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I demand an end to the continuing isolation and harassment of New Afrikan Freedom Fighter Sekou Odinga, who is currently being held in segregation on the 10th floor of the Brooklyn House of Detention. In an attempt to force him to collaborate with the state's attack on the Black Liberation Struggle, Sekou Odinga has been subjected to systematic torture by the FBI and police ever since his capture on October 23, 1981, following the October 20th attempted Brinks expropriation. But Sekou Odinga has refused to collaborate and has remained silent.

Now at the Brooklyn House of Detention, he is held in segregation and restricted to three visits a week which are denied if a visitor is even a few minutes late. He has refused to submit to strip searches and humiliating "squat" searches. When he refused to cooperate with a "line-up" designed to frame him and criminalize the Black Liberation Army, he was repeatedly beaten with blackjacks and fists while handcuffed and in leg irons.

The government is trying to break Sekou Odinga because he has been a fighter for human rights and liberation for Black people. His resistance inspires all freedom fighters and those who have gone to jail rather than collaborate with the grand jury attacking the Black Liberation Army.

I DEMAND THAT THE TORTURE AND ISOLATION OF SEKOU ODINGA AND OTHER FREEDOM FIGHTERS BE STOPPED.

STOP THE "SQUAT" SEARCHES.

PROVIDE NORMAL VISITATION RIGHTS.

END ALL ABUSE AND PHYSICAL HARASSMENT INSIDE THE JAIL.

Sincerely,

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