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Introduction

By Kijana Tashiri Askari

The enclosed collection of writings, were written without any pre-determined script in mind, as I refuse to marginalize myself into a box, by labeling myself a writer. I am a servant of the People and it is my *duty* to serve the People through the enclosed written expressions of resistance. These written expressions of resistance were inspired by our ancestors' historical legacy of struggle, which was defined through their protracted means of resistance, self-determination and total liberation for our nation of New Afrikan folks - and humanity as a whole.

This struggle was exemplified by such beautiful and courageous comrades as George L. Jackson, W. L. Nolen, "Joka Khatari" Gaulden, Howard Tole, William Christmas, Ruchell Magee, Hugo "Yogi Bear" Pinell, and the many unsung, but upstanding N. A. R. N. scholars.

The format of the enclosed writings, is an offspring of our current transitional phase of ideological struggle, i.e. "New Afrikan Revolutionary Nationalism" (N. A. R. N.) This ideology aims to redeem and rebuild our New Afrikan communities. In order for this ideology to become instrumental in our development as a New Afrikan Nation / Community, it is critical that we re-educate ourselves, so that the construct of our New Afrikan Nation / Communities, can be realized through the strategic and tactical aims of organizational principles.

So, with that, I hereby offer the People my writings as a building block towards our collective goal of real freedom!!!

DEDICATION

I would like to dedicate this collection of writings to our fallen comrades-in-arms & to those who remain to be an intrinsic part of the struggle, via their unrelenting commitment and the sacrifices they have made in their service to the People. These include: George L. Jackson, W. L. Nolen, William Christmas, Howard Tole, "Joka Khatari" Gaulden, Ruchell Magee, Hugo "Yogi Bear" Pinell, Donna Wallach, Kiilu Nyasha, Dylan Rodriguez, and the many unsung N. A. R. N. scholars who remain buried alive in these concrete tombs, but haven't given up in the cause for real freedom for the People!!!



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"Each One, Teach One, Tashiri..."





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*A Brief Statement From Within *

My name is "Tashiri" to whom is a New Afrikan Political Prisoner/Prisoner of War. I am also the coordinator and founder of an initiative entitled; "New Afrikan Prisoners: Anti-alcohol Campaign." This initiative is sponsored by the people and is literally for the people, as it's central aim is to combat/address a social sickness (Alcohol Abuse) that currently plagues our communities. The much a do reliance on this racist government to facilitate the people with a constructive means to rise above this social plague, has run it's course dry. The window dressing clinics (rehabilitation centers) as pro-offered by this racist government, has only kept the people demoralize in social conflict. As you cannot correct what you do not understand, or have not come in direct contact with (The People). So as coordinator/founder of this initiative, I hereby challenge the people to get directly involve, by engaging me in a dialectic, with your personal experience(s) dealing with alcohol abuse/usage, so that a collective resolve to this dilema can be instituted by the people, for the people!!

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Forward

By Hugo L. A. Pinell

I met Tashiri in 2001... He is a New Afrikan Freedom Fighter, deeply committed to the liberation of our, and all of oppressed People. He works hard everyday to enhance the evolvement of the New Afrikan, for a New Afrikan is a very conscientious, compassionate and righteous person. His self-reliance and self-determination principles, his positive and constructive ways, his in-depth levels of consciousness, combined with his unconditional and uncompromised love for our People, connects Tashiri to our Humanity as a viable and formidable companion in our struggle towards the building of a really free and new world society.



"Educate to Liberate___
Kijana Tashiri Askari"
N.C.T.T. Co-ordinator

Henceforth, it is not a simple case of the inner city ghettos being a breeding ground for crime to be fostered into the day to day activities in our communities.. No!! A we are the colonial subjects of u.$. imperialism & as I just outlined, U. $. Imperialism is the root cause of crime as it exists in the New Afrikan black communities today.. For it is the vestiges of U. $. Imperialism that has disenfranchised our people from being any real benefactors from its socio-economic system... subsequently leaving many of our fellow brothas / sistas unable to afford the exorbitant cost of living in Babylon, such as affordable medical healthcare, housing, & thus producing a wretched state of poverty (homelessness / joblessness) that generally leads to our people peddling drugs in our community, prostitution, committing robberies, etc., that oftentimes paves the way for this U.$. imperialist government to then displace our people into their prison industrial slave kamps.. These desperate attempts by our people to make ends meet, is a practice that must be abandoned with a dire urgency, because essentially, they also perpetuate the manifestation of a multitude of socio-sicknesses in our communities, such as; drug / alcohol abuse, venereal diseases from having unprotected sex through prostitution, & least we cannot forget the senseless murders that are associated with black on black crime..

This is the standing reason as to why we must continue the struggle towards reclaiming the peoples' mind from the grasp of our oppressors, so that some real work can be put towards de-criminalizing our communities & thus, placing a much needed focus on the real criminals!! And that focus will consist of bringing this imperialist government to its knees!! So that we the people can create a peoples' government that will serve the needs of the people & not the needs of U.$. imperialism...

"Forever Forward_____
Tashiri..."

His writings are an extension of that contributing factor - sharing ideas, experiences and guidelines we can apply to attain changes. But, like every *true* Freedom Fighter, Tashiri's most valuable contribution to our liberation movement is his representation and example of the New Afrikan.

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Our oppression and dehumanization, and our living conditions worldwide, are worse than ever because we are dealing with the most vicious, malicious and inhumane forces in history. They control just about every aspect of our physical and social lives, and that is a reality we can't deny or ignore. But as agonizingly painful as this reality is, the biggest damage these monster criminals have inflicted upon our Humanity is the one done to our mental faculties, through a systematical and dogmatic process, generation to generation.

They have used several means to invade and condition our minds. Our thinking and visual capacities have been so controlled that, not only have we adopted our oppressors' beliefs, visions, behavior patterns, habits and ways, but too often our attempts to create solutions for our multiple problems, are within the frameworks that they have designed, hence our limited and fractured progress, while the monster grows and grows.

Therefore, for our progress to be more concrete, with clearer views for greater changes, we must push ourselves. We must push our liberation struggle in at least, (2) two forms; one, a unified commitment to change our physical, socio-economic conditions; and two, our commitment to building a New *Self*.

In the process of seeking and initiating agendas that can bring about real changes in our living conditions, we must also work hard everyday to transform into new selves. This is an everyday work-in-progress evolvement until the day we die. Self-liberation is the key towards the building of a really free society. We must encourage everyone, especially oppressed people, which includes women, to partake in the self-liberation struggle.

Because, thru these efforts, we learn how to become true Freedom Fighters. The more conscientiously aware, the more positive and constructive, the more self-reliant, self-determined and self-dependent, the more healthy, compassionate and just we become. The closer we get to feeling and being free.

Living in this self-liberated station, we come in touch with the true definition of total freedom and how it applies to everyone and not to just a few. From this self-liberated station of living, our struggle towards the building of a really new and free society, will become a reality of "when" it will happen, rather than "if" it will happen.

We need all of our healthy and capable Afrikans to become New Afrikan Freedom Fighters. We are a part of each other and the best way to help ourselves is to partake in the struggle for self and overall liberation. We have to be united, stay united and work consistently hard to make life and conditions better for all of us now, and for our next generation. Let us create a free atmosphere for the dawns of true freedom to break thru in the near future, not centuries from now. We must prevent many generations from suffering the excruciating pains of oppression, degradation and other dehumanized experiences.

We must be our own leaders and followers. Be our *own* teachers and students. Our own examples, so that it won't be so easy for the oppressors to eliminate our true leaders, and leave us stagnated, in disunity, in self-destructive cycles, without direction and purpose. So that it won't be so easy for the oppressors to defame, isolate, persecute and murder our true Freedom Fighters.

Tashiri is a New Afrikan Freedom Fighter who is unjustly imprisoned. He is also a political prisoner. Become involved in the struggle to support and release all political prisoners please. Thank you.

In life and struggle, with true love, I am your Brother.

Hugo Lyon A. Pinell



You see, once something is stigmatized in the essence of being some kind of an abnormality, it is then rather easy to isolate that material subject for purposes of vilification.. So as the issue of crime is raised as being a prevalent issue in the New Afrikan black communities, one must be willing to obligate themselves to a scientific critical analysis of those material property relations that are being identified as a crime, because it is irresponsible to generalize something without a complete analysis of those material factors involved.. This form of thinking is idealistic & will only leave the individual embracing half-truths, as a pretext for that which is considered to be a concrete truth.. As nothing just exists for the sake of it just existing, as there is a process of development to every existing material matter and / or subject..

So, as we begin to reflect upon the historical analysis that I just offered, one should now be better armed / equipped with the necessary tools that will enable one to grasp a formidable understanding of the blatant criminalization process that this racist government has subjected our fellow New Afrikan black brothas / sistas & communities to.. But to take this historical analysis a step further, it must also be understood, that the infancy stages of this racist government criminalizing our communities, was also the beginning stages of U.$. imperialism as it exists now.. As the system of imperialism took to its current form of modernizing the dissemination of its bourgeois interests, these imperialist monsters also developed strategic means in order to protect the modernized advancement of their property holdings..

This is why the New Afrikan black communities are the subject of round da clock Gestapo agent patrols, as these diabolical monsters fondle themselves with the perverse notion of being some kind of an authoritarian symbol.. This practice of pseudo-authority is made into an evermore pressing material reality, through the numerous cases of police brutality, false arrests, or with one of these fascist pigs murdering one of our fellow beloved brothas / sistas under the pretext of them breaking some arbitrary law..

The Criminalization of the New Afrikan Communities

The focus of crime being a prevalent dilemma in the New Afrikan black communities has often be propagated through the rose-colored lens of bourgeois Amerikkka, as a problem that we've created on our own & generally, the validity as to how these capricious conclusions were formulated, often goes unchallenged & thereby becomes accepted as a concrete truth.. On the surface of things, I cannot solely blame the people for succumbing to this rhetoric, as bourgeoisie Amerikkka is a well-armed imperialist empire that has many social control mechanisms within its arsenal.. As they have been using this arsenal of social control mechanisms to teach our people, *what* to *think*, as opposed to teaching our people *how* to *think*..

Everywhere our fellow brothas / sistas look or turn whether it be in a newspaper, magazine, T.V., or on a radio, all they are exposed to, is some fellow New Afrikan black brotha / sista perpetrating some alleged crime, or being viewed / associated with some form of negativity.. And as the saying goes; "Where the mind goes, the body will follow.." My people this is the infancy stage of the New Afrikan black communities being criminalized by our oppressors.. This strategic tactic is not new per se., because once we collectively make the necessary fundamental distinctions, via a historical analysis of this imperialist empire, we then collectively should uncover the historical evils that are associated with this racist government, with respect to their racist viewpoints / behavior towards our people..

These tactics of criminalizing our communities / people are specifically noted in the chattel slavery era, in which laws were created to subvert our people to the status of a material commodity, or in more literal terms, to be considered as less than equal to the status of our euro-Amerikkkan counterparts.. These laws were also created to protect the vested interests of private property that were owned / controlled by our slavemasters..



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A Campaign For Real Freedom: Am I My Brothas Keeper??

Often times as people, we fail to grasp the true significance of the term; "My Brothas Keeper," in particular, those of who profess to be servants of the people.. Henceforth, the fundamental practice & application of being our fellow Brothas / Sistas keeper, is negated, as those in Babylon have failed to step up to the plate in support of us New Afrikan political prisoners / freedom fighters who are buried alive in these concrete tombs.. My people, it is imperative that we collectively take the initiative & struggle towards re-connecting that life-line, as it once existed back in the '70's.. The absence of any real & concrete support from the people is made quite evident in the case of my big brotha / comrade Hugo "Yogi" Pinell & the brotha Ruchell "Cinque" MaGee..

For those of you who don't know, it was through the dedicated & courageous actions of brothas like Hugo "Yogi" Pinell, Ruchell "cinque" MaGee, W.L. Nolen, Howard Tole, William Christmas, "Joka Khatari" Gaulden, Comrade George Jackson & others, who lit a flame behind these prison walls & took the struggle for black liberation to the next level.. They showed / gave us the true definition of resistance, as they defied / resisted the enemy on their own terms.. With the exception of Hugo "Yogi" Pinell & Ruchell "Cinque" MaGee, the rest of these beautiful brothas is no longer with us.. (Note: Hugo is the last standing of the San Quentin 6 who has yet to be liberated & Ruchell is the last sole survivor from the Marin County Courthouse rebellion that took place on August 7th, 1970..) Hugo "Yogi" Pinell & Ruchell "Cinque" MaGee have been languishing in these concrete tombs for the past 40 years,. Via the oppressive & arbitrary persecution of this diabolical government (prison bureaucrats).. These brothas are being held as if they've committed murder, or were tried under that capricious 3 strikes law, but in essence, none of these factors exist in these brotha's cases.. (*Note: both of these brothas have been in prison since 1965, Hugo for a simple assault / battery case, & Ruchell for a robbery / kidnap case..) They've also demonstrated exemplary conduct over the past (2) two decades. by not receiving any disciplinary write-ups, yet they remain buried alive!!

12.) What is Black August Resistance?

Black August Resistance is the struggle in which those courageous New Afrikan black brothas / sistas dare themselves to embrace the spirit of our ancestors, who fought & resisted all oppressive forms that stood in the path of our progressive development as a people / nation.. Black August resistance is the spirit / struggle which diametrically opposed all forms of capitalistic vestiges..

With Black August resistance, there is no compromising the plight for the peoples' freedom, because it was in this spirit that our ancestors unselfishly sacrificed their lives via blood, sweat & tears for a better tomorrow for the oppressed nation of people (have-nots).. Black August resistance is the willingness to struggle to the end & not caring how far one must go to get there.. Black August resistance is a protracted struggle that must be practiced 365 days of the year!!

Unity of Purpose!!

Black August Resistance!!

Kijana Tashiri Askari *



I.) Who is George L. Jackson?

George L. Jackson is a New Afrikan freedom fighter, to whom is considered by many, as one of the most dynamic / baddest brothas that ever blazed a trail in the struggle for the peoples' freedom.. It was through comrade George L. Jackson's relentless perseverance / willingness to struggle to educate his people & he showed his people that it is ok to be black & to love yourself.. It was through comrade George's organizational skills / determination that enabled the New Afrikan brothas to unify ourselves & resist the oppressive conditions that was forge upon them by a white supremacist racist culture. On August 21, 1971, comrade George L. Jackson was murdered during a slave revolt that took place in the adjustment center in San Quentin State Prison, in which he took it upon himself to sacrifice his life, in order to save the lives of his New Afrikan brothas..

II.) Who is "Joka Khatari" Gaulden?

"Joka Khatari" Gaulden is a New Afrikan freedom fighter, who was the torch bearer of W. L. Nolen.. On August 1, 1978, "Joka Khatari" suffered a head injury while playing football with his comrades in the adjustment center in San Quentin State prison.. Due to "Joka Khatari's" standing militancy in resisting his kaptors & overwhelming love for his people, "Joka Khatari" was denied prompt & adequate medical attention / treatment. The refusal of prompt / adequate medical attention / treatment was an obvious ploy of genocide by state (U.S. government officials to silence "Joka Khatari" once & for all. These pigs were unsuccessful in breaking that recalcitrant spirit of comrade "Joka Khatari" as his spirit continues to be echoed by those committed New Afrikan freedom fighters such as myself & others from behind these walls..

40 years later, these courageous brothas remain committed & pressing forward within the struggle for the total liberation of our people.. By my question is; "Where is all of the love & support for these brothas?" In particular, letters of love & support, which are geared towards the liberation of these brothas.. After all, these brothas are human beings (not robots) who is motivated by the love of / for the people.. We are our own liberators & we must not remain idle in our actions, by turning our backs on these brothas, by allowing them to be continually subjected to arbitrary prosecution by this racist government!! So I hereby challenge the people to get involved in this campaign for the total liberation of these brothas, as the time is now!! So are you your brothas keeper?? If so, let's get together & mobilize our energies / material resources towards the central aim of liberating these (2) two beautiful brothas.. As they are long overdue & their only crime is loving our people & struggling in the interest of bettering the conditions which confront and oppress our people.. The following resources is needed in order to give this campaign for real freedom a life form: those who have access to creating websites, P.O. Box holders, typists, distributors, coordinators, dedicated attorneys and of course, your valuable time & energy...

"Power to the People Who
Do Not Fear Real Freedom –
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New Afrikan Community Parole Review Board

This initiative was originally introduced by the New Afrikan Political Prisoner Prince Imari Obadele.. We intend to incorporate this proposal within the agenda for the "New Afrikan Prisoner Alliance" (N.A.P.A.).. The present make-up of parole boards, both federal and state, is almost unanimously white.. The significance of this is obvious, since such boards are responsible for defining what is a threat to society..

It was a white board of prison terms that denied parole for Geronimo "Ji Jaga" Pratt sixteen times, and this was an innocent man!! This is not an indictment of an entire race, but rather I am specifically targeting the overwhelming white majority that work within the judicial and correctional systems.. This is a reality that cannot be ignored..

Brotha Sundiata Acoli is another example.. A victim of a kkkovernment and FBI sponsored ambush (assassination attempt) who was given a (20) twenty year parole denial.. Sundiata is (70) seventy years old.. He has been illegally imprisoned for almost (35) thirty-five years now.. In these (35) thirty-five years, he has not been a disciplinary problem. His time has been devoted to helping others and towards his own scholastic achievement.. They claim he is a threat? These prison boards are a worse threat to our communities than any of the New Afrikan political prisoners, or P.O.W.s that are presently being illegally held.. These boards adamantly refuse to consider the facts relevant to these prisoner's incarceration.. They did not consider that brotha Sundiata Acoli was a primary target for the FBI's false imprisonment campaign.. He was one of the "Black Panthers 21" acquitted of bogus charges filed by the FBI; this case was considered irrelevant to the board.. People, these are not isolated situations.. There are hundreds of brothas and sistas who are being denied parole solely for their political beliefs!! The parole boards are a tool for political and racist repression, but our people have yet to mobilize against this assault.. There are many New Afrikan prisoners who, if released, can and will have a major impact, a positive impact on our people and communities.. The release of Geronimo "JI Jaga" Pratt is a perfect example, but there is more: Mumia Abu Jamal, Sundiata Acoli, Zolo Agona Azania, Jalil Muntaqim, Dr. Mutulu Shakur, Atiba

8.) Who is W.L. Nolen?

W. L. Nolen is a New Afrikan freedom fighter who was murdered by these fascist pigs in the exercise yard of Soledad State prison on January 13th, 1970 by a racist white prison guard.. W.L. Nolen was considered by his peers to be fearless courageous & one who wouldn't hesitate to resist the enemy in the interests of black liberation & his people, regardless of the odds.. W.L. Nolen was also considered to be the second coming of the Marvelous Marvin Hagler, as the brotha was deadly with his hands..

9.) Who is William Christmas?

William Christmas is a New Afrikan freedom fighter who was murdered by state U.S. government officials at the Marin County Superior Courthouse on August 7th, 1970, as he & (3) three other courageous New Afrikan freedom fighters (Jonathan Jackson, James McClain & Ruchell "Cinque" MaGee) sought to liberate not just themselves from the confines of San Quentin State Prison, but also (3) three other New Afrikan brothas, who had been labeled as "the Soledad Brothas" for an alleged murder on a racist pig (prison guard) in Soledad State Prison.. William Christmas was also an exercise / fitness expert & a committed guerrilla to the struggle for black liberation..

"Agitate, Propagate, Motivate, Educate to Liberate
Tashiri..."

ASSATA SHAKUR



6.) How Does the Concept Black August Seek to Motivate and Guide Our New Afrikan Nation Forward?

Once the social concept of Black August is understood & then practiced, in its social application, then as individuals, we should become inherently motivated / guided by the principles beliefs of our ancestors in which they put their lives on the line for us, for a better tomorrow.. Our ancestors' sacrifices must always be remembered & in doing so, we shall forever be reminded of their fighting spirits in which they sought real freedom on their terms, in the interests of the people & of course, their overwhelming love for all forms of humanity.. The blood, sweat & tears of our ancestors should move the average man / woman to struggle in a similar capacity, but average man / woman must be first educated to the significance of those principles / beliefs that they stood for, so that proper direction & unity of purpose can be ascertained..

7.) Why Should People Support Black August?

People should support Black August as it represents social equality & real freedom for all forms & walks of humanity.. To support Black August is to affirm that the current social conditions are perpetrated by the U.$. government (imperialism) actually betrays the threshold of our communities & does not represent the lumpen proletarian class (have-nots).. To support Black August is to say that you are not afraid of real freedom & are willing to embrace the necessary self-determination that would will you to sacrifice your time / energy in constructing / educating the people towards the protracted course of total liberation..

The enemy has many masks and the ideologies that drive it are centuries old now, the gluttonous appetite for money and power of those addicted. I will not give up and it's not over until it's over. Speak, organize, demonstrate, pray, help the poor and oppressed, be a good example, and most of all "don't ever give up!"
Leonard Peltier #89637-132 Native American Political Prisoner

Shanna, Sekou Odinga, Ojore Lutalo, Abdul Majid, Mondo We Langa, Hugo Pinell, Russell Shoatz.. This is only a brief listing.. The release of any and all of these prisoners would have a positive impact on our community, and the Amerikkkan kkkovernment is fully aware of this, and they will continue to use these parole boards as a weapon to deny our people the advantage which would be inevitable upon their release.. Briefly, the kkkovernment has proven to be unqualified to determine who is suitable for release in so far as New Afrikan prisoners.. They have only used these boards as a means of political and racial repression.. Our goal is to organize a grassroots movement enabling legislation to empower our communities with the capacity to determine who is suitable for release by means of a New Afrikan Community Parole Board..

My beloved sistas and brothas, the success of this proposal will depend upon a concerted effort from both the internal external New Afrikan population.. As I have often written, the crime issue cannot be resolved without participation from the inside...

The implementation of this proposal would provide our communities with a new and effective weapon, not only in terms of the crime issue, but also as an unlimited source of devoted and committed human potential.. I realize that at a glance this may seem an unattainable goal.. And I have no doubt that this kkkovernment will resist it to the bitter end, as they resisted an end to genocidal slavery, as they resisted the dismantling of Jim Crow.. But, with a massive grassroots movement, we can make this a nationwide issue.. People, this is an angle we have neglected, and our negligence has facilitated the perpetuation of injustice, in that the kkkovernment has used these parole boards to repress political views which have been critical of its treatment of oppressed and poor people, both in this country and the world around..

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A Social Dilemma That Mandates Our Attention

Is there a real need for more prisons to be built within the borders of fascist Amerikkka?? And what is the primary objective of prisons as a whole?? These is some real questions that we must now begin to ask ourselves.. In today's society & within the current phase of U.$. imperialist expansion, this racist government has painted a rather morbid picture of crime being a prevalent issue in the New Afrikan black communities, in large part to disseminate a hysteria in the peoples' mindset that will inevitably enable the U.$. government to forge an arbitrary case of support from the masses abroad, within their voracious quest to accumulate more profit.. But can we blame our fellow New Afrikan black brothas / sistas from succumbing to their natural fears, in light of the psychological propaganda that these imperialists have propagated upon their human psyche, that crime is an out of control issue in our communities?? But not to the point of emphasis, as emphasized through their bourgeois social control mechanisms (news programs / newspapers) on a constant basis.. And as a consequence of this, it will not be long before that dynamic begins to take its toll, subjectively & then become viewed as a concrete truth.. Which is why, I now move forward in effort to offer the people a material analysis, as to the central purpose & the primary function of prisons as they exist now..

From a historical perspective, the existence of prisons has never served as a real conducive benefactor to the oppressed New Afrikan black communities, from a social, or an economic standpoint, as prisons as a whole serve the objective economic interests of U.$. imperialism – i.e. "Corporate Amerikkka..

While on the other hand, from a social, political & economic perspective of the New Afrikan black communities, prisons serve as a corrosive in tearing down the cultural & historical significance of our family structures.. Just think about it, whenever one of our fellow New Afrikan black brothas / sistas is kidnapped from Babylon on the premise of them perpetrating some kind of crime, which in essence means, that some law was broken, it inevitably concludes to them being capriciously placed in one of these gulags.. Now ostensibly, the law that was broken was created in order to protect the private vested objective interests of corporate Amerikkka – i.e. "U.$. imperialism.."

Black August has a great deal of significance to the black community.. As Black August puts / places an emphasis on collective resolve, unity of purpose, loving your fellow New Afrikan brothas / sistas unconditionally & self-love / determination.. Which are significant factors that the black community must embrace in order to improve our current position as a community.. Black August places an interest on the values / principles of the lumpen proletarian class, which particularly serves to uplift the integrity / consciousness of the under-privileged in the black community, as opposed to the historically celebrated "Black History Month." Which represents the class interests of our oppressors, that devalues / exploits those interests of the lumpen proletariat, as it dignifies the successes accumulated through material gain, & individualistic obligation to the racist government & not from a socialist / communist standpoint that is vested in the lumpen proletariat class (have-nots)..

4.) What are the Politics of Black August?

The politics of Black August is represented through the ideological transformations / struggles of those whom pave the way for Black August to become a material reality.. These ideological transformations / struggles were developed through the eras of "Nationalism; Black Nationalism; Revolutionary Black Nationalism; & New Afrikan Revolutionary Nationalism.."

5.) How is Black August Viewed as a Viable Social Concept?

It's a social concept, because at the core of Black August is the fundamental proponents of resistance, that is by design aimed towards liberating our New Afrikan communities / nation from the oppressive social conditions that currently hold us in bondage.. Actually, it is more than just a social concept, it is a protracted reality that we must all embrace, if we are to ever reach our collective goal of total liberation from our oppressors..

One New Afrikan Nation Toward Black August Memorial: Know Your History...

Questions:

1.) What is Black August?

Black August is a moment of time in which we commemorate our fellow New Afrikan Warriors / Freedom Fighters in the true spirit in which they unselfishly sacrificed their lives, for the principles / beliefs that they believe in, which was geared towards liberating all forms of humanity, in particular, the oppressive bondage that the New Afrikan Nation Communities were being held in 7 remains to be held in.. Essentially, Black August is a time / period to acknowledge the sacrifices / contributions of our fellow fallen New Afrikan Ancestors, in which they made in the true sprit of building / developing our ideological line of New Afrikan Revolutionary Nationalism (N.A.R.N.) & our collective struggle for freedom..

2.) How did the Concept of Black August Originate?

The concept of Black August originated in the late 70's & the early 80's as a result of the dedicated / committed efforts of the New Afrikan brotha "Shujaa," and the torch bearer of W.L. Nolen, "Joka Khatari" Gaulden.. As it was these New Afrikan brothas who deemed it necessary to acknowledge the spirit of those fallen New Afrikan revolutionary freedon fighters, who were murdered / killed in the active duty of struggling to liberate our people / nation..

3.) What is the significance of Black August to the Black Community?

And not to protect the New Afrikan black communities, as our people have been "hoodwinked" into believing... It is a very horrifying scene to have to bear witness to this barbaric socio-practice, to where our kids is having to wake up every morning wondering where the hell their motha / fatha is at?? And we cannot forget the pain of separation that our fellow brothas / sistas begin to endure once they is captured & placed within these cold walls of captivity..

Furthermore, it is the New Afrikan black communities who also suffer from the social crisis economically.. As it is the poor oppressed New Afrikan black communities who end up having to foot the bill as taxpayers, for their loved ones being held captive in these concrete tombs, while the general perception is that it is the U.$. government who is solely bearing the economic burden.. Not only must our families & loved ones pay an "ex" amount of dollars for our day to day incarceration, but they must also bear the economic burden for whenever they wish to come up to visit us in one of these gulags, which are generally located in some remote rural area that is totally away from any inner-city ghetto in which the majority of our people / families dwell.. With the commencement of this thousand mile trek that our folks must embark upon in order to come visit us, they is also subjected to additional financial expenses such as, gas, food & shelter (motels / hotels,) etc... This is not to mention the fact of our folks also making an effort to assist their captured loved ones with their basic necessities via annual food packages that they send to them, as well as the money they send for canteen.. And again, the sole benefactors of these additional financial expenses is corporate Amerikkka – i.e. "U.$. imperialism.." Just imagine, the money that we as a people / community utilize to invest in the existence of these prisons, what it could do for our people, if we took a more assertive route & invested this money back into our communities, to where we could then build social, political & educational institutions that would reflect the real needs of our people / community.. So you tell me; "Is the central focus of prisons justifying a real means to an end of crime being perpetrated in our communities?? Or is the focus on crime just another pretext that these imperialists have created in order to further their potential for accumulating more financial capital??"

I'm inclined to believe that it is the latter, as it is only the poor oppressed communities that is having to have their resources sucked dry via our public schools, hospitals, community stores, public libraries, etc. having to be shut down in order to compensate for the exorbitant costs of running & financing the multitude of prisons within the borders of the U.$.. Now I haven't even broached the accumulative detriments that prisons have on the captured social class of prisoners, which mainly consist of our New Afrikan black brothas / sistas & poor people of color.. But when we engage the social dynamics of this psychological war that this racist government has waged upon the mindset of our people / communities, with respect to the hysteria of crime being a prominent issue in our communities, we should then collectively arrive at the same conclusion, that this same psychological war has also created a "domino effect" within these gulags, with our kaptors taking on the same social characteristics as their counterparts out in Babylon..

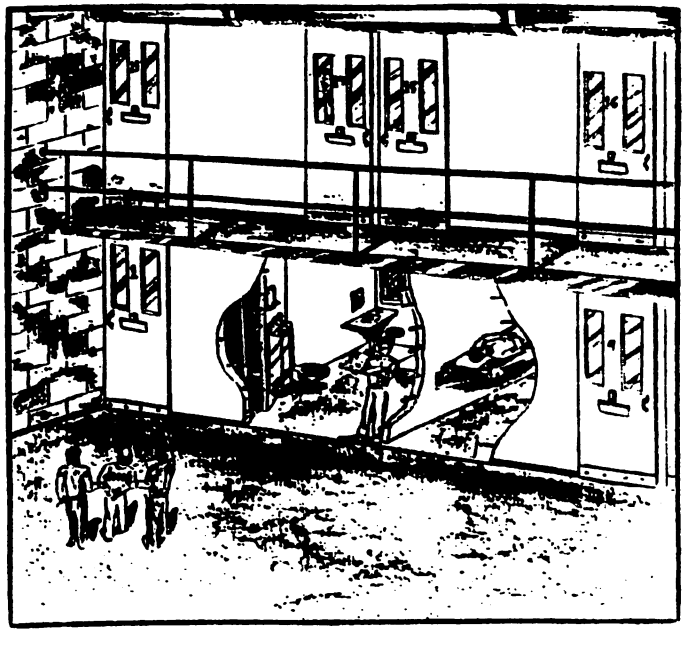
It isn't enough that our kaptors have created a social stigma by labeling us prisoners as being "the worst of the worst and prone to violence," to where we are then classified as being "high risk" prisoners.. But they go on to utilize these arbitrary stereotypes as a pretext to build these new "super maximum security slave kamps" – i.e. "control units / security housing units.." To where the so-called social malcontents (prisoner class) is then subverted to the arbitrary extremes of being placed in these "control units / security housing units" for unjust reasons, in spite of the fact, that no "crime" has been committed.. In most instances, as in my case, we prisoners is subjected to an indefinite sentence within these wretched confines, with the only way to be released from this horrible predicament is by snitching on another prisoner, paroling, being considered an inactive gang member or being carried out in a casket (dying).. I have been held on my indefinite sentence in the security housing unit at pelican Bay State Prison, in Kalifornia, since 1994, for the sole basis of my "political beliefs.."

But my problem is this, it costs our families, loved ones & the state triple the amount of money for us prisoners to be housed in these "control units / security housing units" as opposed to a regular prison setting (general population..) And the ironic thing about all of this is, within these "control units / security housing units" these pigs do not

In the lockdown documentary, there was not a demographic representation for or from the New Afrikan prisoner class.. Why?? Because the majority of us New Afrikan prisoners is being arbitrarily persecuted & held on indefinite lock-up status solely due to our political beliefs & not because of some criminal activities that we've allegedly been involved in.. The indeterminate S.H.U. class of New Afrikan prisoners, is the only group of prisoners that have not been indicted by the U.S. government for any suspected criminal wrongdoing..

Does the name Abu Ghraib & Guantanamo Bay sound familiar, in which thousands, upon thousands of Muslims are being arbitrarily held indefinitely without due process of law & deemed to be enemy combatants.. The same is true for the majority of us New Afrikan prisoners that are being held in the S.H.U. indefinitely.. So as the saying goes; "I must call a spade a spade, as the socio-dynamics of fascism continues to hold us New Afrikan prisoners in indefinite bondage, for unjust reasons." Think about it!!

"Pick 'Em Up,
Put "Em Down,
Tashiri..."



Something To Think About

On March30th, 2005, the Amerikan radio works (KQED) aired a documentary presentation through Humboldt State University (KHSU FM 90.5) entitled; "Lockdown: Violence & Gangs in the S.H.U.. The viewpoints were clearly reflective of those sg=hared by the Kalifornia Correctional Peace Officer Association (C.C.P.O.A.) which has a notorious reputation for its slanderous views on prisoners & the prison culture.. Which wouldn't be so bad, if the analysis that they offered was based on material & concrete facts, as opposed to the atypical generalizations of what they assume to be true, without first investigating the material components objectively, to access the truth.. But instead, the focus point of this documentary took on the character of a propaganda campaign, which veered towards the capricious justification of warehousing prisoners under the oppressive extremes that we now find ourselves existing up under..

For example, it has been long held that prisoners that are associated with violent & disruptive prison gangs are being held in the security housing unit at Pelican Bay State Prison, in Kalifornia, on indefinite lock-up status... This is not true!! As every prisoner that is being held in indefinite captivity in the security housing unit at Pelican Bay State Prison, do not belong to a prison gang, or for that matter, nor have they been involved in any kind of violent / disruptive activities as it relates to furthering the goals / objectives of any prison gang.. This is particularly true for the class of New Afrikan prisoners..

The pretext for the words; "violent / disruptive being utilized in this presentation, in describing the socio-conditions which confront the indeterminate S.H.U. class, was done in the guise of quality control of the information that they propagate to the public... You see, by stigmatizing this stereotype into the mindset of the people, it negates the probability of the people out in society from questioning these oppressive psychopaths, as to why we are being treated / held under such wretched / inhumane conditions..

offer us any social programs that would act as a deterrent to the violent / criminal lifestyle that they proclaim we prisoners is involved in.. You would think that would be the logical thing to do, given the fact they proclaim that crime is supposed to be such a prevalent issue in our communities, and that we prisoners is supposed to be so violent.. But again, nothing is offered.. All of this just confirms my material analysis as being based on concrete facts, in that; "their main concern is not to prevent crime, or to curb violence in our communities, but only to further facilitate a means to stimulate the socio-economic status of U.$. imperialism.." As we are the primary subjects of their imperialist economy, in which they exploit for purposes of capital gain & this is also the primary objective, as to why there is a multitude of prisons in society today & this is also the primary reason why we must collectively struggle towards shutting down all prisons, but to also, ultimately bring the system of U.$. imperialism to its knees!!

"United We Will Win -
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When Will The Nightmare End??

Once again, I arise from within these foul pits of captivity, in a mass effort to sustain a firm grasp on my sanity.. For it is an ongoing struggle daily, just to manifest the effort of keeping my creative juices flowing within a positive accordance of my human psyche, with regards to overall stimulation.. For my kaptors have been relentless in maintaining a suppressive grip, - a virtual chokehold on my closest ally, and dear friend_____ the virtues of humanity.. My kaptors have taken the position to suffocate my mere existence, from all aspects of their oppressive repertoire; psychologically, mentally, spiritually, emotionally and of course, physically…

Their overall confidence derives from their idle success in converting grown men (prisoners) to a realm of psychological destruction.. The psychological destruction being uncontrolled madness, to where these grown men (prisoners) are now fond of reeking havoc upon themselves, in order to escape their present realities of brute torment / sensory deprivation_____ i.e. "the cruelty of imprisonment.." Essentially, our kaptors no longer serve as a direct instrument in facilitating this blatant torment.. This is not to suggest that these pigs is not responsible for catapulting these social conditions, but it is to make the necessary distinction, that some prisoners have become susceptible to the mental indoctrination of our oppressors, which makes them more than eager to take up such honors on their own.. With the trigger pin being a semblance to a hair-trigger on a high powered rifle.

Irritation remains prevalent for the most part, and in all honesty, rests at the core of these prisoners' chaos, and constant ongoing struggle to equate with humanity.. Irritation in that, one is unable to firmly grasp the root of their existence, that now bear the fruits of an oppressive plague_____ i.e. "the fascist extremes of U.$. imperialism.." This oppressive plague that I make mention of, has systematically obliterated mans' reasoning with humanity.. A virtue that was once cherished, and appreciated unconditionally, until the malicious burdens of suppression, diabolically robbed / raped the



of poverty, starvation & an abundance of health-related socio-diseases that inevitably lead to the deaths of many people that they claim to be liberating.. These dire socio-conditions have materialized due to these imperialist – colonial world powers ravenously destroying these third world natives' homeland material resources..

Many people proclaim to be revolutionaries / activists, but they fall short by not making this proclamation a material reality through their day to day socio-practice.. Which makes them paper revolutionaries / activists.. The U.$. government has often labeled the socio-practices of revolutionaries / activists as the acts of terrorists.. This strategic tactic is called "armed propaganda," & is done to isolate the revolutionary / activist from the people.. Once the revolutionary / activist is labeled as a terrorist, the people are then neutralized from their position of aiding the revolutionary / activist in combating the U.$. government, & its central aim of wreaking terror upon the domestic / international oppressed communities in society abroad.. Now when you put in perspective the socio-practices of these Islamic militants that have been accused of being involved in terrorist acts against the U.$. (U.$. imperialism) they do not consider themselves to be terrorists.. No!! They're only responding to the U.$. imperialist – colonial war that they the (UN) – United States of Amerikkka is currently waging upon their native homeland... It is sad to witness the unending number of innocent lives that are also being lost in places like Iraq / Afghanistan whenever the U.$. blindly drops one of their many 5,000 lb. bunker busting bombs!! Or when the U.$. arbitrarily imposes economic sanctions on countries like Cuba, North Korea, Afrika, etc., thus crippling the economies of these countries to where the same result I produced.. Yes, terrorism!! This viewpoint is not to glamorize the indiscretions of violence, but in the words of Chairman Mao Tse Tung; "The gun must be utilized in order to eliminate the usage of the gun!!" As terrorism will not end on its own..

"Seize The Time_____
Kijana Tashiri Askari..."

innocence of humanity from these individuals.. So in reflecting upon the dynamics in which I just attempted to conceptualize, an individual has to seriously ponder; "when will the nightmare end??"

From the onset of brief reflection, it appears that we prisoners will remain intertwined in this suppressive cycle, as 1.) barbaric violence is the product of Amerikkka's culture, and is the core of everything that Amerikkka represents; 2.) The U.$. colony of prisons is an apparatus of the Amerikkkan colonial system, in which our kaptors continue to utilize as a vehicle to enslave us with; and 3.) our kaptors have aborted all logical reasoning in the mind set of society (the masses) in having them to overwhelmingly believe that their practices are nothing but a judicial display of law & order, and is further required, as they are dealing with the "worst of the worst" batch of prisoners..

I for one, do not, and refuse to buy off into such pompous rhetoric!! A brief glance & reflection upon our historical origins of struggle, promptly diffuses this distorted stereotype of us prisoners.. Secondly, the circumstances that surrounds & dictates to our immediate confinement, informs us of concrete conditions, which proves to be convincingly otherwise.. For the statistics & scientific data clearly suggests, that over ¾'s of the noted violent incidents that have taken place in these concrete tombs, are in direct relation to our kaptors' inherent brute, but savage nature, that infuses the wanton promiscuous display of their totalitarian nature.. Everything from cell doors opening (allegedly) accidentally on prisoners, who are known to these fascist pigs as being known enemies to the fellow prisoner of whom they opened the wrong cell door on; to being viewed and treated as sub-human beings, which results in being intentionally talked down to, in the most degrading / disrespectful of demeanors, etc., etc..

The most notable occurrence, or example is the latest race riot that took place a few year ago, in February of 2000, and was deemed; "CALIFORNIA'S BIGGEST RACE RIOT IN CALIFORNIA'S HISTORY!!" But there was one thing that stood clear, & was apparently intentionally overlooked / understated – "How did (80) eighty plus knives / weapons go undetected in California's most secure prison??" The answer

is blatantly obvious, in that, these oppressive psychopaths had more than a hand in orchestrating the perpetual acts of genocide that took place on that gloomy day of February 2000.. So again, when will the nightmare end??

"Organize To Mobilize_____
Tashiri..."



proletariat class (the have nots).. But more importantly, the revolutionary is guided by organized ideological theory, in which he / she then develops these theories into a science that will enable him / her to utilize the ideological theory in a practical application of re-claiming the peoples' mind, for the central goal of total liberation from our common oppressor.. The revolutionary is also driven by his / her perfect love for humanity & hates oppression in all of its many forms..

Now with the activist, he / she is unwilling to define his / her path of struggle through organized ideological theory.. The activist defines his / her reality on the basis of mobilizing around "the current hot topic in the community.." Which basically leaves the activist bouncing from issue to issue, without seeing the initial plight of struggle to an end.. Virtually taking away the activist's ability to be effective in their course of struggle.. The activist also has love for humanity, but this love, is not as pure as the love that the revolutionary has for the people, because for starters, the revolutionary is committed to putting his / her life on the line in the interests of serving the people, while your atypical activist isn't willing to make this type of commitment.. The activist also fails to develop his / her means of struggle into a science, which is why they're unable to concretely connect with the people.. The only time that you will see an activist in the inner city ghettos working with the people, or making any kind of noise, is when there is a blatant socio-injustice being perpetrated against the people, in which they then exploit this blatant socio-injustice for purposes of giving the individual or the organization that they represent, credence, as being servants of the people.. This is the fundamental contradiction between the revolutionary and the activist..

Now with your atypical terrorist, he / she is not motivated by the love of humanity.. The terrorist is motivated by the acts of terror that he / she perpetrates against humanity.. This truth is made quite evident in this imperialist society that we're being held captive in, with this U.$. imperialist empire terrorizing third world countries in the spirit of a so-called democracy, under the pretext of liberating them.. But the true essence of freedom cannot exist, where you have blatant cases

The Fundamental Distinctions of What Qualifies One As being A Revolutionary, An Activist, or a Terrorist...

The masses within Babylon have often gotten themselves lost in the phenomenon of armed propaganda that these U.$. imperialists have aggressively waged, in the interest of negating the true significance of the socio-practices of revolutionaries / activists, by generalizing these socio-practices as the acts of a terrorist.. Thus leaving the masses either despising or supporting the socio-practices of the revolutionary / activist without understanding the fundamental distinctions of what a revolutionary, an activist, or a terrorist actually are.. So with this writing, I hereby offer the people some much-needed clarification that will enable them to put into perspective, as to what qualifies one as being a revolutionary, an activist or a terrorist..

Before one can offer any critical analysis on what it means to despise / support anything, that individual must be able to develop the fundamental distinctions of those circumstances which perpetrates its material reality.. To solely rely on the atypical observation from a so-called "standing authority" is idealistic & only serves to undermine the analysis offered.. Example: the tools for analyzing / defining material property relations is called New Afrikan dialectical materialism.. As these tools will enable you to draw upon the fundamental distinctions as to what a revolutionary, an activist or a terrorist is, as New Afrikan dialectical materialism is a science that enables the individual to engage each / every material component through a systematic process of qualitative negation of those material non-essentials.. Thus enabling the individual to concretely define the function of each material variant, according to the discovery of its material existence.. Because they are not one & the same.. A revolutionary is one who seeks to promote / build revolution through his / her actions based on the concrete conditions that confronts the lumpen







Power to the People, who do not fear real freedom!!



"Tell the people no lies,
claim no easy victories
Kijana Tashiri Askari...
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