

DEFEND THE OCTOBER 20TH FREEDOM FIGHTERS!



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ROCKLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE, NEW CITY, N.Y.

SEPT. 13th 1982 9:00 a.m.

Cars leaving Union Square West and 17th Street at 7:30 AM
& 2033 Fifth Avenue (between 125th and 126th) at 7:30 AM.
For more information or for reservations call 989-8898.

SUPPORT THE BLACK LIBERATION ARMY!

SUPPORT THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMED TASK FORCE!

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO DEFEND NEW AFRIKAN FREEDOM FIGHTERS
COALITION TO DEFEND THE OCTOBER 20th FREEDOM FIGHTERS



Aug. 21, 1831: Nat Turner
led Virginia Slave Rebellion.

Sept. 9-13, 1971: Attica Prisoners
rebel demanding human rights.

Sept. 13, 1982: U.S. imperialist
state begins latest attempt to
destroy the Black Liberation
Army and the Revolutionary
Armed Task Force -- Defend
our freedom fighters!!!

On September 13, 1982, 11 years after the Attica rebellion and 150 years after the slave rebellion led by Nat Turner, the National Committee to Defend New Afrikan Freedom Fighters and the Coalition to Defend the October 20th Freedom Fighters will demonstrate at the Rockland County Courthouse in support of the October 20th Freedom Fighters as pre-trial hearings begin. On October 20th, 1981, the Revolutionary Armed Task Force, under the leadership of the Black Liberation Army, attempted to expropriate \$1.6 million from an armored Brinks truck. This was a revolutionary act intended to take back the smallest portion of money stolen from the labor of Black and other oppressed and exploited people. It was not the first, nor will it be the last such expropriation.

Money is needed to finance programs in the Black community to meet basic human needs, such as day care, schools, and self-defense units. The programs are part of a long-term process to build the Black Nation and the armed clandestine movement which leads the development towards People's War for land and independence of the Black Nation (New Afrika). Freeing the land of New Afrika (Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina) is the only way Black people will win the right to self-determination and end the denial of basic human rights. When a Nation controls its land, it gains the political power necessary to control the institutions which govern people's lives and to defend the Nation against oppression. The struggle to free the land is a struggle to win independence for the Black Nation and to build socialism.

The New Afrikan Freedom Fighters grow out of a 400 year history of resistance and insurrection by the Black Nation, as represented by the Attica uprising in 1971 and the slave rebellion led by Nat Turner in 1831. The struggle today is to transform this strategy into People's War by the use of armed military actions and by developing an armed clandestine organization. The attempted expropriation on October 20th represents a strategic, political advance for the revolutionary struggle to win land and independence for the Black Nation. It reaffirmed the growth and development of the armed clandestine forces of the New Afrikan Independence Movement. It also established that white anti-imperialists are struggling to be full allies as they take on the highest level of solidarity by fighting as combatants on the front lines. This solidarity flows from an identification of a common enemy and a strategic alliance to defeat that enemy.

The period since October 20th has been a time to draw the lessons of this period, to build the underground railroad and the armed clandestine movement, to deepen our understanding of revolutionary principles, and to build an anti-imperialist movement to protect and defend the freedom fighters. It has also been a time of growing strategic alliances between the national liberation movements of the Puerto Rican, ChicanoMexicano, and New Afrikan peoples based in support for the armed clandestine movements. Ultimately, it is this strategy that will liberate oppressed nations inside the u.s. borders and defeat u.s. imperialism, also the enemy of the white working class.

The captured combatants have led the struggle for total non-collaboration with the state's attempts to gather information by resisting the line-ups and the taking of hair and handwriting samples. New Afrikan Freedom Fighter Sekou Odinga resisted the torture and beatings which left his pancreas destroyed. This has provided the leadership for the uncompromising stand of non-collaboration with the RICO (Racketeering Influence and Corrupt Organization) grand jury. Each grand jury resister has added to the wall of silence to the state's attempt to intimidate and terrorize people who support the New Afrikan Independence Movement and the Black Liberation Army.

Because u.s. imperialism is in decline it has now become more fascist in character, and thus we see the emergence of the Joint Terrorist Task Force of the FBI and NYPD. The purpose of the Terrorist Task Force is to destroy the armed clandestine movements. It is responsible for the murder of New Afrikan Freedom Fighter Mtayari Shabaka Sundiata, the torture of New Afrikan Freedom Fighters Sekou Odinga and Solomon Brown, for the military assault on a rural Mississippi farmhouse, and for the pre-dawn raid on the Black Acupuncture Advisory Association of North America (BAAANA), among other terrorist acts. The Terrorist Task Force draws on the experience and information gained from 15 years of counter-intelligence against the Black Liberation Movement and the anti-imperialist movement. Through electronic surveillance, the state was able to indentify Peter Middleton, prey on his fear of the state, his personal greed and his drug habit to get him to turn traitor to the Black Nation. However, in spite of all his so-called "testimony" and the millions of dollars the Terrorist Task Force has spent, it has not been able to capture a single freedom fighter since. This is a testament to the strength and development of the New Afrikan underground railroad.

On September 13, in Rockland County Courthouse, the state will begin a new phase in its attempt to criminalize the freedom fighters. The state will try to use the courts as a tool to maintain its hegemony by defining the expropriation as a criminal act. We cannot allow that to happen. If fighting for human rights is defined as "illegal", then we must organize for illegality. Come to the Rockland County Courthouse on September 13th to support and defend the October 20th Freedom Fighters.