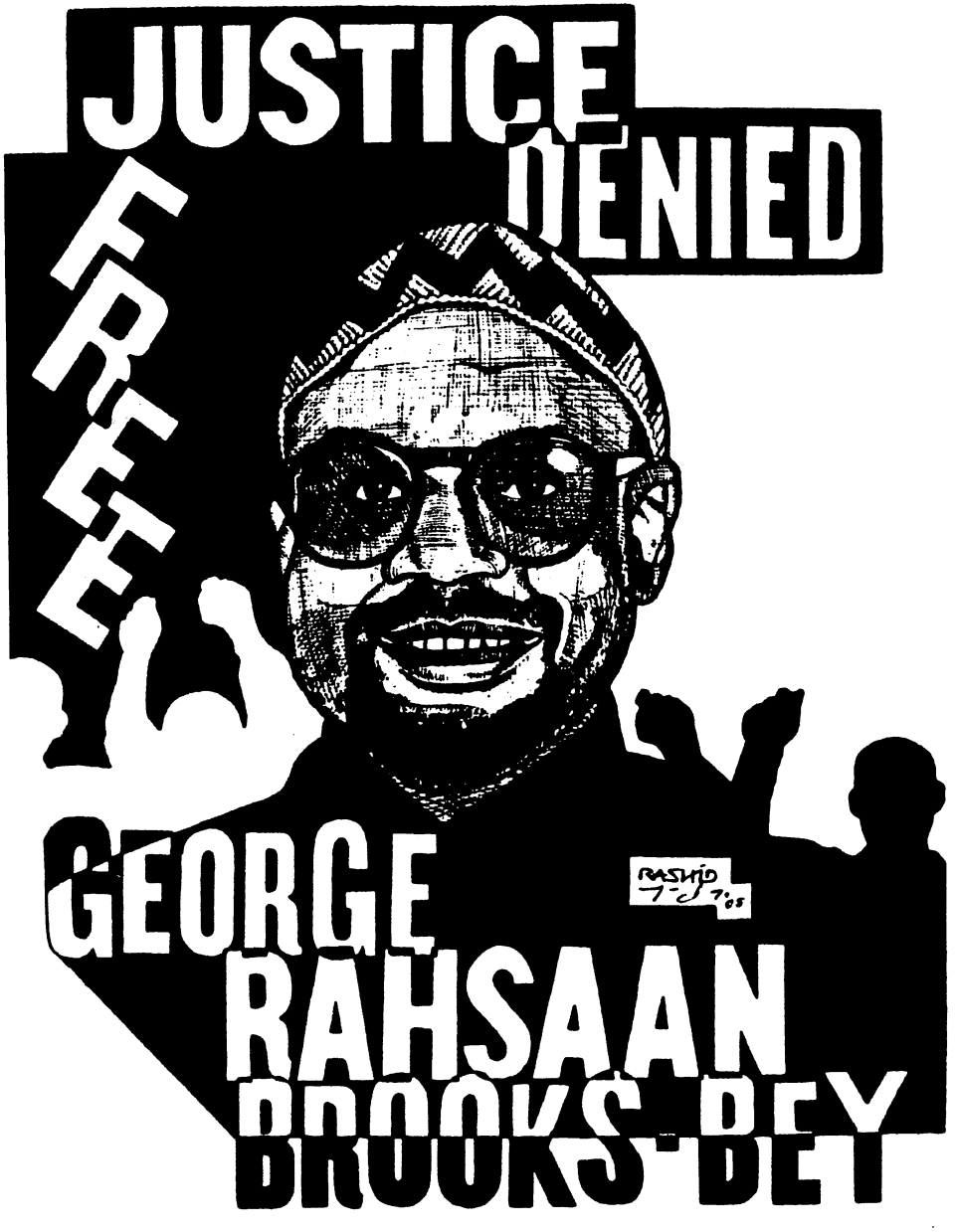


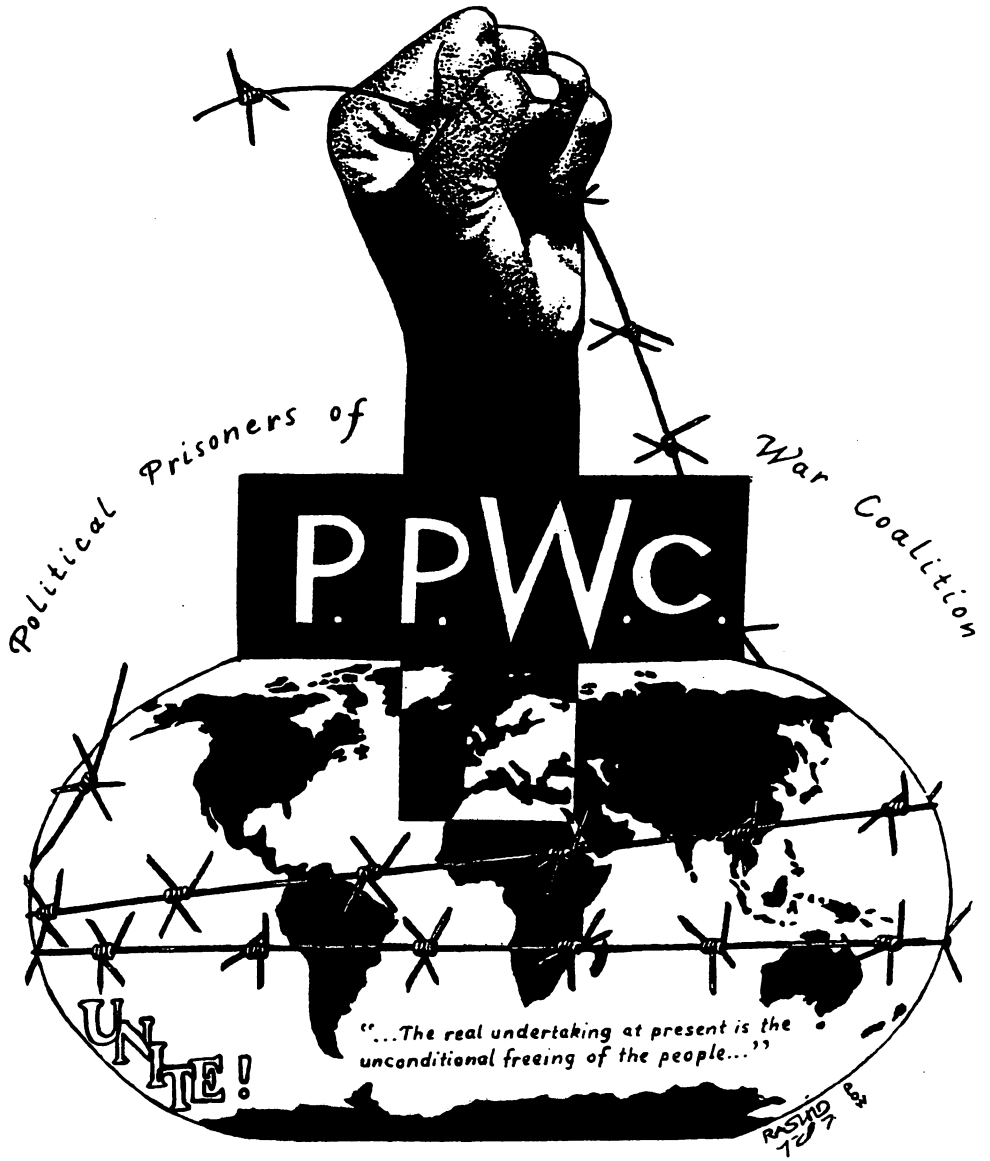
LICENTIOUS, TOTALLY DEPRAVED — AND THEN NOT MAKE ADEQUATE PREPARATIONS TO DEFEND HIMSELF FROM THE MADMAN'S ATTACK. EITHER THEY DON'T REALLY BELIEVE THEIR OWN SPIEL OR THEY HARBOR SOME SORT OF SUBCONSCIOUS DEATH WISH." G.J. 1970



KEVIN (RASHID) JOHNSON


United
We
Rise
JOIN THE
BLACK
BRIGADE
RASHID
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JUSTICE DENIED
FREE
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"...The real undertaking at present is the unconditional freeing of the people..."
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