

# COMITE de CALIFORNIA

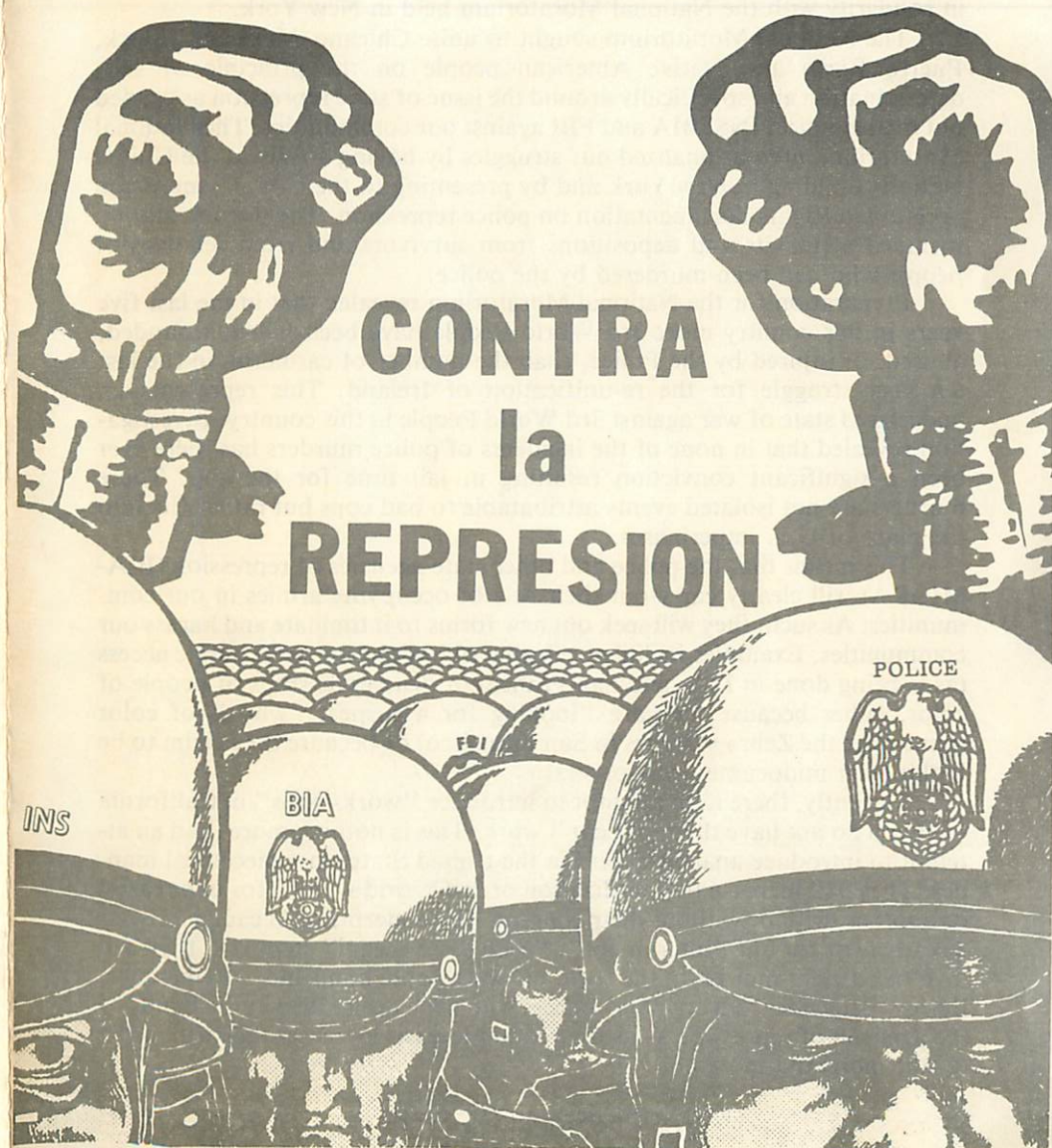
## CONTRA la REPRESION



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*The Comité also has available the following literature:*

- The Trilateral Commission, a study by the Movimiento de Liberación Nacional on U.S. imperialist strategy for the 80's.
- Unite the Many, Defeat the Few — on Chicano/Mexicano — Puerto Rican unity.
- Disarm the Police, Arm the People — a study on the police apparatus and its repressive activities by the Comité de Colorado Contra La Represión.
- 450 years of Chicano History in Pictures.



# OUR HISTORY

The Comité de California Contra la Represión, is part of the Comité Nacional Contra la Represión. Both comites were formed to carry on the work of the 3rd World People's National Moratorium against Police/INS/BIA/FBI Crimes and Grand Jury Repression. The Comité Nacional is a Chicano/Mexicano and Puerto Rican comité. The Comité de California sponsored a march and regional demonstration in San Francisco in solidarity with the National Moratorium held in New York.

The National Moratorium sought to unite Chicano/Mexicano, Black, Puerto Rican and Native American people on the principle of self-determination and specifically around the issue of state repression as carried out by the police, INS, BIA and FBI against our communities. The National Moratorium internationalized our struggles by having a rally at the United Nations Building in New York and by presenting to the U.N. Commission on Human Rights documentation on police repression. The documentation included affidavits and depositions from survivors and from relatives of people who had been murdered by the police.

Preparation for the National Moratorium revealed that in the last five years in this country more 3rd World People have been killed, wounded, abused, or injured by the Police, than the number of casualties in the last ten year struggle for the re-unification of Ireland. This represents an undeclared state of war against 3rd World People in this country. Investigation revealed that in none of the incidents of police murders has there ever been a significant conviction resulting in jail time for the cop. These murders are not isolated events attributable to bad cops but rather fits into the plans of U.S. imperialism.

This means that the police and other state agencies of repression (BIA-MIGRA) will clearly carry-out their role of occupying armies in our communities. As such, they will seek out new forms to intimidate and harass our communities. Examples include: closing off whole streets to public access (as is being done in L.A. and San Francisco), wholesale stops of people of color, either because they are "looking for a suspect" who is of color (remember the Zebra searches in San Francisco) or because they claim to be looking for undocumented workers.

Currently, there is an attempt to introduce "work-cards" in California — if you do not have them you can't work. This is nothing more than an attempt to introduce apartheid here in the United States in a piecemeal manner. They will increase the sterilization of 3rd World women for one reason or another, with or without their consent. The concentration camps (prisons) already exist for our "internment". When these "legal" steps fail, they will turn to outright murder in the form of "justifiable homicide". Remember, Barlow Benavidez and countless others who have been killed at the hands of the agencies of repression — as the economic crisis increases they will resort to this more and more.

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Epecially as our numbers increase, the objective of these actions will be to *intimidate our communities into passivity*. They will seek to intimidate/eliminate our leaders, as well as to intimidate our communities from demanding our human/democratic rights. We can not allow this to happen. We must continue to resist for our existence.

## REPRESSION BREEDS RESISTANCE

These acts of repression are not isolated events but rather respond to specific needs of the government to intimidate our communities into passivity. U.S. imperialism has built primarily on the exploitation of 3rd World Peoples both within the current boundaries of this country and in the rest of the world. The U.S. empire has been built on the robbery/killing/exploitation of Blacks, Puerto Ricans, Native Americans and Chicano/Mexicanos. Individual "cops" are not the problem, rather they are tools of the problem — U.S. imperialism. In order for us to survive, we must destroy the empire not simply replace it's administrators/functionaries.

We as the Comité Nacional and the Comité de California will continue to organize our people to resist these acts of repression. We will continue to build on the work of the National Moratorium, on the work done around grand jury resistance, as well as to continue to solidify the unity between Chicano/Mexicanos and Puerto Ricans and other 3rd World Peoples in this country.

## PRINCIPLES OF UNITY

1. Repressive agencies out of our Communities: B.I.A., Migra, Cops, F.B.I., C.I.A., A.T.F.
2. Self-determination for Chicanos/Mexicanos, Puerto Ricans in this country, Blacks, and Native Americans.
3. Independence for Puerto Rico.
4. Support the Revolutionary struggle in Mexico. No collaboration with the Mexican government.

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If you are in agreement with these Principles of Unity and/or would like more information on the Comité and our work, please call 636-1831 or write us at 2632 68th Avenue, Oakland, California 94605.