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JUSTICE FOR CARLOS MONTES COMMITTEE

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Defense attorneys for Chicano community activist and the former leader of the Brown Berets, Carlos Montes, have subpoenaed 100-plus pages of the LAPD's Public Disorder and Information Division intelligence reports on Carlos Montes and the Brown Berets. PDID officers have accumulated such information on Carlos Montes and the Brown Berets through an intensive surveillance network that included the use of a police infiltrator. This intelligence information was given to the FBI. Under a court order, the FBI searched its files and turned over 52 intelligence documents totalling over 100 pages back to the PDID. Now the representative of the PDID refuses to disclose such information to the defense.

The defense contends that such documents will lend credence that Montes was the victim of overzealous officers who framed Montes on the present charges over 10 years ago after keeping him under constant surveillance.

Montes is on trial now. This is the second such trial. The first ended in the acquittal or dismissal of the same charges against all the other co-defendants back in 1971. Montes did not then stand trial. He left Los Angeles in 1970. He claims his departure was necessary because of death threats received from PDID officers in late 1969 as well as the political climate at that time which he considered not conducive to receiving a fair trial especially for militant leaders from the national minority communities.

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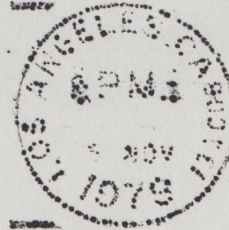
The defense has served a subpoena to obtain the testimony of Lt. Kilgo of the PDID in order to present testimony before the jury of the frequent surveillance of Carlos Montes' home, the Brown Berets offices and their activities.

The trial is currently being held in Dept. 132, 15th floor of the Los Angeles Criminal Courts Bldg. in Downtown Los Angeles.

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On April 26, 1979 the legal motions for dismissal of the 3 felony charges against Carlos Montes (ex Brown Beret leader) were denied by Superior Court Judge Eli Chernow.

Throughout the hearings the police contradicted their testimony and were exposed lying on the stand. The LAPD intelligence squad admitted conducting surveillance, harassment and threats against Carlos Montes because of his political involvement in the Chicano Movement.

The judge in making his ruling said that the police were justified in surveilling Carlos and the Brown Berets because they were advocating Chicano rights and freedom for all Chicano political prisoners. He also said that even though they were surveilled and harassed their constitutional rights were not violated (even though Carlos was arrested falsely 8 times and beaten 3 times and the Berets were eventually disrupted)! He also said that even though the police surveillance files on Carlos and the Berets were destroyed that the defense didn't really need them. He also had the audacity to say "yes the Berets may have suffered some indignities but so did the police".

This is the kind of BS we have to put up with in america the land of the rich. We know one day we will have real justice when we control our own land stolen by the us anglo imperialist.

The JCMC plans to appeal these motions but is preparing and mobilizing for the TRIAL DATE SET FOR SEPTEMBER 5. The JCMC plans to have a jury trial and will be working and mobilizing during the summer months for the September 5 date.

The JCMC feels that there is no real justice in america, but that justice is won by the mass pressure of the people. We call on all organizations and individuals to support the struggle to FREE CARLOS MONTES! Write articles in your newspapers, send donations for legal fees, invite a speaker from the committee, send letters of support endorsing the case and plan to attend the trial!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (213) 262-9859 OR 629-2303 OR WRITE US!

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Justice for Carlos Montes Committee Trial Bulletin

Bulletin #4

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People to Mobilize for Trial JAN 31, 9 a.m.

After a year and a half of struggle and court hearings a trial date has been set for CARLOS MONTES for JAN. 31, 1979, 9:00 A.M. Dept. 132. Carlos Montes an ex Brown Beret leader has had 3 of the charges dropped because of mass support and lack of evidence. But the prosecution continues to press for conviction on the remaining 3 felonies.

The start of trial will be one of the final steps toward final exposure of the frame-up and victory of the Chicano people and Carlos Montes. The committee is mobilizing to pack the courtroom during the trial which may last several weeks. The committee plans to have a jury trial and will be conducting extensive jury selection hearings in order to pick "a jury of ones peers", and one that is favorable to our cause. We call on you to help us mobilize and take up a task. Only by having the support of the people can we win freedom for Carlos and all political prisoners!

The frameup against Carlos comes at a time when the government and the rich class are stepping up their attacks against Chicanos, Mexicanos and all Latinos! Police brutality and migra abuses are increasing, coupled with unemployment and lack of proper housing and medical facilities. The BAKKE decision and now the Weber case threaten to take away the hard won gains of the 1960's. But the people are fighting back and the organizing against these attacks and demanding that Carlos Montes and other political prisoners be set free!

Carlos' case cannot be divorced from the governments attacks against the Chicano people and is an attempt to silence leaders who consistently fight for the rights of the Chicano people for SELF-DETERMINATION (political and economic control over their lives).

The arson charges stem from the 1969 protest against ex-Gov. Reagan at the Biltmore Hotel Conference on Chicano education, where hundreds of Chicanos protested state cut-backs in education. The Grand Jury Indictment involved undercover policeman FERNANDO SUMAYA of the L.A.P.D. P.D.I.D., who had infiltrated the Brown Berets. His testimony led to the indictment of 10 people. 9 of the 10 defendants either had the charges dropped or were found not guilty. But Carlos is the last defendant. In January 1970, he was forced to flee the state and live underground because of constant arrests and threats against his life by the L.A.P.D. He is presently out on \$10,000 bond. CARLOS MONTES has resisted these govt. attacks for 9 yrs! He is fighting for all Chicano and Mexicano people. To win his freedom all workers of all nationalities must successfully expose and defeat these attacks and frame-ups. JOIN US IN THIS STRUGGLE...YOUR SUPPORT WILL MAKE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN OUR VICTORY OR DEFEAT.

Want to help? Attend meetings Tuesday 7:00 P.M. at 2808 Altura (Lincoln Heights) Send donations, help pass out leaflets, and attend the trial. Or for more information call 629-2303.

Criminal Courts Bldg., Dept. 132 15TH Floor
COURT HEARING: 9:00 A.M.

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Movilliza para el Tribunal, 31 de enero, 9 a.m.

Después de un año y medio de lucha y juicios de corte, una fecha de tribunal ha sido fijado para el 31 de enero a las 9 A.M. en Depto. 132. Con el apoyo de la gente y falta de evidencia, CARLOS MONTES quien fue lidere de las Boinas Cafes ha tenido 3 de los 6 cargos originales retirados. Pero el prosecución continua a forzar un convicción en los 3 falsos cargos que quedan.

El tribunal va hacer uno de los ultimos pasos para revelar el forjación de cargos contra Carlos Montes, y para la victoria para el pueblo Chicano así como Carlos Montes. El Comité pro Justicia para Carlos Montes está movilizandando para llenar el corte durante el tribunal que puede tardar 3 semanas. El comité tiene planes para tener un tribunal de jurado, y va a prodecir con un selección de jurado conjunto de personas de la misma edad y condiciones y uno que sea favorable a nuestra causa. Le pedimos a todos ayudar en movilizar para el tribunal. Solamente con el apoyo de la gente podemos ganar libertad para Carlos Montes y para todo preso politico.

El forjación de cargos contra Carlos Montes viene a un tiempo cuando el ataque contra los Chicanos, Mexicanos y Latinos por el gobierno esta aumentando. Tambien esta aumentando mas y mas la brutalidad de la policia y abusos de la migra así como el desempleo, falta de viviendas y facilidades medicales. Ahora con el decisión BAKKE y el caso de WEBER, estan el peligro nuestras avanzas de los '60's. Pero la gente esta luchando y resistiendo contra estos ataques y demandando que CARLOS MONTES y otros presos politicos sean libres!

El caso de Carlos no puede ser divorciado de los ataques por el gobierno contra el pueblo Chicano y es un intento a silenciar un lidere, quien constantemente ha peleado por los derechos de el pueblo Chicano por auto-determinación (poder politico y economico sobre su vidas). Los cargos de quemason vienen siendo sobras de la manifestación de 1969 contra el ex-gobernador Reagan en una conferencia sobre la educación, donde cientos de Chicanos protestaron los recortes estatales en el educación bi-lingual, bi-cultural. El acusación del Gran Jurado envolvió un policia secreto FERNANDO SUMAYA, un policia de Los Angeles, quien habia infiltrado a las Boinas Cafes. Su testimonio encamino la acusación de 10 personas. 9 de los 10 se les retiraron los cargos o no fueron encontrados culpables. Pero Carlos es el ultimo defendiente. En enero de 1970, fue forzado en huir del estado y vivir fuera del estado pro causa de los arrestos constantes y amenazas sobre su vida por la policia de Los Angeles. Presentemente esta libre en fianza de \$10,000, desde Julio 1977. CARLOS MONTES ha resistido estos ataques del gobierno por 9 años. Esta luchando por todo el pueblo Chicano y Mexicano. Para ganar su libertad, tenemos que exponer con bastante lucha y vencer estos ataques y cargos falsos. APOYENOS EN ESTA LUCHA...SU APOYO HARA LA DIFERENCIA ENTRE LA VICTORIA Y LA DERROTA.

Quiere ayudar? Venga a las juntas del Comité.... Martes a las 7 P.M. en la calle Altura 2808 (Lincoln Heights). Tambien manda donaciones, ayuda pasar volantes, y venga al tribunal. O para mas informacion llame 629-2303.

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