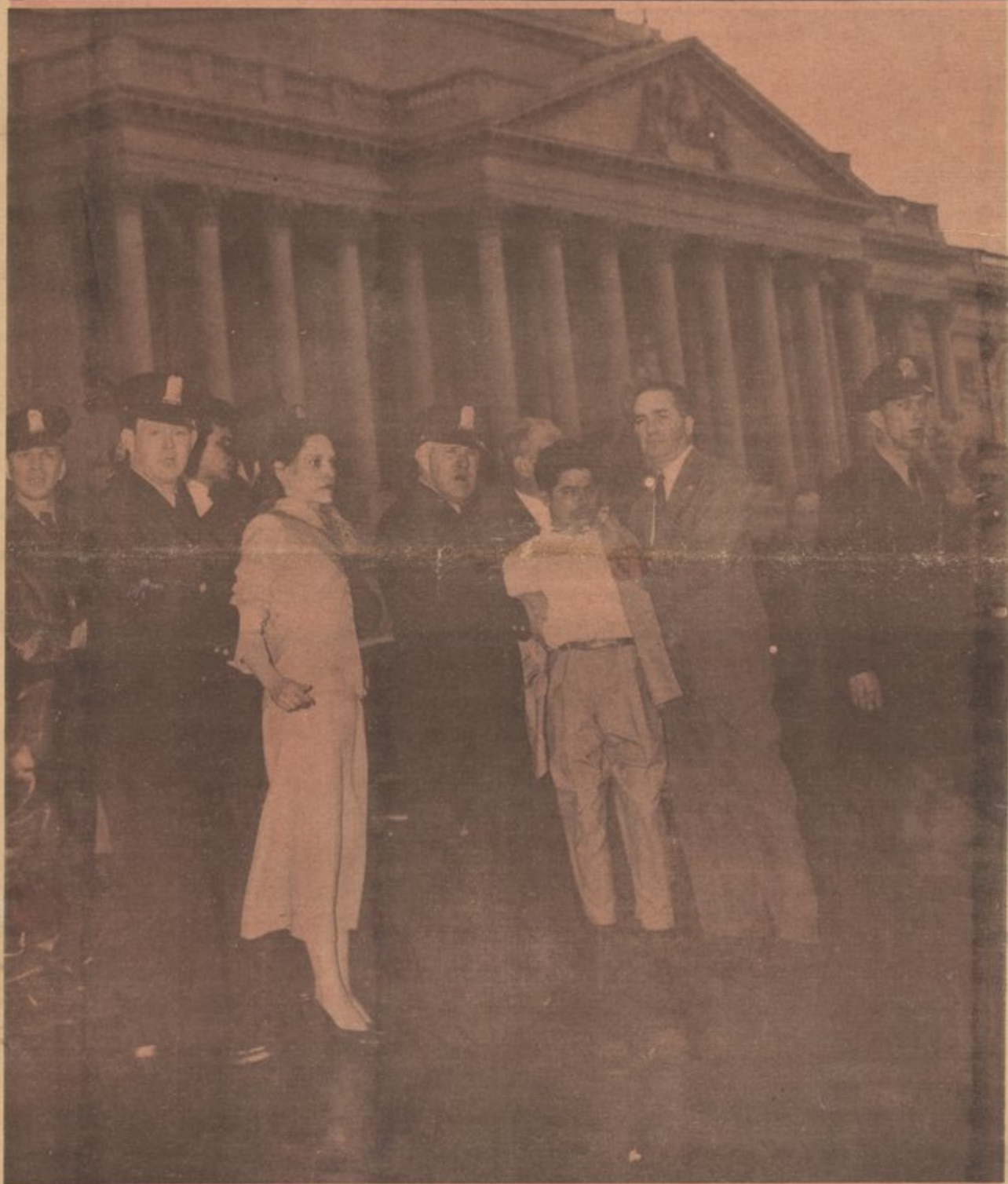


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## Bronx High Schools Demonstrate

On Thursday, May 7, 500 Bronx high school students were attacked and many were savagely beaten by a mob of wild, racist pigs at the Arthur Avenue draft board. The Puerto Rican and Black students from Morris H.S. and Jane Addams H.S. were exercising their constitutional right (1st amendment) to assemble and peacefully demonstrate against the Cambodian Invasion and the Vietnamese War.

It is obvious that the pig power structure of NYC no longer recognizes any rights for the Puerto Rican and Black community. Students who had been picketing peacefully were chased as far as 4 blocks, beaten, and left bleeding on the ground. A sister was chased by 4 pigs in a car when she couldn't run anymore, they beat her to the ground and left her there. Another sister who didn't move fast enough was pinned up against a fence by a 6-foot tall pig who broke his club over her head. When a YOUNG LORD with medical supplies tried to help her, he was attacked by 2 more pigs. Another member of the YLO was also singled out and clubbed.

The draft board demonstration grew out of the struggle of Morris H.S. students to have a voice in the running of their school. Two weeks before, a member of the YLO was forbidden to speak to students and threatened with arrest, even though two classes and their teachers had invited him in to discuss the YLO 13-Point Program.

The students were angry and demanded to know why they couldn't invite speakers into their school. Doesn't education mean an exchange of ideas? Why was the school administration trying to prevent them from hearing a speaker who would talk about the realities of life in the Puerto Rican and Black community? What were they trying to hide? The Brothers and Sisters were demanding a true education of their culture, and an education that dealt with



### YOUNG LORD SPEAKS AT MORRIS HIGH SCHOOL

the Puerto Rican and Black heritage and history of fighting against cultural and economic genocide. Point 6 of the YLO 13-Point Program says "We want a true education of our creole culture and language."

The Morris students drew up a list of demands and presented them to the principal, a Black "tom" who puts her career over the education of our people. The people were demanding the right to have a student-written and controlled newspaper (Morris has no newspaper so that Brothers and Sisters can communicate with each other and exchange ideas); to reproduce leaflets on their school's mimeograph machines, using their school's paper; to put up posters in their school; and to distribute leaflets and information inside their school. The administration doesn't want students to be able to communicate, to unite. A strong, united student body will not continue to listen to the racist, irrelevant teachings of people who neither respect nor love the Puerto Rican and Black people.

Although the elected student government approved the demands, the principal said she would not give up her right to run the school. The students took to the streets, on strike. We know, and the students know, that Morris H.S.

doesn't belong to the principal or her lackeys. Their job is to see that our people are prepared for the future; the future in a racist society that treats Puerto Ricans and Blacks as second-class citizens. If the schools do not function for our people, by giving them the skills and knowledges they need to fight this oppressive system, they should not function at all.

**THE SCHOOLS BELONG TO THE PEOPLE!  
ALL POWER TO THE STUDENTS!**

Richie Perez  
Field Lieutenant  
YOUNG LORDS

## ESTUDIANTES SE REBELAN

El Jueves, 7 de Mayo, 500 estudiantes de las escuelas superiores del Bronx fueron atacados viciousamente por un grupo de cochinos salvajes y locos en frente de las oficinas de la junta de ingreso del servicio militar obligatorio, en la avenida Arthur. Los estudiantes Puertorriqueños y Negros estaban utilizando su privilegio constitucional para demostrar pacíficamente contra la invasión de Camboya y la guerra en Viet Nam.

Esta claro que la estructura de poder de la ciudad de Nueva York ya no reconoce ningunos de los derechos de las comunidades Negras o Puertorriqueñas. Estudiantes que piquetaban pacíficamente fueron perseguidos por 4 cuadros, golpeados y tirados en la calle sangrando. Una hermana fue perseguida

hasta un parque por un carro que tenía 4 cochinos adentro; cuando y no podía correr más la agarraron y la dejaron golpeada en el suelo. A otra hermana que no se movió suficiente ligero la pusieron de espalda contra una cerca y un cochino que medía 6 pies le rompió la macana en la cabeza. Un YOUNG LORD que tenía equipo medico no la pudo ayudar porque cuando se acercó 2 cochinos lo atacaron. Otro miembro de los YOUNG LORDS fue señalado y macanado.

La demostración fue un resultado de la lucha en la escuela Morris por los estudiantes para tomar control de su escuela. Dos semanas antes, un miembro de la OYL fue prohibido hablar con los estudiantes a pesar de que dos clases y sus maestros lo invitaron a explicar el programa de la OYL.

Los estudiantes estaban furiosos y demandaron saber porque ellos no podían invitar oradores a su escuela. ¿No es la educación el cambio de ideas? Porque la administración no quiso que se hablara de las realidades de las comunidades Negras y puertorriqueñas? Las hermanas y los hermanos demandaban una verdadera educación sobre su cultura y una educación que tratara con la historia de años de lucha que los Puertorriqueños y los Negros han logrado en contra el genocidio cultural y economico. Punto #6 del Programa del OYL dice: Queremos una educación verdadera

## ¡ABAJO CON MACHISMO!

Es una realidad muy bien conocida que en nuestra cultura Puertorriqueña los hombres casados son animados a tener otra mujer por el lado, o lo que nosotros llamamos "una corteja". Es un hecho de nuestra sociedad que tratamos de esconder, y todavía esta ahí y claramente es opresivo para nuestras mujeres. La esposa esta ahí para tener hijos y para mantener el nombre y honor de la familia. Por esto ella tiene que ser "Pura" (virgen) para casarse y mantenerse "pura" durante el resto de su vida cual quiere decir no tener placer sexual. La esposa obligadamente tiene que tener hijos para realizar el concepto de la virilidad del hombre y para engrandecer su posición dentro de la sociedad puertorriqueña. La corteja se convierte en su instrumento sexual. El hombre puede establecerla en otra casa, pagándole la renta, comprándole la comida, y pagándole los billes. El hombre puede tener hijos con esta mujer pero son mirados como el producto de una relación sexual. Ambas mujeres tienen que ser fieles al hombre. Ambas mujeres son explotadas; ninguna de las dos son permitidas a desarrollarse como seres humanas completas. Las dos son forzadas a ser dependientes a un hombre por su estatura. También los hijos de ambas mujeres crecen muy confundidos y inseguros y desarrollan actitudes negativas sobre el papel y función de la mujer, tanto como un

concepto confuso de lo que es ser hombre.

Nosotros decimos que el hecho de nuestros hombres tener cortejas oprimen a las mujeres. El decimo punto de la organización de los Young Lords dice "Queremos igualdad para la mujer. Machismo tiene que ser revolucionario y no opresivo." La explotación de la mujer Puertorriqueña de parte del hombre Puertorriqueño tiene que parar; los hombres puertorriqueños tienen que darse cuenta que el machismo es una extensión del capitalismo y se tiene que derrotar. La mujer puertorriqueña tiene que darse cuenta que el opresor principal es el capitalismo de los estados unidos.

El pueblo Puertorriqueño, no puede permitir que este sistema decadente racista dirija nuestras vidas porque nos destruye. Por esto, tenemos que destruirlo primero. Nosotros tenemos que controlar nuestros propios destinos y determinar nuestras vidas para ser libres a crear un sistema nuevo y equitativo para ambos, la mujer y el hombre. Nuestra gente tiene que coger el fusil y decirle al puerco, BASTA YA!

**ADELANTE HERMANAS EN LA LUCHA  
MACHISMO ES FACISMO  
AUTO-DETERMINACION PARA TODOS LOS  
PUERTORRIQUEÑOS**

# HRUM: HEALTH WORKER ORGANIZATION

The Puerto Rican and Black worker in the Human Services is known as an assistant, assistant to the teacher, the assistant to the welfare investigator, and in the hospitals we are the assistants to the doctors, nurses, social workers, etc.

As assistants (sophisticated word for slave) we are totally oppressed and unfortunately at the same time we assist in the oppression of our people.

Eighty per cent of the hospital workers are Puerto Rican and Black—residents of the poorest communities. As Puerto Ricans and Black workers in the emergency rooms and clinics, we see what oppression in the hospital is like, the inferior medical attention our neighbors are subjected to or obligated to accept. The worker also gets the same treatment. The enemy effectively divides the people and the worker finds himself each day divided more and more into two categories: the worker that identifies with the hospital and defends the oppressive, abusive and racist thieving doctors; the worker that does not turn his back on his people and defends the patients and his co-workers above everything else.

The newly formed Health Revolutionary Unity Movement is in the second category. The organization was formed for two reasons: we know that the health system will not change unless we push that necessary change? the unions 1199 and District Council 37, even though progressive in the question of salaries, do not fight against the conditions imposed on the workers nor the quality of the medical services our people are receiving.

Many struggles have risen in the hospitals by revolutionary Puerto Rican and Black workers. During one of these struggles less than a year ago in Lincoln Hospital, the workers took over the mental health services demanding community control of the services. Also in a dump of a clinic in the Lower East Side, the Gouverneur Clinic, a similar struggle was waged.

Although the struggles have not triumphed significantly they have helped us to learn self-organization.

The organization is composed of Puerto Rican and Black workers of Metropolitan, Lincoln, Gouverneur hospitals and NENA Health Center among many others.

We insist that the time has come to act against a system that enriches itself at the

expense of our people.

So that our struggle can be effective, we must make clear our purposes. That is why the Health Revolutionary Unity Movement uses the 10-Point Program as their principal guide. Our efforts have been demonstrated with the educative newspaper, "For the People's Health." In addition, we work in complete solidarity with the organizations that have shown their commitment to serve and protest the exploitation and oppression of our people, such as: the Young Lords Organization and the Black Panther Party.

In the next edition of "For the People's Health" we shall announce our first general meeting. We invite all workers to attend and in that way join the Health Revolutionary Unity Movement.

In unity, there is strength? the same enemy of the Cambodian people is found in the hospitals.

**THE HOSPITALS BELONG TO THE PEOPLE!  
VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE!**

Gloria Cruz (fired worker—Gouverneur Clinic)  
Health Ministry  
YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION

## TRABAJADORES SE ORGANIZAN

El trabajador Puertorriqueño y Negro en los servicios humanos es conocido como asistente, el asistente al maestro, el asistente al Investigador de Welfare, y en los hospitales somos los asistentes al doctor, enfermera, trabajadora de Servicios Sociales, etc. Como asistente (palabra sofisticada para esclavo) somos totalmente oprimidos aunque desgraciadamente a la misma vez asistimos en la opresion de nuestra gente.

El 80% de los trabajadores en los hospitales son Puertorriqueños y Negros residentes de las comunidades mas pobres. Como Puertorriqueños y Negros trabajando en las salas de emergencia o clinicas vemos bien lo que es la opresion en los hospitales: la atencion medica inferior que se ven nuestros vecinos obligados aceptar. El trabajador tambien pasa por el mismo tratamiento.

El enemigo divide muy efectivamente a la gente, y los trabajadores se encuentran cada

dia mas y mas divididos en dos categorias:

1) el trabajador que se identifica con el hospital y defiende a los opresores, al doctor abrisador—pillo, racista.

2) el trabajador que no deja a su pueblo y defiende al paciente y a su companero por encima de todo.

El Movimiento Revolucionario Unitario de Salud (HRUM) nuevamente formado cae en la segunda categoria. La Organizacion fue formado principalmente por dos razones. Sabemos que el sistema de salud no cambiara al menos que nosotros no obligemos ese cambio necesario. Las uniones 1199 Dist 37 aunque progresista en cuestion de salarios, no se abren a las condiciones en que se encuentran los trabajadores ni se preocupan con la calidad de servicios medicos para nuestro pueblo.

Entre estas luchas recordamos que hace poco mas de un ano en el hospital Lincoln los trabajadores ocuparon los edificios de Servicios Salud Mental con demandas de control comunal de esos servicios. Tambien en una ratonera de clinica en el bajo Manhattan,



**KALIA LEADER OF FIGHT-BACK, BLACK WORKERS GROUP, SPEAKS**

La clinica Gouverneur, se llevo acabo similar lucha. Aunque las luchas no han sido significadamente triunfante nos han ayudado a comprender la necesidad de organizacion propia.

La organizacion se compone de trabajadores Puertorriqueños y Negros del hospital Metropolitan, Lincoln, Gouverneur, NENA Health Center, entre muchos otros. Insistimos de que ha llegado el tiempo para actuar en contra de un sistema que enriquece mientras nuestra Gente muere.

Para que nuestra lucha sea efectiva tenemos que hacer claro nuestros propositos. Por lo tanto el Movimiento Revolucionario Unitario de Salud usa el programa de diez puntos de salud como su guia principal. Nuestros esfuerzos se han demostrado con el Periodico educativo "Para La Salud del Pueblo." En adiccion trabajamos en completa solaridad con las organizaciones que han demostrado su devocion a servir y proteger nuestros pueblos explotados—oprimidos. La organizacion de LOS YOUNG LORDS y Las Panteras Negras han demostrado esta devocion.

En la proxima edicion del "Para La Salud Del Pueblo", anunciaremos nuestro primer mitin general. Envitamos a todos los trabajadores que vengan y asi pues ingresar al Movimiento Revolucionario Unitario de Salud. En la Union esta la fuerza.

VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE

LOS HOSPITALES PERTENECEN AL PUEBLO

Gloria Cruz

Fired Worker—Gouverneur Clinic

Health Ministry—YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION



**Hospital Workers Rally From Mt. Sinai, Metropolitan, Flower 5th To Protest Invasion of Cambodia.**

# LOLITA LEBRON Y COMPAÑEROS LUCHAN POR PR

El 1 de Marzo del 1954, miembros de la cámara de representantes de los e.u. estaban discutiendo su imperio, haciendo decisiones que afectarían gente en todas partes del mundo. Uno de los tópicos que se iba a discutir ese día era la posición del distrito Chamizal entre tejas y mejico; el gobierno mejicano quería devuelto ese distrito y los e.u. no se lo quería dar. Los gobernantes del imperio de los e.u. también, iban a discutir la posición de Puerto Rico porque nuestra nación todavía estaba reaccionando a la revolución del 1950. Eran las doce del medio día cuando una mujer y tres hombres se pararon en la galería de espectadores. La mujer, bajita y delgada, agarro su revolver, un 45 automatico, y con dos manos disparo los primeros tiros y siguio hasta que lo vacio. Sus tres compañeros hicieron igual y por cinco minutos dispararon hacia bajo del salon de la casa. Los gordos viejos dirigentes auto-proclamados parecian gallinas con las cabezas cortadas corriendo en todas direcciones y muertos del miedo. Mientras los cuatro vaciaban sus pistolas los guardias se les acercaron, Lolita Lebron desenvolvio la bandera Puertorriqueña y se la envolvió en sus brazos y grito para que el mundo la oyera **"QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE"**

Lolita Lebron, 31 años; Rafael Cancel Miranda, 25 años; Irving Flores Rodriguez, 23 años; y Andres Figueroa Cordero, 23 años; dieron un golpe contra el poder colonial de los e.u. ese día que solo ha sido igualado en atrevimiento, valor y dedicación a la causa de Liberación de la nación Puertorriqueña, por el atento a asesinato al presidente Truman en el 1950 por Oscar Collazo y Griselio Torresola. Ellos llegaron a herir seriamente a cinco congresistas ese día incluso a uno de Nueva York. Lo que intentaban era enseñarle al congreso de los e.u. (de cual el comite de asuntos insulares y la cámara de asuntos insulares y territoriales, controlaban todo aspecto de la vida de Puerto Rico) que la gente de Puerto Rico preferiría morir luchando por su liberación antes que estar sentados tomando aire y velando los norteamerikkkanos decidiendo nuestras vidas y destinos.

En muchas maneras, estos cuatro Borinqueños dieron un fuerte golpe, no solo para Puerto Rico pero también para todos los pueblos del tercer mundo aquí en los estados unidos y alrededor del mundo. Uno de los cuatro, Rafael Cancel Miranda era por mucho tiempo un luchador de liberación por el pueblo Afro Americano aquí en los estados unidos. El había sido arrestado en Puerto Rico por rehusar ingresarse al servicio militar obligatorio de los estados unidos y fue sentenciado a tres años de prision. Durante el tiempo en Atlanta, Tallahasee, y otras prisiones federales, él activamente trato de organizar hermanos negros para luchar contra el racismo y opresión cual ellos enfrentaban más que otros prisioneros. Como resultado de su efectividad en sus actividades y su valor (él, frecuentemente patiba la jara por ser abusadores con él y sus hermanos) lo cambiaban de prision a prision y muchas veces lo mantenian en solitaria.

Esto, además de que en ese día discutian la tierra chamizal entre mejico y los estados unidos caso que los pueblos de America Latina nombraran a los cuatro guerreros puertorriqueños. "Los Caballeros de la Raza". Esto quizo decir que el golpe no fue solo para los puertorriqueños pero también para todos los pueblos del tercer mundo (La raza).

Lolita, Rafael, Andres y Irving eran trabajadores humildes quienes vivian en nueva york y desarrollaban a la gente del Partido Nacionalista aquí. Lolita Lebron, la valiente lider del grupo, trabajaba en una fabrica en nueva york como la mayoría de nuestras hermanas. Ella tenía dos hijos y al tiempo del ataque era secretaria principal de la Junta en Nueva York. Era delgada y bajita (como 4 pies con 10 pulgadas en estatura 95 libras) pero tenía el valor y la energia de diez personas. Desde el atento a la revolución en el 1950, había sido bien activa en las campañas

de publicidad y de levantar fondos para la libertad de prisioneros políticos. También trabajo para evitar el asesinato de Oscar Collazo en la silla electrica.

Rafael Cancel Miranda era un hermano alto (6 pies con 2 pulgadas) conocido por todo el Partido Nacionalista por su fuerza, (intensa) actividad política, y odio para el opresor norteamerikkka. Muchas veces bofetaba a gringos o jara colonial que faltará respeto a o abusara con nuestra gente. Era lijero de mano y como se vio en la acción de la casa de representantes, lijero con su pistola. Rafael también tenía dos hijos y al tiempo del ataque trabajaba, igual que Lolita, en una fabrica de Nueva York.

Andres Figueroa Cordero, era un hermano bajito, cojo. Trabajo por muchos años en la bodega de Pedro y Julia en la esquina de la 103 y park ave. como carnicero. El era de la junta del Partido Nacionalista en nueva york como también lo era Irving Flores, y fue muy activo durante la campana de conseguir libertad para los prisioneros políticos del 1950.

Como de costumbre, los Estados Unidos uso este acto de liberación como excusa para oprimir más a los Puertorriqueños, especialmente a esos que trabajaban activamente en las campañas para la liberación de los prisioneros políticos del 1950.

## ACTO HEROICO

Con Lolita, Rafael, Andres, y Irving once otros hermanos y hermanas Borinqueños de Nueva York fueron arrestados y acusados de conspiración contra el gobierno de los estados unidos. En Puerto Rico, Don Pedro Albizu Campos, fue encarcelado, por decirle a un reportero que los cuatro patriotas habían "realizado un acto sublime de heroismo". Don Pedro había sido perdonado despues de haber servido cuatro años de una sentencia a muerte por su papel en la revolución del 1950. Pero ahora, en contra de sus propias leyes pendejas, el alcahuete, gobernado colonial Luis Munoz Marin retracto el perdon y encarcelo a Don Pedro por haber echo una declaración publica. Permanecio encarcelado hasta que asesinado con "tratamientos" en el 1965.

Conrad Lynn y Mark Lane fueron entre los abogados que defendieron "Los Caballeros de la Raza" y los otros once hermanos y hermanas. Despues de mucha propaganda sobre "la violenta conspiración contra el gobierno," Lolita Lebron fue sentenciada a de 25 a 50 años de prision, y Rafael Cancel Miranda, Irving Flores Rodriguez y Andres

Figueroa Cordero a 25 hasta 75 años de prision. Los cuatro todavía estan presos en prisiones federales, Lolita en Virginia y los tres hermanos en Leavenworth, Kansas. Los otros once hermanos y hermanas fueron sentenciados a de 6 a 10 años y varios de ellos estan fuera bajo palabra o estan cumpliendo con sus sentencias ahora.

## LUCHA ARMADA

La lección que tenemos que aprender de nuestros hermanos y hermanas es que nosotros los Puertorriqueños no somos Neoyorquinos ni nada de esa mierda. Somos Borinqueños aunque no nos han enseñado de nuestros guerreros, de nuestra historia, ni de nuestra isla. Más importante, debemos entender que todo lo que pasa en nuestra patria nos afecta aquí, igualmente que todo lo que nosotros hacemos aquí afecta allá, como lo que nuestros compatriotas hicieron en la casa de representantes afecta nuestra gente allá. Ellos nos enseñaron que aquí tenemos que levantar la pistola de Lolita, Rafael, y Oscar Collazo, y seguir el camino así a la liberación señalada por Don Pedro Albizu Campos: Lucha Armada. Lolita y los hermanos creían firmemente y practicaban las enseñanzas de Albizu, "para quitarnos la patria tienen que quitarnos la vida," y "La patria es Valor y Sacrificio." Estas frases expresan las experiencias de nuestro pueblo colonizado que lleva 72 años de lucha tratando de libertarnos del imperialismo Norte Amerikkkano. Sino no nos espavilamos con las palabras de nuestras hermanas y hermanos caidos, nos vamos a volver la última generación de Puertorriqueños, acabada por el genocidio mientras vacilamos, nos arebatamos y chuliamos programas contra la pobreza.

De acuerdo con el punto numero 9 del programa de los YOUNG LORDS (Queremos la libertad de todo prisionero político), demandamos la libertad inmediata de "Los Caballeros de la Raza." Lolita Lebron, Rafael Cancel Miranda, Irving Flores Rodriguez, y Andres Figueroa Cordero tienen que ser soltados porque ellos no han cometido crimen ninguno, solo han tratado de liberarnos de la dominación colonial.

**IMEDIATA LIBERTAD PARA  
"LOS CUATRO DE LA RAZA"  
LIBERTAD PARA TODO  
PRESO POLITICO!  
QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO  
LIBRE!**

Carlos Aponte  
Ministerio de Educación  
Organización de los Young Lords



IZQUIERDA A DERECHA: IRVING FLORES, RAFAEL MIRANDA  
LOLITA LEBRON, ANDRES CORDERO.

# LOLITA LEBRON

## Puerto Rican Liberation Fighter

On March 1, 1954, the members of the u.s. house of representatives were busily discussing their empire, making decisions that would affect people the world over. One of the topics to be discussed that day was the status of the Chamizal district between Texas and Mexico, that the Mexican government wanted back (and which the u.s. did not want to give up). The rulers of the united states empire were also going to discuss Puerto Rico that day since our nation was still reacting to the attempted revolution of 1950. It was twelve noon when a woman and three men stood up in the spectators gallery. The small, slender woman grabbed her .45 automatic with both hands, fired the first shots and kept on going until her clip was empty. Her three companions did the same and for the five minutes that they shot down into the house floor, the fat, old, self-proclaimed rulers, looked like chickens with their heads cut off running in every direction, and scared to death. As all four emptied their guns, and the house guards came at them, Lolita Lebron, unfurled the Puerto Rican flag, wrapped it around her arms and yelled for the world to hear, "QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE."

Lolita Lebron, 31, Rafael Cancel Miranda, 25, Irving Flores Rodriguez, 23, and Andres Figueroa Cordero, 23, struck a blow against the united states colonial power that day that is only equalled in its daring, courage, and dedication to the cause of the liberation of the Puerto Rican nation by the attempted assassination of president ruman in 1950 by Oscar Collazo and Griselo Torresola. They managed to wou d five congressmen that day (including one from New York very seriously). Their intent was to show the united states congress (whose house committee on Insular Affairs and senate committee on Territorial and Insular Affairs rule every aspect of Puerto Rican life) that the people of Puerto Rico would rather die fighting for our liberation than sit idly by and watch our destinies and lives decided and determined by northamerikkkan rulers.

### BLOW FOR ALL

### THIRD WORLD

In many ways those four Borinquenos struck a blow not only for Puerto Rico but for all Third World people in the united states and around the planet. One of the four, Rafael Cancel Miranda had long been an advocate of liberation for Afro-american people in the united states. He had been arrested in Puerto Rico in 1948 for refusing to be drafted into the u.s. army and had been sentenced to three years in jail. During his time in the Atlanta, Tallahassee, and other federal prisons, he actively tried to organize black brothers to fight against the racism and oppression that they faced more than other prisoners. Because of the effectiveness of his activities and his courage (he frequently kicked guards in their asses for abusing him or his brothers), he spent most of his time being transferred from one jail to another or being kept in solitary.

As always, the united states treated this act of liberation as an excuse to repress more Puerto Ricans, especially those who had been active in the campaigns to free the political prisoners of 1950. Along with Lolita, Rafael, Andres, and Irving, eleven other Boricuas from New York were charged with attempting to overthrow the government of the united states. In Puerto Rico, Don Pedro Albizu Campos, was sent to jail for saying to a reporter that the four patriots had "realized an act of sublime heroism." Don Pedro had been pardoned after serving four years of a life sentence for his role in the revolution of 1950. But now, through a blatant violation of their own jive laws, colonial puppet governor Luis Munoz Marin retracted the pardon and sent Don Pedro back to jail just for making a public statement. He stayed in jail until he was killed through "treatments" in 1965.



This plus the fact that the Chamizal land between Mexico and the united states was being discussed that day caused people all over Latin America to label the four Puerto Rican warriors, "LOS CABALLEROS DE LA RAZA." This meant that they struck a blow not only for Puerto Rico but for all people of the Third World (La Raza).

Lolita, Rafael, Andres, and Irving were all Puerto Ricans of humble working backgrounds who had been living in New York and building up the Nationalist Party Junta (mission) here. Lolita Lebron, the valient leader of the group, worked in a factory in New York just like most of our sisters still do. She had two children and at the time of the attack was head secretary of the Junta in New York City. She was small in size (about 4 feet, 10 inches - 95 pounds) but had the courage and energy of ten people. Since the attempted revolution in 1950, she had been active in the publicity and fund raising campaigns to free the political prisoners and keep Oscar Collazo from being murdered in the electric chair.

Rafael Cancel Miranda was a tall (6 feet, 2 inches) brother who was known throughout the Nationalist Party for his strength, intense political activity, and hatred of the northamerikkkan oppressor. He often smacked gringos or colonial police who showed disrespect or abused our people. He was fast with his hands and as the house of representatives action showed, fast with a gun. Rafael also had two children and at the time of the attack was, like Lolita, working in one of New York City's sweat shops.

Andres Figueroa Cordero, was a short brother who walked with a limp. He had worked for years at Pedro and Julia's bodega on the corner of 103rd Street and Park Avenue as a butcher. He was a cadre of the Nationalist Party Junta in New York and like Irving Flores, also a cadre, was very active in doing the work of trying to free all of the political prisoners that had been jailed in 1950.

### 50 YEARS IN JAIL

Conrad Lynn and Mark Lane were among the many lawyers who defended "LOS CABALLEROS DE LA RAZA" and the eleven other brothers and sisters. After much propaganda about the "violent attempt to overthrow the government," the court sentenced Lolita Lebron to 25 to 50 years in jail; and Rafael Cancel Miranda, Irving Flores Rodriguez, and Andres Figueroa Cordero to 25 to 75 years in jail. All four are still in federal jails, with Lolita in Virginia and the three brothers in Leavenworth, Kansas. The other eleven brothers and sisters were given 6 to 10 years, and some of them are out on parole or done with their sentences now.

The lessons that we must learn from our valiant sister and brothers is that we Puerto Ricans in the united states are not New Yoricans or any such bullshit non-people. We are Borinquenos, whether or not we have been taught about our warriors, our history, and our island. Most importantly, we should understand that everything that happens in our country affects us here, and likewise everything we do here, as our compatriots did in the house of reps, affects our people there. They showed us that it is up to us here to pick up the gun from Lolita, Rafael, and Oscar Collazo, and follow the path towards liberation and the brothers firmly believed and practiced the teachings of Albizu that "In order to take our nation, they must first take our lives," and "The Nation is Valor and Sacrifice." These are not empty words or mere slogans. They express the experiences of our colonized people who have struggled for 72 years to free us from united states imperialist control. Unless we heed the words of our fallen brothers and sisters, we will become the last generation of Puerto Ricans who bugalooed, shot-up, or poverty-pimped their time away while genocide was being brought down on us.

In accordance with point number 9 of the YLO Program (We want freedom for all political prisoners), we demand the release of "LOS CABALLEROS DE LA RAZA." Lolita Lebron, Rafael Cancel Miranda, Irving Flores Rodriguez, and Andres Figueroa Cordero must be set free for they have committed no crime, but have instead tried to liberate us from colonial domination.

IMMEDIATE FREEDOM FOR  
"LOS CUATRO DE LA RAZA"  
FREE ALL POLITICAL  
PRISONERS!  
QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE!  
Carlos Abonte  
Ministry of Education

### PIG OF THE WEEK

This week's PIG OF THE WEEK award goes to spiro t. agnew, the vice president of the united states of amerikkka. Pig agnew should get an extra stripe for speeding up the process of fascism in this country. spiro should be given due credit (people tried to discredit him by giving the honor to gov. daley in chicago) for being the first governor to give orders to the pig department to "shoot to kill" all looters during riots. This was in 1968 when he was governor of maryland. Add to this list of vices besides faciam, censorship of the press, a love of war and an undying devotion to stop "communism" by erasing all Third World people from the face of the earth.

Let it never be said that spiro t. agnew does not deserve his award as PIG OF THE WEEK. Watch him in the future—he shows true potential to become pig of ALL times!



El premio de esta semana se lo regalamos a spiro t. agnew, el VICIOSO vice-presidente de los estados unidos de amerikkka. El puercio agnew debe recibir una raya adicional por adelantar el proceso del facismo en este pais. Debemos darle credito (no hagan como alguna gente que lo despreciaron cuando le dieron el credito al gobernador daley de chicago) por ser el primer gobernador que le dio la orden al departamento de puercos para que "tiraran a matar" a los pillajeros durante motines. Esto fue en el 1968 cuando era gobernador de maryland. Anadan a su lista de vicios ademas de facismo, la censura de la prensa, amor de guerra, y una devocion a acabar con el "comunismo," y acabar con toda la gente del Tercer Mundo. Nunca digan que el no bien merece su premio como PUERCIO DE LA SEMANA' Veleno en el futuro—el demuestra potencial de volverse el puercio mas grande de todo tiempo!



nosotros, y la administracion facista de Nixon ha soltado la policia politica del F.B.I. y a botado los pretendimientos de justicia y igualdad bajo la ley. La labia a la Constitucion de los Estados Unidos de amerikka se ha substituido con terror facista y represion pura. Cienes de nuestros miembros del Partido han sido arrestados bajo cargos politicos. Una multitud de nuestros miembros del Partido se pudren en las carceles y las prisiones bajo fianzas tan altas como si fueran precios de rescate. Por lo largo y corto de este pais depravado, la situacion es igual. No es nada mas que un atento a sabotear la lucha de 400 anos de nuestro pueblo por libertad y liberacion.

Nuestro Ministro de Defensa, Huey P. Newton, nos ensena que para asegurarnos de las agresiones del enemigo, siempre tenemos que estar en una posicion de infligir una consecuencia politica al agresor por cada acto de agresion. Este atento de matar a Chairman Bobby Seale en sangre fria en la Silla Electrica es una provocacion y la ultima agresion contra el pueblo negro. Es un paso calculado cojido por los puercos facistas desenvolviendo su malicioso plan de genocidio contra el pueblo negro. Nosotros, la gente negra, si nos obligan a hacerlo solo, tenemos que prepararnos para soltar la ultima consecuencia politica a esta nacion racista. La ultima consecuencia politica que el pueblo negro tiene en su poder es soltar GUERRA RACIAL. Realmente, hemos sido y a este

mismo momento somos las victimas de represion racista y sistematica. El Partido de la Pantera Negra, como todo el mundo sabe, ha tratado de evitar precisamente esta desastrosa GUERRA RACIAL por la cual los opresores han trabajado dia y noche pero no podemos y no continuaremos esta politica hasta el punto de suicidio racial. No sacrificaremos al Chairman Bobby Seale por harmonia interracial si la gente blanca continuan a sentarse y permitir que este complot adelante. Si los llamados amantes de libertad amerikkana blanca, no se paran ahora mientras todavia quedan algunos momentos, y ponen un fin a la persecucion del Chairman Bobby Seale, entonces el pueblo Negro tendra que hacerlo solo y adelantar solo. Esto quiere decir un fin a nuestros sueños de guerra entre clases tan necesaria en amerikka y el comienzo de la GUERRA RACIAL que amerikka no puede soportar. Esta es la consecuencia politica que se le presenta a amerikka por el atento a asesinar a Chairman Bobby Seale en la Silla Electrica.

Eldridge Cleaver

Ministro de Informacion

Partido de la Pantera Negra

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## LA PANTERA NEGRA

# MANIFIESTO

LOS FACISTAS YA HAN DECIDIDO MATAR AL CHAIRMAN BOBBY SEALE EN LA SILLA ELECTRICA.

**SOBRE:** La muerte politica ya planeada para el Chairman del Partido de la Pantera Negra, Bobby Seale, en la silla electrica en el estado de Connecticut.

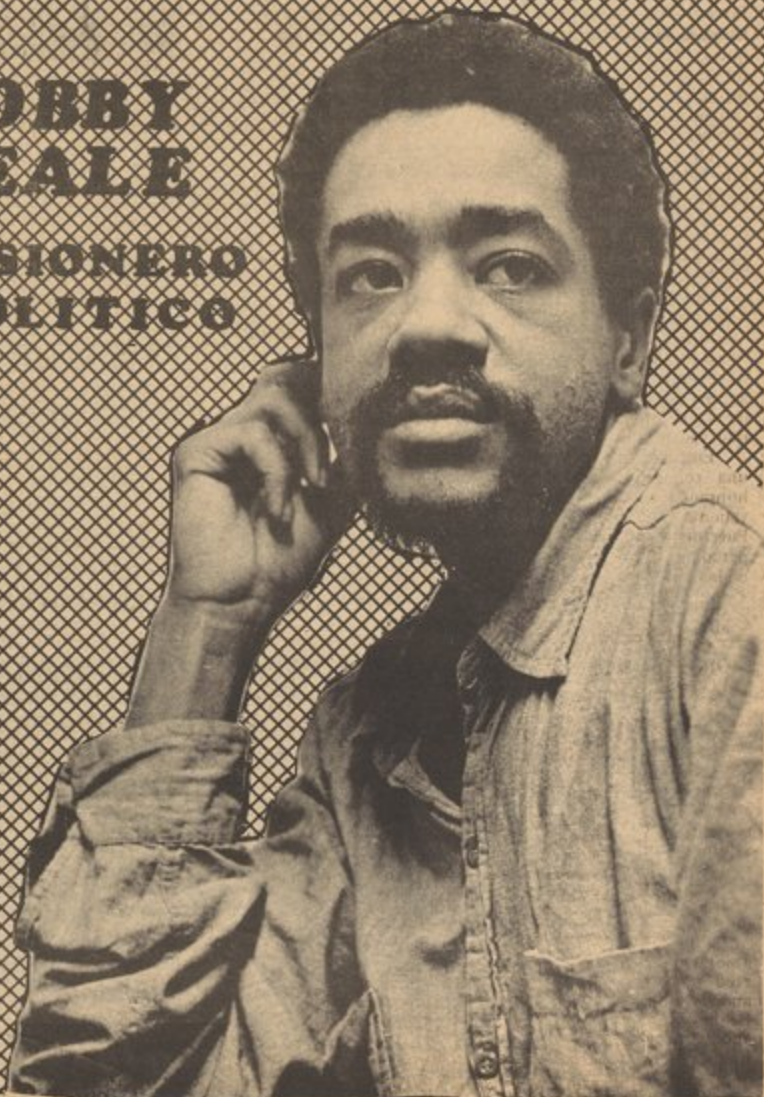
La primera tarea de la Revolucion Americana, en este punto en nuestra historia, es derrotar la maniobra numero uno, de hacer un ejemplo de Bobby Seale destruyendo al liderato del Partido de la Pantera Negra y asi amenazar a nuestros miembros en particular y a todas otras organizaciones y personas progresivas. Esto debe de estar claro aun a un ciego. La persecucion politica de Chairman Bobby Seale empezo hace 4 anos—del principio del Partido de la Pantera Negra—y geograficamente, sigue un camino de cargos falsos desde Oakland, Sacrament, Berkeley, San Francisco, Chicago y ahora Connecticut. El complot contra Bobby Seale en particular es tan obvio que hasta estos puercos sinverguenzas no se han atrevido hacerlo.

Pero el hecho que ellos van a toda velocidad con su conspiracion desgraciada debe de aclararle a la gente amerikkana, por la ultima vez, que un tiempo desesperado esta encima de nosotros y que no tenemos tiempo de perder si vamos a salvar la situacion. Porque una cosa tiene que estarle absolutamente clara a amerikka: No importa lo que la gente blanca de amerikka esten preparados a aceptar, el pueblo negro no aceptara este ultimo atento a amarrar y callar a Bobby Seale con muerte por el liderato que el le ha dado a nuestro pueblo.

El pueblo negro nunca aceptara esta decision premeditada de la estructura facista en poder de matar al Chairman Bobby Seale en la Silla Electrica. Asi que la pregunta ahora pura y simple es: ?Va amerikka a tener una Guerra de Clases o una Guerra Racial? Los facistas ya han declarado guerra contra el pueblo. ?Se levantara el pueblo entero a contestar este desafio con una Guerra del Pueblo contra estos puercos facistas o tendra el pueblo negro que hacerlo solo, asi transformando un sueño de solidaridad interracial a una pesadilla de Guerra Racial.

Nuestros hermanos son asesinados por puercos mientras duermen, nuestras oficinas son victimas de ataque militar, nuestros abogados son sentenciados a prision juntos a

**BOBBY SEALE PRISIONERO POLITICO**



Cuando uno piensa de la historia de la gente Negra y Puertorriquena, uno puede ver bien claro el intento de robarnos nuestra cultura. Este intento obvio de quitarnos nuestra cultura y hacernos menos que humano se hace mintiendonos de la realidad de nuestros heroes Latinos y Negros.

Malcolm X, nacido en amerikkka, creyente de la religion Muslim, fue uno de los pocos hermanos que pudo estricarse de la degradacion en cual nosotros, los Puertorriquenos y Negros nos encontramos aqui en Babylonia. El empezo a hablar de nuestra situacion en terminos honestos y realísticos.

Cuando Malcom hablaba en los clubes de baile o en las esquinas, el nunca discutia cual religion era mejor, quien era mas Negro que quien, o cual organizacion era mejor que la otra, ni quien era mas Puertorriqueno que quien. El solo hablaba de nuestra necesidad basica—la de controlar la tierra. Punto numero 7 del Programa de la ORGANIZACION DE LO YOUNG LORDS dice: "Queremos control comun de todas nuestras instituciones y tierras." Sin control de nuestra tierra, religion, escuelas, nuestras vidas no nos pertenecen y en realidad no somos nada mas que "esclavos del siglo 20" como el hermano tan bien dijo.

Cuando hablamos de tierra, la conversacion naturalmente se extiende a revolucion. Revolucion con sangre. Negros y Puertorriquenos siempre han luchado para ser libres y obtener control de sus vidas. Hemos tratado todas las maneras posible y no hemos logrado nada. Por eso es que ahora estamos hablando de revolucion. Sabemos que este sistema nunca nos permitira controlar nuestra tierra. Lo que tenemos que aprender ahora es que tendramos que luchar por ese control; Malcolm sabia esto. El dijo: "No podemos cantar de la question de tierra—Tenemos que luchar para obtenerla."

Malcolm miro hacia la situacion de los hermanos y las hermanas VietNameses y vio lo que ellos estaban haciendo sobre la question de su libertad. Revoluciones son sangrientas, y Malcolm vio que aparte de los veteranos de guerra, casi nadie en amerikkka ha visto la muerte de masas de gente. Desde que el "Sur-bajo" y el "Sur-norte" pelearon no se ha visto ninguna guerra en amerikkka propia. Los amerikkkanos hacen todo su trabajo sucio fuera donde los ojos de "la mayoría callada" no lo vean.

La gente de amerikkka se afician cuando uno habla de muerte y violencia fisica pero no se dan cuenta que su vida entera tiene base en la violencia. Miren a VietNam, a Cambodia, a Puerto Rico, y a nuestras comunidades aqui mismo en amerikkka.

Malcolm trato de educar a las masas del pueblo. Algunos lo escucharon, otros no. Las organizaciones revolucionarias de hoy dia estan educando. Algunos estan escuchando, otros no. Alguna gente todavia se ponen a leer libros sobre "Pensamiento Revolucionario" o aparecen en todas las reunion es pensando que eso es lo unico que tienen que hacer. Pero, que van hacer cuando no haigan mas libros?

Empezando el Martes, Mayo 19, va haber una reunion y un festival de cinco dias honrando a Malcolm, uno de los heroes mas valiente de cual los pueblos Negro y Puertorriqueno pueden ser orgullosos. La parada empieza a las doce de la tarde. Saldran de la calle 160 y Broadway.

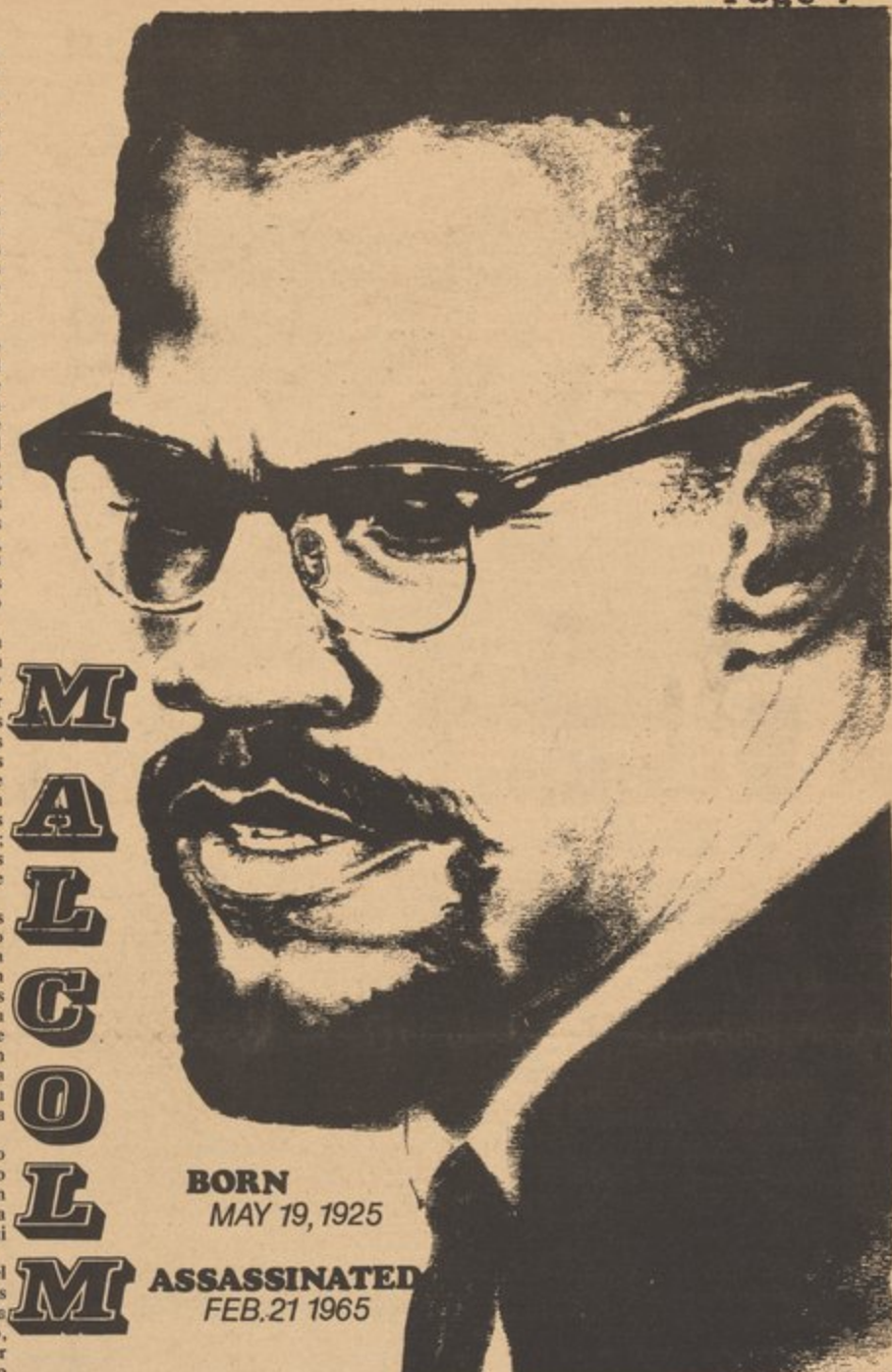
Umar Muntu Bakr  
Ministerio de Defensa

ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS

**MALCOLM X**

When one looks back at the history of Black and Puerto Rican people in relation to white western amerikkka, one can see the attempt to westernize us and erase our culture. The obvious attempt to take away our culture and dehumanize us is really an attempt to lie about our Latin and Black heroes.

Malcolm X, an Orthodox Muslim, born in amerikkka, was one of the few brothers to rise out of the degradation that all Blacks and Puerto Ricans experience in Babylonia. He began to talk about our situation honestly and realistically.



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When Malcolm spoke in ballrooms or on street corners, he would never argue over whose religion was better, over who was blacker, over whose organization was better, or over who is more Puerto Rican than who. He would rap about our most basic need—control of land (Point #7 of the Y.L.O. program states: We want community control of our institutions and land). Without the control of the land that you eat, sleep, work, worship, live or learn on, your religion is not yours, the products of your work are not yours, the teachings of your schools are not yours, your lives are not yours and in reality, you are nothing but "20th century slaves" as Malcolm puts it.

When talking about land, the conversation naturally leads to revolution. Bloody revolution. Blacks and Puerto Ricans have always struggled to be free and to control their own lives. We have tried every way possible and we have not gotten anywhere. That is why at this point we are talking about revolution. We know that this system will never allow us to control our land. What we have to learn now is that we have to fight for it. Malcolm knew this. He said, "You can't sing up on some land. You have to swing up on it."

Malcolm knew enough to look at the Vietnamese (so-called VietCong) brothers and sisters across the sea and see what they were doing about their freedom. Revolutions are bloody and Malcolm realized that

aside from war veterans, very few amerikkans know what mass killing looks like. There hasn't been a war in amerikkka since the economic quarrel between "down-South" and "up-South"—amerikkka does all its dirty work outside of amerikkka where the "silent majority" cannot see it.

People in amerikkka have become hung-up on death and physical violence although their whole world is based on violence. Look at Vietnam, Cambodia, Puerto Rico, and our own communities here in amerikkka.

Malcolm tried to educate the masses of the people. Some listened, and some didn't. The revolutionary organizations of today are educating. Some people are listening, and some aren't. Some people are still running around buying the latest book on "Revolutionary Thought," or attending every rally thinking that that is ALL that has to be done. Well, how you going to spend your time when there are no more "Books of the Month?"

Beginning on Tuesday, May 19, there will be a rally and 5-day festival in honor of Malcolm, one of the greatest heroes that Black and Puerto Rican people have to be proud of. The parade will begin at 12:00 noon. It will start at 160th and Broadway.

Umar Muntu Bakr  
Ministry of Defense  
YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION



Platform says: "We want a Socialist Society." We understand that the only way all of the things that are necessary for a human being to exist in this technological society can be provided is by taking control of the institutions, the government, the life and death of our people. This can only be done by organizing ourselves into a solid group of people that are armed and will put their lives on the line for the interests of the Poor and Oppressed People of the World. Revolution.

CLOTHING BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE!

David Perez  
Minister of Defense  
YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION  
New York State

East Coast Region

## ROPA GRATIS PARA EL PUEBLO

## Free Clothes FOR THE PEOPLE

The YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION has been running a series of Free Clothing Drives. The latest one was held on April 25, 1970, when over 300 mothers came and got clothes and kitchen utensils.

Our cry is a very simple and logical one. Puerto Ricans came to this country hoping to get a decent job and to provide for their families, but it didn't take long to find out that the amerikkan dream that was publicized so nicely on our island, turned out to be the amerikkan nightmare.

We live in the worst housing, and have to pay the most rent. We work the hardest and longest under the most inhumane conditions, yet we don't make enough bread to buy clothes for our children to go to school. We have to see our families live on rice and beans and crap all week.

As servants of the people (Revolutionaries), we have committed ourselves wholeheartedly to the development of our Nation of Borinquen and all humanity. We understand that our people can only be educated through observation and participation. The YLO arrived at this conclusion not because we think that people are stupid, but because so many groups or individuals have used us so much—like politicians use workers—that even our own people didn't give a damn about listening to the LORDS' political program. We had to SHOW our people what we were all about, and not TALK so much. After seeing what we were all about by example, our people got involved, at first in El Barrio, in the struggle for liberation. Soon, all Puerto Ricans will join in, because it will take all of us to free ourselves from the mental and physical chains this government has us under.

Our task in the YLO is to make our people conscious of the crimes committed against us by the fascist, racist, money-hungry capitalists. We decided to begin a free clothing program when the Department of Welfare cut the checks to 66¢ a day in New York City and our younger brothers and sisters had to go to school with three year old clothing. Also the YLO is educating everybody to the fact that our people are the ones that make those clothes at the garment center and then have to pay for them, when they are rightfully ours!

Not only that, but the mere fact that billions of dollars are spent to wage a war of aggression against other human beings, and then they say that they don't have enough money to provide clothing for our people (not even providing decent jobs so that we can pay for the damn rags).

The 13th point of the YLO Program and

LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS ha llevado a cabo una serie de programas de ropa gratis. La ultima fue llevada a cabo el 25 de Abril, 1970, donde mas de 300 personas vinieron a buscar ropas y trastes;

Nuestro grito es uno logico y simple. Puertorriquenos vinieron a este pais con las esperanzas de conseguir empleo decente y así mantener la familia. Pero pronto averiguamos que el sueño amerikkan publicado en nuestra Isla resulto ser una pesadilla amerikkana.

Vivimos en las peores viviendas y a la misma vez pagamos las rentas mas altas. Trabajamos las horas mas duras y largas bajo las condiciones mas inhumanas. Sin embargo no ganamos suficiente para comprarle ropa de escuela a nuestros hijos. Vemos a nuestra familia existir con arroz, habichuelas y basura toda la semana.

Como sirvientes revolucionarios del pueblo, nos hemos sometidos de todo corazon

al desarrollo de nuestra nacion Borinquen, y toda humanidad. Sabemos que nuestra gente sera educada solo a travez de observacion y participacion. LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS llevo a esta conclusion no creemos nuestra gente es bruta, pero porque tantos grupos y individuales nos han usado tanto, como el politico usa a los trabajadores, que nuestra propia gente no le hace caso a nuestro programa politico. Tuvimos que demostrarle a nuestra gente, de lo que nos tratamos, y dejar de hablar tanta baba. Despues de aprender por nuestro ejemplo, nuestra gente se envolvió, e primero en el Barrio, en la lucha por la Liberacion. Pronto, todos los Puertorriquenos se uniran porque se necesitara todo el pueblo para liberarnos de las cadenas mentales y fisicas que este gobierno nos impone.

Nuestra tarea en la organizacion de LOS YOUNG LODS es hacer nuestra gente consiente de los crimines cometidos contra nosotros por los facistas, racistas, capitalistas hambrientos para el dinero. Decidimos comenzar el programa de ropa gratis cuando el departamento de bienestar publico, rebajo los cheques a 66 centavos al dia en Nueva York. Nuestros hermanitos y hermanitas tienen que ir a la escuela con ropa vieja hasta de tres años.

Tambien, estaremos educando a nuestro pueblo que somos nosotros los que hacemos las ropas en las fabricas y despues nos vemos obligados a comprar lo que justamente es nuestro.

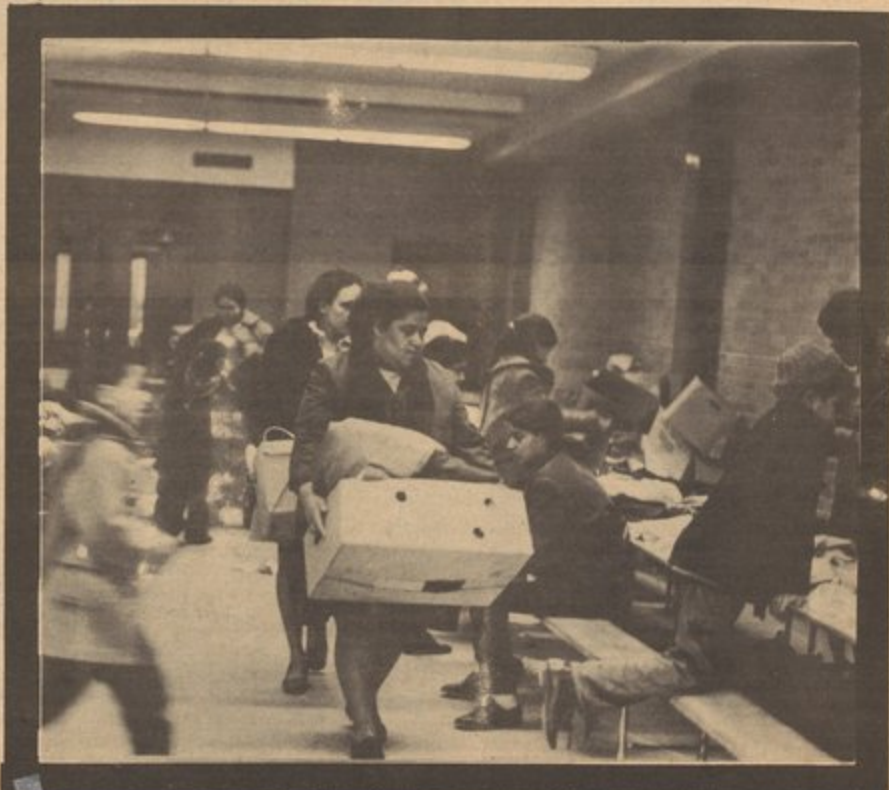
A la misma vez que billones de pesos van para las guerras agresivas contra seres hermanos, nos dicen que no hay dinero para proveer ropa para el pueblo. El punto numero 13 del programa y plataforma de la ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS dice: Queremos una sociedad socialista. Nosotros entendemos que la unica manera en cual podemos conseguir todas las cosas necesarias para vivir en esta sociedad tecnica es controlando las instituciones, el gobierno y la vida y muerte de nuestro pueblo. Esto se hara solo con una firme resolucio de organizarnos solidamente como un grupo de gente armada dispuesta a dar la vida por los intereses de la gente pobre y oprimida del mundo.

LA ROPA PERTENECE AL PUEBLO

David Perez

Ministro de Defensa

YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION





# YLO BRONX BRANCH

The YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION has been in existence, in New York State, for almost a year now, and our first concern during this year was to establish a firm base in El Barrio, our state headquarters. Had we spread out too fast all over the city we would have faced getting our asses kicked in by the pigs who were coming down hard on us. Instead, we have concentrated on educating and organizing our people, always keeping in mind, that our immediate goal was to expand our Organization. Having finally established our base in El Barrio, we opened a branch in the Bronx. The new office, situated at 949 Longwood Avenue (corner of Kelly St.), was opened early this April and will continue the programs started in El Barrio. More than this, it will begin programs relevant to the people in the Bronx area, it will also serve as a Latin Community News Service called, "Palante" in which international revolutionary news will be included, and distributed to the people of the community. This last function of the YLO came about, after we found that many of the liberation struggles undertaken by peoples in other countries are not known to people in this country, due to press "censorship" of revolutionary news.

The office is situated in the heart of an area much like El Barrio. Our warm brothers and sisters here are deep into Puerto Ricanness and political awareness. Our recruitment is growing rapidly and many brothers and sisters are offering us their services, making us a part of their everyday life.

We constantly develop new methods of serving our people and we realize that we must be wherever our people are. No matter where we live, the man is there too, ready to oppress and exploit us. This

reality has especially come close to home the few weeks we've been in the Bronx through the graft that runs rampant everywhere we look. There are police cars which patrol the area heavily, if for no other reason than for the money they collect from store owners who are forced to supply the pigs with their daily fee. The pigs, in turn, promise to protect the

businessmen from "thieves" and "undesireables" of society. We know though that the pigs don't give a damn for Puerto Rican or Black people and that in their eyes all Third World people are the "undesireables" of society.

Puerto Ricans must begin to stand together, as a united force with all Third World people, and fight the oppressor with everything within their power. No Third World person is free, nor will be free, till the beast is defeated. The YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION will continue to serve and protect the people and expand through all parts of the world wherever there are oppressed people who need help to free themselves from the chains of slavery.

QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE  
QUE VIVA EL SUR DEL BRONX  
ESCALATE THE OFFENSIVE



LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS ha existido en el estado de Nueva York por casi un año. Nuestro primer labor este año fue establecer una base firme en el Barrio, donde queda la oficina principal. Si nos hubieramos extendidos muy ligero por la ciudad, nos enfrentabamos a la probabilidad de ataques por los puercos. Por eso, nos hemos concentrado en educar y organizar nuestra gente, siempre teniendo en cuenta que uno de nuestros objetivos es agrandecer nuestra organizacion. Ya establecido nuestra base en el Barrio, abrimos otro capitulo en el Bronx. La nueva oficina, situada en 949 Avenida Longwood (esquina de la calle Kelly), fue abierta al principio de Abril y continuara los programas comenzados en el Barrio. Ademas este capitulo empezara programas perteneciendo a los problemas especificos de la comunidad del Bronx. Tambien funcionara como servicio noticiero de la comunidad Latina con el nombre "Palante," que incluira noticias revolucionarias internacionales y sera distribuido a la gente de la comunidad. Esta ultima funcion de LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS surgio cuando nos dimos cuenta que en este pais no se sabe nada de las luchas de liberacion de otros pueblos debido a la censura en la prensa de noticia revolucionaria.

La oficina esta situada en el centro de una area parecida al Barrio. Nuestros hermanos y hermanas estan bien envueltos en lo que es ser Puertorriqueno y en un alto nivel de conocimiento politico. El numero de miembros nuevos esta creciendo rapidamente y muchos hermanos y hermanas nos ofrecen sus servicios y nos estan incorporando en sus vidas diarias.

Constantemente, desarrollamos nuevos metodos de servir nuestra gente y tenemos en cuenta donde esta nuestro pueblo. No importa donde vivamos, el sistema esta preparado para oprimirnos y explotarnos. Esta realidad se ha presentado en las pocas semanas que hemos estado en el Bronx en la forma de corrupcion. Los carros de policia rodean la comunidad para coleccionar dinero de los negocios. En cambio, los puercos le prometen a los negociantes protegerlos de los "pillos" y los "indeseables" de la sociedad. Pero sabemos que a los puercos no le importa un carajo por los pueblos Puertorriqueno o Negro, y que en sus ojos toda la gente del Tercer Mundo son "indeseables".

Los Puertorriquenos tienen que empezar a juntarse en una fuerza unida con las gente del Tercer Mundo y luchar contra el opresor con todo el poder. Ninguna persona del Tercer Mundo sera libre, hasta que se destruya esta bestia.

QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE!  
QUE VIVA EL SUR DEL BRONX!  
ESCALATE THE OFFENSIVE!

Lulu Carreras  
Lieutenant of Finance  
YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION



## YLO Free Breakfast Program

When we were young, we'd often go to school hungry and sit in class, waiting for lunchtime to come. The pangs of hunger would be so great that we'd not be able to place our minds on our studies. Eventually what would happen was that the teacher would end up calling us stupid, ignorant, or people unwilling to learn. Today, the YLO is attempting to deal with the problems of the community, and most important among these problems, is the hunger undergone by many of our people, among them most especially, the young children. The YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION Free Breakfast Program is providing the primary necessity of life to dozens of our children—food. It's function is so essential that Felipe Luciano, our state chairman, has stated that, "Any LORD who refuses for some insufficient reason to relate to the breakfast program, is unworthy of being considered a LORD."

The menu that the organization has been following is:

- Monday—eggs, bacon or sausage, milk, chocolate and toast.
- Tuesday—boiled eggs, toast, juices and bacon.
- Wednesday—fried eggs, french fries, juices and sausage.
- Thursday—french toast, bacon, scrambled eggs and juice.
- Friday—home or french fried potatoes, bacon or sausage and orange juice (not orange drink).

We especially serve orange juice so that the children will get the Vitamin C they do not get in their daily, non-nutritious diet.

We try to be as flexible as possible with the children and with the enforcement of this diet. We love our people and wish the best for them. We educate their minds but also deal with building up their bodies, and come what may in our struggles against this system, we will not let our children starve.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!  
YO TE AMO CON TODO MI CORAZON!  
I LOVE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART!

Che "Jaja"  
Breakfast Program Coordinator  
YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION  
New York State

# THE VOTE OR

# THE GUN?

## Juan Gonzalez MINISTER of EDUCATION EAST COAST REGION

The Young Lords Organization is a revolutionary political party fighting for the liberation of Puerto Ricans and all oppressed people. We are the answer to the 400 year need of Latinos for a political party to lead our struggle for liberation.

From the first invasion of Borinquen by Christopher Columbus in November, 1493, our people have been resisting the foot on their back. The Tainos fought the Spanish adventurers and money-hungry pirates. The people of the Yoruba Nation, kidnapped from their African homeland, resisted the Spanish slave traders, and constantly rebelled for their freedom.

In 1868, the Puerto Rican people rose up for the first time as a nation. In El Grito de Lares, we were saying-- we are not Spaniards. We are the mixture of African and Indian, born in Borinquen, speaking Spanish. We are Puerto Ricans, an island nation, oppressed by the Spanish empire.

Led by Ramon Emeterio Betances, Segundo Ruiz Belvis, and Manuel Rojas, first patriots, we took up arms for

armed struggle would free our nation.

Don Pedro Albizu Campos, leader of the Party said, "The electoral fight is a regular farce to keep the Puerto Rican family divided." The Nationalist Party, like the secret parties of 1868, said "Basta Ya" to the vendepatrias (traitors) of our history. It said there are two alternatives--slavery or freedom/ colony or independent nation/ oppressed or liberated.

From 1932 to 1954 the second War of Independence was waged. The Ponce Massacre, the battles of the battles of 1948, the Revolution of 1950, the attack on Truman and Congress were all battles of that war.

### Patriots Defeated

Again the patriots were defeated. Don Pedro was jailed for life, the Nationalist Party destroyed. There were three main reasons for the defeat:

the repression of the Gringo government which jailed or killed hundreds of Nationalist Party members, like Nixon-Mitchell are doing to the freedom fighters of the Black Panther Party.

political party for Puerto Ricans in amerikk and on the island, for all Latinos oppressed directly by the U.S. We are not the Democratic Party, Republican Party, or Popular Party or any other electoral party.

Ours is a party of the people.

Our motto is serve and protect.

We serve the needs of our people and educate them that only through revolution will all our needs be met. Only through organized change will we end addiction, eliminate landlords, build new cooperative housing, provide jobs for all, assure decent health for everyone, end all wars, and achieve independence for Puerto Rico.

Our party defends our people from greedy businessmen, racist teaching systems, rats and roaches, disease, police brutality, robbery and murder.

No matter how many promises they make or what they do, the other political parties will never give you freedom. Freedom is taken, not given.

That is why we organize. Wherever there are Puerto Ricans, there will be YOUNG LORDS. Wherever there is oppression



Boricuas? quien destruyo al Jibaro con la operacion fomento, mudando un sin numero de su tierra para los arrabales de San Juan y Nueva York y dejo ir todo nuestro dinero a los capitalistas norteamerikkanos. Era el apostol del pacifismo para ganancia al fin.

El Partido Nacionalista tambien fue destruido por sus propios problemas internos, por su enfasis en tirotoez inmediatos con la policia en vez de organizar una guerrilla para dirigir la nacion en una guerra popular en el campo; por su falta de organizar el Puertorriqueno Negro tanto como los Boricuas de piel clara, y por su fracaso en proveer programas concretos para llenar las necesidades inmediatas del pueblo.

para la independencia. La revolucion fue derrotada. Pero por primera vez alguien trato de hacer una organizacion politica para dirigir el pueblo. En cada ciudad juntas revolucionarias habian sido formadas. Usaron nombres de sociedades secretas para enganar la policia espanola como La Torre del Viejo, Centro Bravo y Capo Prieto.

Tenian un liderato bueno. Recogieron dinero, consiguieron armas, y educaron a la gente politicamente. Entendieron que el enemigo esta bien organizado y preparado para meter mano. Y si la gente quiere ganar su libertad tambien tienen que estar bien organizadas y preparadas para meter mano.

La revolucion fue derrotada, porque no estaba suficientemente organizada. Los patriotas no tenian entrenamiento militar. Una provision de armas de la Republica Dominicana nunca le llego. No trataron de ir al campo donde la gente mas pobre, la mayoria, de los Puertorriquetos - los jibaros.

Revolucion es trabajo de los mas serios. No es para basilar ni para echarse las. Cuando la gente se junta en guerra revolucionaria, lo hacen porque han sido convencida tanto por la condicion actual y la educacion politica que

independence. The revolution was defeated. But for the first time someone had tried to build a political organization to lead the people. In every city revolutionary juntas had been formed. They used names of secret societies to fool the Spanish police; names like La Torre del Viejo, Centro Bravo, Capa Prieto.

They had good Leadership. They raised money, got arms, politicized the people. They understood that the enemy is well organized and that if the people wish to win their freedom, they too must be well organized and prepared to deal.

The revolution was defeated, though, because it was not organized enough. The patriots did not have military training. An arms supply from The Dominican Republic never reached them. They did not go into the countryside where the poorest and greatest number of Puerto Ricans-- the jibaros, the campesinos, were.

## Electoral System

After the revolution, our only political parties all tried to work within

the Spanish and then American political structure. The Puerto Rican Republican party of Barbosa, the Federal Party of Munoz Rivera, the Independence Party of Matienzo Cintron, all worked within the structure set up for Borinquen by the amerikkkan occupiers. Some of the parties wanted independence, but all of them accepted the amerikkkan invasion, and hoped to convince amerikkka to someday free our people.

While they talked, the U.S. destroyed our economy, impoverished our people, imposed citizenship, destroyed our farmland, set up amerikkkan governors to rule us, and put military bases on the island to guard their businesses against all Latinos.

In 1932, the Nationalist Party, after ten years of trying to win independence through electoral means, decided that only through war against the U.S. would Borinquen be free. The newspapers, radio, the assembly, the businesses and latifundias all were controlled by the U.S. There could not be free elections. Only

there will be a new people fighting for their dignity.

We are in the period where revolutionary education is more important than revolutionary war. We are in a period of preparation.

We have lost twice before. We will not lose again. We cannot lose again. The Puerto Rican nation is being destroyed by the Yanqui and our vendepatrias.

Soon, that revolutionary war will start and the oppressed people of the United States, led by the Young Lords Organization, the Black Panther Party, the Comandos Armados para la Liberacion, will slay Goliath, burn Babylon, throw the moneylenders out of the temple, and then we, the last, shall be the First.

Power to all oppressed people

Liberate Puerto Rico Now!

The party guides the gun.

Juan Gonzales

Minister of Education  
East Coast Region

# EL VOTO O LAS ARMAS

LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS es un partido politico revolucionario luchando por la liberacion de Puertorriquenos y todo los pueblos oprimidos. Constatamos 400 años de necesidad por un partido politico revolucionario que dirija nuestra lucha para la liberacion.

Desde la primera invasion de Borinquen por cristobal colon en Noviembre del año 1493, nuestra gente ha estado resistiendo el pie en nuestra espalda. El Taino pelio en contra de españoles aventureros y piratas afrentados. La gente de la nacion Yoruba que fueron secuestrados de su patria Africana tambien resistieron a los españoles, los negociantes de esclavos, y constantemente se rebelaban por su libertad.

En el 1868, la gente Puertorriquena se levantaron por primera vez como una nacion. En el Grito de Lares, estabamos diciendo, no somos españoles. Somos una mezcla de Indios y Negros, que nacieron en Borinquen y hablamos español. Somos Puertorriquenos una nacion oprimida por el imperio español.

Dirigidos por Ramon Emeterio Betances, Segundo Ruiz Belvis, y Manuel Rojas nuestros primeros patriotas, levantaron nuestras arm-

estaban.

Despues de la revolucion nuestros partidos politicos trataron de trabajar dentro de la estructura politica española y despues norteamerikkana. El Partido Republicano Puertorriqueno de Barbosa, el partido federal de Munoz Rivera, el Partido de Independencia de Matienzo Cintron todos trabajaron dentro de la estructura desrollada para Borinquen por los norteamerikkanos ocupadores. Algunos de los partidos querian independencia, pero todos aceptaron la invasion amerikkkana y tenian la esperanza de algun dia convencer a amerikkka que libere nuestro puebl.

## ECONOMIA ROBADA

Mientras hablaban, los e.u. destrozaba nuestra economia, empobresia nuestra gente, nos impuso la ciudadania amerikkkana, nos destrozó nuestros campos, impuso gobernadores amerikkkanos para rigirnos y puso bases militares en la isla para guardar sus negocios contra todo los latinos.

En el 1932, el Partido Nacionalista despues de 10 años de tratar de ganar la Independencia a traves del proceso electoral, decidio que solo a traves de guerra contra los e.u. sera Borinquen libre. Los periodicos, la radio, la asamblea, los negocios, duenos de terrenos, todos eran controlados por los e.u. No podian haber elecciones libres. Solo una lucha armada libere nuestra nacion.

Don Pedro Albizu Campos, líder del Partido dijo "La pelea electoral es una farsa para dividir la familia." El Partido Nacionalista como los partidos secretos del 1868 le dijo, "Basta ya" a los vendepatrias de nuestra historia, y que solo hay dos alternativas--esclavitud o libertad/colonia o nacion independiente/oprimido o liberado.

Desde 1932 hasta el 1954 la segunda guerra de independencia fue lanzada. La Masacre de Ponce, las batallas de 1948, la revolucion del 1950, el ataque a Truman y el congreso, todas fueron batallas de esa guerra.

Otra vez los patriotas fueron derrotados. Don Pedro fue encarcelado, esta vez para el resto de su vida. El Partido Nacionalista fue destruido. Hubieron razones, por la derota: la repression del gobierno gringo que encarcelo y mato un sin numero de miembros del Partido Nacionalista como Nixon-mitchell estan haciendo a los peleadores de libertad del Partido de las Panteras Negras; el trato del vendepatria munoz marín, que organizo el partido popular, y Puertorriquenos diciendo "Pan, tierra, y libertad." Su trato con el gringo fue: seria el primer gobernador Puertorriqueno si aceptara su papel de alcahuete y no empuraria la independencia de Puerto Rico. El traidor mas grande en la historia de Puerto Rico es el alcahuete, Luis Munoz vendepatria marín, quien embarco a cientos de miles de Puertorriquenos a Nueva York porque no podia proveer empleo para ellos, quien enseno a nuestra gente ser amerikkkanos blancos de clase media, cuando en actualidad eran pobres y oprimidos

no hay otra salida, que sus vidas y las de sus familias estan amenazadas.

La Revolucion es un cambio completo, revolviendo la tierra, una vida nueva con un gobierno nuevo, nuevas leyes.

La Revolucion no es algo que queremos? es sangrienta y cruel pero es algo que tenemos que hacer para vivir decente y libre.

LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS es un partido politico revolucionario. Somos el partido politico para Puertorriquenos en amerikkka y en la isla y para todos los Latinos oprimidos directamente en los estados unidos. No somos como el Partido Democratico, el Partido Republicano, o el Partido Popular, o ningun otro partido electoral. Estos no son partidos de nuestra gente. Ellos trabajan para el gringo. Sus politiqueros son mentirosos, traidores, y hambrientos por dinero y poder.

Nuestro partido es de la gente. Nuestra meta es proteger y servir. Nosotros servimos las necesidades de nuestra gente y le educamos a que solo por la revolucion todas nuestras necesidades seran llenadas. Solo por cambio organizado terminaremos con la adiccion, eliminaremos terratenientes de casas, construiremos viviendas cooperativas nuevas. Crearemos trabajos para todos, aseguraremos servicios de salud decente para todos, terminaremos todas las guerras y lograremos la independencia para Puerto Rico.

Nuestro partido defiende nuestra gente contra negociantes afrentados, sistemas educatvas racistas, ratones y cucarachas, enfermedades, brutalidad de la policia, robo y asesinatos.

No importa cuantas promesas hagan los otros partidos politicos. nunca le daran su libertad. La libertad es arrancada no dada.

## VENCEREMOS

Por eso es que nosotros organizamos. Donde quiera qu haigan Puertorriquenos, habran YOUNG LORDS. Donde quiera que haiga opresion, habran peleadores en contra. Donde quiera que haiga explotacion y pillos, habran gente armada listas a morir por sus familias, sus ninos, su patria, su pueblo, su dignidad.

Hemos perdido dos veces. No perdiremos otra vez. No podemos perder otra vez. La nacion Puertorriquena esta siendo destruida por los yanquis y nuestras vendepatrias.

Pronto, esa guerra revolucionaria empezara y la gente oprimida de los estados unidos, dirigidos por la ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS, el Partido de la Pantera Negra, los Comandos Armados para la Liberacion, mataran a Goliath, quemaran a Babylonia, mataran a los que prestan dinero dentro del templo y entonces nosotros ultimos seremos los primeros.

Brazil is the richest nation in the world in natural resources. She has vast stretches of fertile land and forests that are still untouched. She holds within her enormous body an estimated 23% of the world's iron. She has 90 million people and is the fifth largest country in the world. Brazil has the world's largest coffee and sugar resources. Why the need for revolution?

Brazil is also one of the most nazi-like, murderous, poverty-stricken nations in latino amerikkka. (The reason oppressed people in the u.s. never hear about the murder and torture of students, workers, and peasants in Brazil is because the u.s. is the main cause of it.)

Instead of developing her own resources like coffee and sugar and iron, the native rich geared the economy toward producing consumer goods. Knowing that there was a lot of money to be gained in heavy industry like coal, iron and steel, the Brazilian capitalists forced the government, which they controlled, to borrow money from amerikkka and other foreign countries because they couldn't afford it. In doing so, these few (vendepatrias) sold their whole nation to the yanquis for a few dollars so that they could live in luxury. Today, 33% of the exports go to the u.s. and over 1/3 of the imports are from amerikkka.

The tourist ads never mention that the average income of Brazilians is under \$300. "Average income" means they added up the incomes of the few rich and middle class with the majority of poor people. If you only average the income of the poor peasants and factory workers it comes to \$100 every year. In addition, inflation is so heavy in Brazil that the dollar is almost worthless.

As a result of rapid industrialization, many poor Brazilians left the interior to migrate to the main cities, Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, and Belo Horizonte. They left for two reasons: 1) The amerikkkan companies had stolen their land and then made them work on it as laborers at slave wages and 2) they felt that they could get better jobs, houses, and education in the cities.

What has resulted instead have been "favelas," Brazilian slums. Overcrowded, disease-ridden, and paid almost nothing for the work they do, the favela dwellers have begun to revolt. It is either revolution or certain death when 1/2 of the Brazilian population live in shacks made of cardboard, newspapers or corrugated metal.

The answer is revolution when 1/2 of the population can't read or write.

It must be violent revolution when 1/2 of all Brazilian babies die before their first birthday, and there is only one doctor for every 20,000 Brazilians.

## repression

But when you speak of revolution in Brazil, you must also speak of repression by the military. The impact of the nazis and facism since the 1930's has been felt heavily by latino amerikkka, particularly Brazil because it has been since that time that the right-wing military has controlled Brazil whether they've been in power or not. Since 1945, every president has had to be approved and backed up by the generals to stay in office. The last president — murderer-dictator, costa e silva, continued the rule of Brazil by the military; (1/2 of his cabinet were from the armed forces) until his fortunate death in a helicopter crash. Today, Brazil is controlled by a 3-man military dictatorship. Censorship of the press, t.v. and mass media is the rule, not the exception. Recently, when students demonstrated against yanqui imperialism and for reforms on the campus, they were murdered; those who were captured alive were jailed and then tortured mercilessly. On April 10, the Brazilian Information Front released ten names of the brothers and sisters who had been politically assassinated by the generals in cold blood. Among those names was the name of Carlos Marighella, leader of National Liberation Action. Born December 5, 1911, the son of an Italian immigrant and a Black mother, Marighella at the age of 23 joined the Brazilian Communist Party when fascist ideology entered Brazil and other countries of latino amerikkka as a result of hitler's rise to power. He was jailed, one time shot, beaten and tortured many times after that because of his leadership in opposition to the dictatorial government. Yet, he never revealed anything, never lost his desire to wrench Brazil from the hands of the yanquis and the latifundistas (big landowners).

# THE PEOPLE'S WAR IN BRAZIL



**FELIPE - chairman Y.L.O.**

However, as is common with many communist parties in capitalist countries, especially the u.s., the Brazilian Communist Party was more given to speeches, writing, power plays within the party and pacifism within the country than to revolution.

In his resignation letter to the party on December 10, 1966, Marighella stated that "Executive work has been limited to holding meetings, writing up political notes, and political reports. Thus there is no planned action, no activity centered around the struggle."

He further went on to declare that although the peasantry is the true balance of forces in the Brazilian revolution...the Executive Committee subordinates proletarian tactics to bourgeois tactics...

Also "after so much rhetoric about how the violence of the ruling classes must be met with the violence of arms, nothing has been done to make words match deeds. Commitment is forgotten and pacifism continues to be praised." Marighella then declared, "...I want to state publicly my commitment to revolutionary struggle, side by side with the masses...in Brazil the solution...can only be armed struggle, the revolutionary road, the preparation for armed insurrection by the people, with all the consequences and all the implications that follow from it."

## cuba's influence

Deeply influenced by the Cuban Revolution and Che's credo that "the job of every revolutionary is to make the revolution," Marighella in 1968 began to analyse the oppression of his people and to form a nucleus of revolutionaries to either win or die. With hardly any resources, this small band of warriors began revolutionary action. With small armed groups they ripped off everything they needed.

"We grew as a result of action, only and exclusively, as a result of revolutionary action."

It took Carlos Marighella years of witnessing and experiencing facism and military dictatorship to come to the conclusion that the only way to deal with reactionary violence was with revolutionary firepower.

The Brazilian government thought they were bandits; by the time they realized that these rip offs were political, it was too late. Urban guerrilla warfare had already started.

From 1968 onward, National Liberation Action began the boldest, most vicious attacks against the dictators. Banks were primary targets because they were so easy to hit, but the N.L.A. also hit armored cars, army trucks for pieces, bombed vital military-industrial complexes, assassinated by machine-gun fire enemies of the people like the c.i.a. spy charles chander who had been sent from VietNam to infiltrate the Brazilian student movement, assassinated agents of the government like police chiefs, right-wing army officers, and large landowners besides ripping off their money.

According to Marighella there were two battles, urban guerrilla warfare and psychological warfare with the intent of putting a stranglehold on the triangle of cities, Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, and Belo Horizonte since they were the centers of all activity in Brazil. The tactics were to first initiate urban guerrilla warfare, secondly, rural guerrilla warfare, and finally to enter into conventional warfare with a national liberation army.

The objective of N.L.A. is "to liberate Brazil and to force yanqui imperialism out."

Because of "regionalism," a feeling of loyalty toward one's region rather than nation, the National Liberation Action did not start as a unified national front. Also, in Brazil, there are 20 to 30 organizations claiming to be the "vanguard" and "revolutionary," but Marighella made it clear in Brazil that only action makes the vanguard. While he saw the need for a united national front, he said, "the most important problem for all of us is that everyone do his duty..." Even so, in October of 1969, Charles Elbrick, u.s. ambassador was kidnapped in exchange for the release of 15 political prisoners from different political perspectives. Carlos Marighella did not believe in too much rapping about unity. The actions of his group proved their desire for unity.

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# BLACK POWER IN TRINIDAD

states that "We want liberation for all Third World people" and this is why we say "right on" to our Caribbean brothers and sisters. Point 7 says that "We oppose alliances with capitalists and traitors", and Eric Williams is running a capitalist government in Trinidad. He is a traitor to his people because he is more interested in making money and being a flunkey for the capitalists than in helping the people of Trinidad throw off the imperialist chains and liberating themselves.

Cuando el pueblo se levanto a demostrar en contra de su opresión, el gobierno paso leyes que le quitaba todos sus derechos personales y políticos, cuales son garantizados bajo la constitución Trinidadense. Un estado de emergencia fue declarado por el gobierno y 36 líderes de la rebelion fueron arrestados, negandosele el permiso de ver sus familias o abogados. Uno de los hermanos que esta encarcelado y enfermo ha sido negado ver un doctor. Una limitación de trafico callejero de atardecer a amanecer fue impuesta y los sonidos de la jara troteando la gente se oyen de noche.

Once again the amerikkkan government has sent troops to push Caribbean people around. The island of Trinidad in the West Indies is run by a government that allows the United States and Great Britain to control the Trinidadian economy. Prime Minister Eric Williams is black, just like Ferre and Marin are Puerto Rican, but he does not support the move of the people towards self-determination or Black Power.

The Black, East Indian and mulatto people of Trinidad who are in the majority rioted against the government for many reasons. The situation there is the same or similar to that of the other islands in the Caribbean. One third of the people in Trinidad are unemployed and most of the people are illiterate. There are almost no health or sanitation services for the people. All the money that is made on the island that could be used to help the people, goes out from the island to great Britain and amerikkka.

When the people rose up to demonstrate against their oppression, the government and 36 leaders of the rebellion were arrested and then denied permission to see their families and lawyers. One of the brothers who is ill in jail has not been allowed to see a doctor. A dusk to dawn curfew was imposed and every night the sounds of pigs shooting at the people were heard.

The Black Power movement in Trinidad is the same struggle that is being fought all over the world and here in amerikkka. In Washington, D.C. and New York last week, Trinidadian students demonstrated against the U.S. sending troops to their island, to help out the government of Prime Minister Williams. Just as in 1965 ships were sent from Puerto Rico to control the people of the Dominican Republic, this time the ships were sent to Trinidad. Puerto Rico is being used as a base of operations in the Caribbean to put down any protests against the amerikkkan government.

Point 3 of the YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION program and platform

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE  
LIBERATE TRINIDAD NOW

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## Revolucion En Trinidad

La gente Negra y mulata, de las Indias del este, que son la mayoría, motivaron contra el gobierno por muchas razones. Las situaciones ahí son las mismas o similares a las que existen en las otras islas del Caribe. Una tercera parte de la gente en Trinidad esta desempleada y la mayoría es analfabeta. Casi no hay servicios medicos o sanitarios para la gente. Todo el dinero que se produce en la isla, que pudiera ser usado para ayudar al pueblo, en vez es enviado a Inglaterra y amerikkka.

Otra vez el gobierno amerikkano ha mandado tropas para abusar con las gentes del Caribe. La isla de Trinidad es manejada por un gobierno que deja que los estados Unidos y Inglaterra controlen la economía. El primer ministro, Eric Williams es Negro, igual que Ferre y Marin son Puertorriqueños, pero no respalda el esfuerzo del pueblo hacia auto-determinación o poder Negro.

Esta es la misma lucha que se esta llevando a cabo por todo el mundo y a ui en amerikkka. En Washington, D.C. y en Nueva York la semana pasada, estudiantes Trinidadenses demostraron en contra de las tropas mandadas a su isla por los Estados Unidos a ayudar al gobierno del primer ministro Williams. Igual que en el 1965, barcos de guerra fueron enviados de Puerto Rico a controlar la gente de la Republica Dominicana, esta vez los barcos fueron mandados a Trinidad. Puerto Rico se esta usando como una base de operaciones en el Caribe para aplastar cualquier protesta en contra del gobierno amerikkano.

Punto #3 del programa de la ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS declara, "queremos liberación para todos los pueblos del tercer mundo," y por eso le decimos "VAYA" a nuestros hermanos y hermanas Caribbeños. El punto #7 dice "NOS OPONEMOS A ALIANZAS CON CAPITALISTAS Y TRAIADORES," y Eric Williams esta operando un gobierno capitalista en Trinidad. El es un traidor a su gente porque tiene mas interes en hacer dinero y ser un alcahuete para los capitalistas que en ayudar la gente de Trinidad eliminar el yugo de cadenas imperialistas y liberarse.

TODO PODER AL PUEBLO!  
LIBERTAD PARA TRINIDAD AHORA!

Denise Oliver  
Secretaria de Comunicaciones  
ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS



On Monday, March 4, of the present year, at about 2:45 P.M., a high potency bomb was placed on the inside of Sears Roebuck & Co. in Brooklyn by the ARMED REVOLUTIONARY INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT (MIRA) with the objective of systematically destroying the exploitative and oppressive agents of our nation, among them said company; at the same time we took the voice of armed struggle to our brothers and sisters in New York and solidified the revolutionary ties with our combatant brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico.

MIRA holds the New York City police responsible for those people injured in the explosion. The police were warned but took no precautions. OUR STRUGGLE IS AGAINST YANQUI IMPERIALISM. NOT AGAINST THOSE WHO SUFFER EXPLOITATION. Yet it is clear that nothing will detain our struggle, this is the struggle of the people and only the attainment of full liberty for our people will end the struggle. WE ARE AT WAR.

The armed struggle for liberation shall continue to grow through MIRA until the annihilation of those oppressive Yanqui forces that are opposed to all human progress as much in Puerto Rico as in the rest of the underdeveloped countries.

OUR STRUGGLE WILL BE LONG, BUT THE VICTORY SURE.

Sent To  
Young  
Lords  
by  
MIRA

Enviado  
Por  
MIRA

El lunes 4 de mayo del presente año alrededor de las 2:45 P.M. una bomba de alto alcance fue colocada en los interiores de SEARS ROEBUCK & CO. en Brooklyn por el MOVIMIENTO INDEPENDENTISTA REVOLUCIONARIO en ARMAS (MIRA) con el fin propuesto de destruir sistemáticamente a los agentes explotadores y opresores de nuestra patria, entre ellos dicha compañía? a la misma vez llevamos la voz de lucha armada a nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Nueva York y solidificamos los lazos revolucionarios con nuestros hermanos y hermanas combatientes en Puerto Rico.

El MIRA hace responsable a la policía de Nueva York por las personas que resultaron heridas en la explosión. La policía fue advertida y no tomo ninguna precaución. NUESTRA LUCHA ES CONTRA EL IMPERIALISMO YANQUI, NO CONTRA LOS QUE SUFREN LA EXPLOTACION. Sin embargo queda aclarado que nada detendrá nuestra lucha, esta es la lucha del pueblo y solo la consecución de la plena libertad a nuestro pueblo pondrá fin a la lucha. ESTAMOS EN LA LUCHA de liberación armada seguirá tomando auge con MIRA hasta aniquilar las fuerzas opresoras yanquis que se oponen a todo progreso humano tanto en Puerto Rico como en los demás países subdesarrollados.



## ASIANS WILL WIN

The month was April, the year, 1970. In Cambodia, villagers plowed their rice fields the way their ancestors have done for 5,000 years. Children played in their villages in the Kingdom of Cambodia. Suddenly gunfire, tanks, grenades, cannons, and fire surround the village, and the peaceful life of the Cambodian village (and hundreds like it all over the country) turned into a nightmare of death, pain, and suffering.

When the united states sent its armies (including the VietNameese mercenaries) into Cambodia, it brought to that country the same genocide that it has been bringing down on the VietNameese people for the past ten years. The excuse that the united states government gave for murdering the people of Cambodia was that the headquarters of the PRG (Provisional Revolutionary Government of South VietNam) was in Cambodia and that if the war against "communist invaders" is to be won, their headquarters must be smashed.

But Puertorricans, who have been the victims of amerikkan imperialism for the past 72 years, know better than that. The united states rulers (rockefeller, lindsay, i.b.m., a. t. & t., the bankers, etc.) have had their armies in VietNam and all of Asia not because of any "communist invasion" but because they want to steal the rubber, oil, minerals, wood, and other wealth of the people of Asia. They have been doing this for 150 years in Latin America (where they have left the countries so empty and poor that Venezuela, for example, the world's biggest oil-exporting country, will be dry of oil in 14 years because of amerikkan exploitation).

u.s. imperialist expansion in Asia began with Japan, then spread to Korea, the Phillipines, and is now trying to take over all of Southeast Asia. The countries there (VietNam, Cambodia, Laos, Thailand) contain some of the richest deposits of wealth in the whole world. The united states capitalists because they need to keep robbing from the world in order to keep making more profits, understand that Southeast Asia is one of the last places left for it to take over and exploit (Africa is next).

But the people of Southeast Asia, especially the VietNameese, are not standing by and allowing their land to be stolen and themselves to be killed. They are waging a people's war against the foreign amerikkan aggressor, to save their homeland. The united states cannot fool anybody by stating that they are fighting communist invaders; they are the invaders who are trying to take over other people's countries. If they are really fighting communism, why are they buying, selling, and trading with all of the so-called communist countries of eastern europe? It is

because the u.s. is a racist country that does not consider Third World, colored peoples as human beings. The united states dropped the atomic bomb on Japan, but not on Germany; it stole the land of the Indians in this country, and then wiped them out (genocide); it ripped off 60 million Africans from their homeland and subjected them to slavery in this country; it invaded Puerto Rico, and when we did not allow our land to be taken without a fight (Don Pedro Albizu Campos and the Nationalist Party's struggle), they killed us, arrested, us, uprooted us from our island, and threw us into concentration camps in the ghettos of their cities and on their farms; they rounded up 60,000 Asian people during the second world war and put them in prison camps because the u.s. was fighting Japan, but did not do it to Germans and Italians though they were fighting against them too.

The men and women who are the presidents of the big companies and corporations, and who run city hall, the army, and washington, are all vicious, racist murderers who will stop at nothing to make money, money, and more money, here and around the world.

So when the u.s. went into Cambodia, they were not surprised that they didn't find any "headquarters." They were never looking for any since they have stopped fighting people's armies. They tried that but were defeated when the Tet offensive of January, 1968, dealt the death blow to the amerikkan army in VietNam. They are in Cambodia to wipe out the Cambodian people and take their wealth before a people's army can develop. In VietNam, having already lost the war against the people's army, they have been trying to wipe out the VietNameese people. When one hundred giant B-52 bombers, each carrying fifty bombs (each bomb weighing 2,000) drop these bombs all over the villages and cities and farms and fields, they are no longer fighting a war against an army, but committing genocide of the most vicious and inhuman kind.

We Puertorriquenos must understand that they will do the same in Puerto Rico when the people's army begins to kick out the u.s.'s military and political forces. We are beginning the first step of this by getting back Culebra. We must understand that at the appropriate time, we will be dealt with in the manner that the VietNameese, the Indians, and the Cambodians were dealt with. Ponce, Cayey, Mayaguez, San Juan, Humacao, El Barrio, the South Bronx, South Boston, El Fanguito, Hartford, Conn.—all will be attacked by bombers, napalm, green berets, and biological and psychological warfare. We must prepare for this, for the process has already started.

But we must also remember that as Huey P. Newton, Minister of Defense of the Black Panther Party, has said, "The spirit of the people is greater than the man's technology." The YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION, in keeping with Point Number 5 of our Program (We want community control of our institutions and land) is waging a struggle to get Puerto Rican control of El Barrio, the South Bronx, and every other place that Borinqueños inhabit.

DESPIERTA BORICUA  
DEFIENDE LO TUYO

U.S. OUT OF CAMBODIA NOW

IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF  
U.S. TROOPS

FROM PUERTO RICO AND EL  
BARRIO

QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE!

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# MILITARY OCCUPATION OF CULEBRA

In 1898, the united states army and marines landed a force of 18,000 men in the southern town of Guanica and began the military occupation of our country that continues to this day. Since then, u.s. military forces have grown to include the u.s. army, the marines, the air force, the navy, the green berets, the c.i.a., the f.b.i., navy intelligence, the secret service, treasury agents, the coast guard, the national guard, and puppet police forces. This total military and para-military force numbers over 100,000 men and women, and is spread over a giant air force base that has nuclear bomb carrying B-52 bombers, navy bases that have nuclear missile carrying submarines, army bases, navy shelling positions, green beret training zones (Our sacred and beloved El Yunque national forest) and a counter guerrilla training base for spies to send to Latin America. This military occupation is so great today that 13% of all the land surface of Borinquen is occupied by military bases, posts, training areas, or firing zones.

## CULEBRA INVADED

This gigantic military concentration is not only used to continue and intensify the occupation and oppression of Puerto Ricans but also to invade and put down any of our Latin American brothers and sisters that decide that they no longer want to be dominated and oppressed by the united states.

But finally, our people have said "Basta Ya" and are demanding that the u.s. withdraw all its military troops and agents from our nation, especially Culebra.

Culebra is one of the four major islands that belong to the Puerto Rican Archipelago (group of islands). There are 14 other isllillas that are a part of Puerto Rico. In 1941, president roosevelt told the navy that it could have Culebra for target practice, and the puppet colonial government of munoz marin began moving people out; homes were destroyed, jobs taken away, and people were generally forced to leave the land of their families and ancestors. Our people had no choice and were not organized enough then to rebel and fight because of the blindness that munoz marin had them under (pan, tierra, y libertad). The result was that half the island was literally cleared with bulldozers, and people who lived there had to move to the slums of San Juan and New York.

## PEOPLE BOMBED

Life for the brothers and sisters who remained has been a combination of constant harrassment by the navy—who rules the island with dictator powers, trying to get the rest of them to leave—and the actual fact of being bombed day in and day out. Men, women and children have been killed or maimed by bombs that have fallen off target or intentionally shot at the town to scare people. Finally, the people of Culebra could take no more when the pitianqui, vendepatria, bootlicking—uncle tom—puppet—governor ferre decided two months ago to sell all the island completely to the navy. This would mean that everybody would have to leave with no homes to go to, no jobs, no transportation, nothing. Just get the fuck on out, and make room for some yanqui target practice, is what they were told.

Mayor Feliciano of Culebra organized our people and led a delegation to San Juan to protest and all they were told by ferre's mouthpieces (he didn't have the guts to talk to them) was that nothing could be done. They went to the press and the rest of the people of Borinquen and explained the constant harrassment, the keeping of fishermen from areas where Puerto Ricans have been fishing for 400 years, and the political and police persecution that they have received lately. Since the people have gotten organized and complained, all of the agents and police forces on the main island (Borinquen) have been investigating them, harrassing them, and labeling them independentistas, communists, castróites, agents of the international communist conspiracy, and anti-amerikkkan subversives.



But our people will not be intimidated into giving up our land for the days of being lied to and fooled are over. The 8,000 people of Culebra are organizing a massive campaign to get brothers and sisters from the main island to move to Culebra, and bring materials to build houses not only in the half that they have lived in, but in all of the 7,200 acres of the island. They want brothers and sisters to come and build their homes and reclaim the land that is ours and our children's.

Point #5 of the YLO Program states: "We want community control of our institutions and land." This applies to Puerto Rican communities in the united states and to all the parts of our home-land, including Culebra. Boricuas both here and in Puerto Rico must begin to repossess the land and wealth that has been taken from us through 72 years of yanqui military occupation. The YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION completely supports our brothers and sisters in Culebra, and we call upon Puerto Ricans everywhere to do everything possible to support our people's efforts to take back Culebra. People to populate the island, building materials, money for transportation, and anything else you can think of to aid in the struggle are needed. This must be the beginning of the complete repossession not only of Culebra, but also of the islands of Vieques and Mona, and the immediate withdrawal of all u.s. military forces and bases from Borinquen proper.

U.S. OUT OF CULEBRA!

IMMEDIATE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL U.S. TROOPS FROM PUERTO RICO!  
U.S. OUT OF EL BARRIO!  
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New York Chapter



PUERTORRIQUENA CONTRA INVASION

## EEUU OCUPA A CULEBRA

En el 1898 el ejercito de los estados unidos aterizo una fuerza de 18,000 hombres en el pueblo de Guanica y empezo la ocupacion militar de nuestro pais que continua hasta hoy. Desde esa fecha las fuerzas militares han crecido a incluir el ejercito, los marinos, la fuerza aerea, la marina, los "green berets," la c.i.a., el f.b.i., la inteligencia de la marina, el servicio secreto, agentes tesoreros, la guardia de costas, la guardia nacional y la policia colonial alcahuete. Esta fuerza total militar y para-militar constituye mas de 100,000 hombres y mujeres extendidos sobre una gigantesca base aerea que tiene aviones B-52 cargadores de bombas nucleares; bases marinas, zonas de entrenamiento de "green berets" (en nuestro sagrado y querido Yunque); y una base de entrenamiento anti-guerrilla para espías designados para Latino America. Esta ocupacion militar es tan grande que hoy el 13% de toda la tierra de Borinquen esta ocupada por bases militares, puestos de entrenamiento y zonas de fuego.

Esta gigantesca concentracion militar es usada no sola para continuar e intensificar la ocupacion y opresion de Puertorriquenos pero tambien para invadir y aplastar cualquiera de nuestros hermanos y hermanas Latino Americanos que dicidan ya no ser dominados y oprimidos por los estado unidos.

Pero, por fin, nuestra gente ha dicho "BASTA YA" y estan demandando que los estados unidos retiren todas sus tropas militares y agentes de nuestra nacion, en particular de Culebra. **CON'T. 16**



women's oppression:

## CORTEJAS

It is a well known fact that in our Puerto Rican culture married men are encouraged to have a woman on the side, or what we call "una corteja." It is a fact of our society that we try to hide, yet it is there and is clearly oppressive to our women. The wife is there to be a homemaker, to have children and to maintain the family name and honor. Therefore she must be "pure" to begin with—virgin—and remain "pure" for the rest of her life, meaning no sexual pleasure. The wife must have children in order to enhance the man's concept of virility and his position within the Puerto Rican society. La corteja becomes his sexual instrument. The man may set her up in another household, paying her rent, buying her food, and paying her bills. The man may have children with this woman, but they are looked upon as by-products of a sexual relationship. Both women must be loyal to the man. Both women are exploited, neither being allowed to develop as total human beings and being forced into dependency on a man for status. Also both sets of children grow up very confused and insecure and develop negative attitudes about the role and function of women as well as a messed up concept of what manhood is.

We know that under capitalism, manhood is defined according to the amount of money a male has. Puerto Ricans, since they are exploited by capitalists, have no money, and as a result no status or prestige, and as a result no status or prestige. As Eldridge Cleaver puts it, our men are "debailed." Since they can't prove manhood economically, they try to do it sexually at the expense of their women.

We say that for our men to have a corteja is oppressive to women. The 10th point of the YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION Platform states: "WE WANT EQUALITY FOR WOMEN. Machismo must be revolutionary and not oppressive." The exploitation of Puerto Rican women on the part of Puerto Rican men must stop; Puerto Rican men must realize that machismo is an extension of capitalism and must be gotten rid of. Puerto Rican women must realize that the main oppressor is u.s. capitalism. As Puerto Rican people, we must not allow this racist decadent system to rule our lives because it destroys us. Therefore, we must destroy it first. We have to control our own destinies and determine our lives in order to be free to create a new and equitable system for women and men. Our people must pick up the gun and say to the pig, Basta ya!

FORWARD SISTERS IN THE STRUGGLE!  
MACHISMO IS FASCISM!  
SELF-DETERMINATION FOR ALL PUERTO RICANS!

Connie Morales  
Education Ministry  
YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION  
Bronx Branch

## CULEBRA...

Culebra es una de las islas mayores del archipelago (grupo de islas) Puertorriqueno. Hay 14 otras islas que son partes de Puerto Rico. En el 1941, el presidente roosevelt le dijo a su marina que podia usar a Culebra para practicar tiros a blanco, y el gobierno colonial alcahuete de munoz marin empezo a mudar la gente; casas fueron destruidas, trabajos quitados, y la gente generalmente forzada a dejar la tierra de sus familias y antepasados. Nuestra gente no tuvo alternativa ninguna y no estaba suficientemente organizada en ese entonces para rebelarse y pelear a causa del sueño en que los tenia munoz marin (pan, tierra, y libertad). El resultado fue que la mitad de la isla fue destruida con "bulldozers" y la gente que alli vivian tuvieron que mudarse a los arrabales de San Juan y Nueva York.

La vida de los hermanos y hermanas que han quedado ha sido una combinacion de constante jodiendas por parte de la marina — que domina la isla con poderes de dictador, tratando de sacar el resto de gente — y el hecho actual de ser bombardeados dia tras dia. Hombres, niños, y mujeres han sido matados o heridos por bombas que han caido fuera de su sitio o han sido intencionalmente tiradas al pueblo para meterle miedo a la gente. Por fin, la gente de Culebra no pudieron aguantar mas cuando el pitiyanqui, vendepatria, lambe-ojo, alcahuete gobernador colonial ferre decidio hace dos meses venderle la isla completa a la marina norteamerikkana. Esto quiere decir que todos tendran que irse sin hogares, trabajo o transportacion, nada. Vayanse pal carajo, y hagan espacio para la practica a tiros

blancos de los yanquis, fue lo que le dijeron.

El Alcalde Feliciano, de Culebra, organizo al pueblo, y fue con una delegacion a San Juan a protestar. Lo que le dijo el buchipluma de ferre (quien no tuvo los cojones de hablarle) fue que no se podia hacer nada. Fueron entonces a la prensa y al pueblo de Borinquen para explicarle las molestias constante, el no dejar pescar en sitios donde Puertorriquenos han pescado por cuatro cientos años, y la persecucion politica y policiaca que han recibido ultimamente. Desde que la gente se ha organizado y quejado, todos los agentes y policias de Borinquen le han investigado y jodido y llamado independentistas, comunistas, castruistas, agentes de la conspiracion internacional comunista y subversivos anti-amerikkanos.

Pero nuestra gente no seran intimidados a dejar ir nuestra isla porque los dias de ser engañados se han acabado. Las 8,000 personas que viven en Culebra estan organizando una campana masiva para lograr que hermanos y hermanas de la isla mayor se muden a Culebra y traigan materiales para construir casas no solo en la mitad de la isla donde han vivido, pero en todas la 7,000 cuerdas de la isla. Quieren que companeros y companeras vengán, construyan casas y reclamen la tierra que es nuestra y de nuestros niños.

El punto 5 del programa de la OYL dice "Queremos control comunal de todas nuestras instituciones y tierra." Esto se aplica a comunidades Puertorriquenas tanto aqui como en nuestra patria, inclusive Culebra. Boricuas aqui y en Puerto Rico tienen que empezar a reposar la tierra y riqueza que nos han quitado bajo 72 años de ocupacion militar yanqui. La ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS apoya completamente a nuestros hermanos y hermanas en Culebra y le pedimos a Puertorriquenos en todas partes que hagan todo lo posible para soportar los esfuerzos de nuestra gente a recobrar Culebra. Se necesitan gente para poblar la isla, materiales para construir, dinero para transportacion y cualquier otra cosa que ustedes piensen que se necesite para la lucha. Esto tiene que ser el principio de la completa reposicion no solo de Culebra, pero de las islas de Vieques y Mona, y del retiro inmediato de todas las fuerzas militares y bases norteamerikkanas de Borinquen propia.

E.U. FUERA DE CULEBRA!  
RETIRO INMEDIATO DE TODAS  
TROPAS ESTADOUNIDENSE DE  
PUERTO RICO!  
E.U. FUERA DEL BARRIO!  
PODER A BORICUAS EN TODAS  
PARTES!



## BRAZIL...

Carlos Marighella, the man who built the organization that turned the course of Brazilian history was gunned down in Sao Paulo by army and police bullets on November 4, 1969, a month after the kidnapping. It was said that he took care of everyone else's personal safety much better than he took care of his own. He was 58

years of age, a revolutionary till death. When asked by a French journalist whether he would carry out his revolutionary work to the end, he answered, "The revolution does not depend on individuals, but is a matter of the people and their vanguard. My role was to give the initial spark. Our organization, for the most part, is made up of young people under 25 years old. It is up to the best of them to provide the leadership. One of them will take up my banner, or if you prefer, my gun."

To his Brazilian companeros, Carlos Marighella left a burning example of what must be done in the face of murderous oppression.

To his Third World companeros, he left his thoughts on war, the Mini-Manual of the Urban Guerrilla, and other writings and a taste for the blood of the yanqui monster in their respective countries.

As for us here in norteamerikkka, particularly Puerto Ricans, educate quietly and gun the motherfucker down.

FREE PUERTO RICO—RIGHT NOW!

LONG LIVE THE PEOPLE'S WAR IN BRAZIL

Felipe Luciano  
Chairman  
YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION  
New York State

East Coast Region

## HIGH SCHOOLS...

de nuestra cultura criolla y el lenguaje hispano.

Los estudiantes de Morris le presentaron una lista de demandas a la principal, una pitiyanqui que pone su profesion primero que la educacion de nuestro pueblo. El pueblo esta demandando el derecho de sacar un periodico escrito y controlado por los estudiantes (Morris no tiene un periodico con cual los estudiantes pueden comunicar unos a los otros), de sacar hojas sueltas en las maquinas de su escuela, de usar el papel de su escuela, de enganchar cartelones en su escuela, y de distribuir hojas sueltas y informacion a dentro de su escuela. La administracion no quiere que los estudiantes comuniquen o que se unan porque estudiantes unidos no le pondrian atencion a gente que no quiere ni respeta a Puertorriquenos o Negros y que traen ensenanzas racistas y inaplicable a nuestros intereses.

A pesar que el gobierno estudiantil eligido aprobo las demandas, la principal dijo que ella no iba a soltar su derecho de controlar la escuela. Los estudiantes se fueron a las calles, y declararon huelga. Nosotros sabemos y los estudiantes saben que Morris no le pertenece a la principal ni a sus alcaguetes. Su funcion es asegurar que nuestro pueblo este bien preparado para el futuro, un futuro en una sociedad racista que trata Puertorriquenos y Negros como ciudadanos de segunda clase. Si las escuelas no funcionan para nuestro pueblo, dandonos la habilidad y el saber que necesitamos para luchar contra este sistema opresivo, entonces no deben existir.

LAS ESCUELAS PERTENECEN AL PUEBLO!  
TODO PODER A LOS ESTUDIANTES!

Richie Perez  
Teniente del Campo  
ORGANIZACION



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Every member of the YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION must follow these rules. CENTRAL COMMITTEE members, CENTRAL and BRANCH STAFFS, including all captains, will enforce these rules.

Every member of the party must memorize these rules, and apply them daily. Any member found violating these rules is subject to suspension by the ORGANIZATION.

#### THE RULES ARE:

1. You are a YOUNG LORD 25 hours a day.
2. Any ORGANIZATION member busted on a jive tip which that member brought down on himself or others, can swim alone.
3. Any member found shooting drugs will be expelled.
4. No member may have any illegal drug in his or her possession or in their system while on duty. No one may get drunk on duty.
5. No member will violate rules relating to office work or general meetings of the ORGANIZATION ANYWHERE.
6. No one will point or fire a weapon of any kind unnecessarily or accidentally at anyone.
7. No member can join any army force other than the People's Army of Liberation.
8. No ORGANIZATION member will commit crimes against the people.
9. When arrested, YOUNG LORDS will give only name, address, and will sign nothing. Legal first aid must be understood by all members.
10. No member may speak in public unless authorized by the Central Committee or Central Staff.
11. The 13 Point Program must be memorized and the Platform must be understood by each member.

12. ORGANIZATION communications must be national and local.

13. No member may speak about another member unless he or she is present.

14. All ORGANIZATION business is to be kept within the ORGANIZATION.

15. All contradictions between members must be resolved at once.

16. Once a week all Chapters and Branches will conduct a criticism and self-criticism session.

17. All members will relate to Chain of Command. Officers will discipline officers, cadre, and so on. The O.D. is the final authority in the office.

18. Each person will submit a daily report of work to the O.D.

19. Each YOUNG LORD must learn to operate and service weapons correctly.

20. All Leadership personnel who expel a member, must submit this information, with photo, to the Editor of the newspaper, so that it will be published in the paper, and known by all Chapters and Branches.

21. Political Education classes are mandatory for general membership.

22. All members must read at least one political book a month, and at least two hours a day on contemporary matters.

23. Only assigned ORGANIZATION personnel should be in office each day. All others are to sell papers and do political work out in the community, including captains, section leaders, etc..

24. All Chapters must submit weekly report in writing to National Headquarters.

25. All Branches must implement First Aid/Medical Cadres.

26. All Chapters and Branches must submit a weekly financial report to the Ministry of Finance.

27. No Chapter or Branch shall accept grants, poverty funds, money, or any aid from any government agency.

28. All Traitors, Provocateurs, and Agents will be subject to Revolutionary Justice.

29. At all times we keep a united front before all forms of the man. This is true not only among LORDS, but all Revolutionary Companeros.

30. All Chapters must adhere to the policy and ideology put forth by the Central Committee of the Y.L.O. Likewise, all members will know all information published by the ORGANIZATION.

# PROGRAMA DE 13 PUNTOS Y PLATAFORMA ORGANISACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS

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LA ORGANIZACION DE LOS YOUNG LORDS ES UN PARTIDO  
POLITICO REVOLUCIONARIO LUCHANDO POR LA LIBERACION  
DE TODOS LOS PUEBLOS OPRIMIDOS.

## 1. QUEREMOS AUTODETERMINACION PARA TODOS LOS PUERTORRIQUENOS—LIBERACION PARA LA ISLA Y DENTRO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS.

Por 500 años, nuestra isla ha estado colonizada, primero por España y entonces por los Estados Unidos. Billones de dolares en provecho sale de nuestra isla para los Estados Unidos cada año, y en cada nivel somos esclavos de los Yanquis. Nosotros queremos liberacion y el poder en las manos de la gente, y no en las de los explotadores puertorriqueños.  
**QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE!**

## 2. QUEREMOS AUTODETERMINACION PARA TODOS LOS LATINOS.

Nuestras hermanas y hermanos Latinos, oprimidos por negocios Amerikkkanos, adentro y afuera de los Estados Unidos. El pueblo Chicano construyo el sur-oeste de este país, y nosotros apoyamos sus derechos a controlar sus vidas y su tierra. La gente Dominicana continuan su lucha contra dominacion Yanqui y sus generales de muneco. La lucha armada en Latino America es parte de la misma guerra Latina contra el imperialismo.  
**QUE VIVA LA RAZA!**

## 3. QUEREMOS LIBERACION PARA LAS PERSONAS DEL TERCER MUNDO.

Tal como los Latinos trabajaron como esclavos, primero abajo de España y entonces de los Estados Unidos; las gentes Negras, Indias, y Asiaticas han trabajado como esclavos para construir la riqueza de este país. Por 400 años ellos han luchado contra la injusticia y la indignidad imponida sobre ellos por esta Babylonia racista (imperio decadente). El Tercer Mundo ha dirigido la lucha para su liberacion. Todos los pueblos oprimidos y de color se vuelven una nacion abajo de la opresion.  
**NINGUN PUERTORRIQUENO SERA LIBRE HASTA QUE TODOS LOS PUEBLOS SON LIBRE!**

## 4. SOMOS NACIONALISTAS REVOLUCIONARIOS Y NOS OPONEMOS AL RACISMO.

Las gentes Latinas, Negras, Indias y Asiaticas, adentro de los Estados Unidos, son colonias luchando para liberacion. Reconocimos que Washington, Wall Street y City Hall trataran de convertir nuestro nacionalismo a racismo, pero Puertorriqueños son de todos los colores y resistimos al racismo. Millones de personas pobres blancas se estan levantando a demandar libertad, y a ellos nosotros tambien lo soportamos. Estos son los cuales el gobierno y los líderes de los Estados Unidos pisan. Cada cual organiza sus gentes, pero nuestras luchas contra la opresion son igual y las venceremos unidos uno con el otro.

**PODER A TODOS LOS PUEBLOS OPRIMIDOS!**

## 5. QUEREMOS CONTROL COMUN DE TODAS NUESTRAS INSTITUCIONES Y TIERRA.

Queremos que nuestras comunidades sean controladas por la gente, y programas que garanticen que todas las instituciones servirán las necesidades de la gente. Queremos que la gente controlen la policia, los servicios de salud, las iglesias, las escuelas, las viviendas, el transporte, y el welfare. Queremos tambien un fin a los asaltos sobre nuestra tierra por eliminacion urbana, destruccion de las carreteras, universidades y corporaciones.

**LA TIERRA PERTENECE A TODOS LOS PUEBLOS!**

## 6. QUEREMOS UNA EDUCACION VERDADERA DE NUESTRA CULTURA CRIOLLA Y EL LENGUAJE ESPAÑOL.

Tenemos que aprender nuestra historia combatiente contra genocidio cultural y economico impuesto sobre nosotros por el Yanqui. Cultura revolucionaria, la cultura de nuestra gente, es la unica verdadera ensenanza.

**QUE VIVA BORIQUE! QUE VIVA EL JIBARO!**

## 7. NOS OPONEMOS A CAPITALISTAS Y ALIANZAS CON TRAIDORES.

Soberanos Puertorriqueños, o munecos de opresor, no ayudan a la gente. Ellos son pagados por el sistema para dirigir a nuestra gente abajo de callejones sine salida; tal como miles de alcaguetas de pobreza son pagados por mantener a nuestras comunidades tranquilas para negocio, o como trabajadores social dividen a las gangas y contribuyen por este hecho a su genocidio. Queremos una sociedad donde la gente democraticamente controlan su labor.  
**VENCEREMOS!**

8. NOS OPONEMOS AL EJERCITO NORTEAMERIKKKANO. Demandamos la retira inmediata de las fuerzas militares norteamerikkanas afuera de Puerto Rico, Vietnam, y todas las comunidades oprimidas adentro y afuera de los Estados Unidos. Ningun Puertorriqueño se inscribira en el ejercito amerikkano para luchar contra sus hermanos y hermanas oprimidas. El verdadero ejercito de un pueblo oprimido es el ejercito de la gente, el cual luchara todos gobernantes.

**ESTADOS UNIDOS AFUERA DE VIETNAM!  
QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE!**

## 9. QUEREMOS LIBERTAD PARA TODOS LOS PRISIONEROS POLITICOS.

Queremos que todo puertorriqueño se ponga en libertad, porque ellos no fueron juzgado por sus propia gentes o iguales, pero por las cortes rascistas de este colonizador. Queremos que todos que luchan por la libertad se pongan en libertad.

**LIBERTAD PARA TODOS LOS PRISIONEROS POLITICOS!**

10. QUEREMOS IGUALDAD PARA LAS MUJERES. EL MACHISMO TIENE QUE SER REVOLUCIONARIO—NO OPRESIVO. Abajo del capitalismo, nuestras mujeres han estado oprimida por la sociedad y nuestros propio hombres. Nuestros hombres usan el machismo para extraer sus frustraciones contra sus esposas, sus hermanas, sus madres y hijos. Nuestros hombres tienen que apoyar a sus mujeres en su lucha para igualdad economica y socialista, y tienen que reconocer que las mujeres son igual a los hombres en cada nivel en los rangos revolucionarios.  
**ADELANTE HERMANAS EN LA LUCHA!**

## 11. LUCHAMOS CONTRA ANTI-COMUNISMO CON IGUALDAD INTERNACIONAL.

Cualquiera que se opone a la injusticia es llamado comunista por "el hombre" y los condenados. La television, el radio, los periodicos, las escuelas, y los libros adoctrinan a nuestra gente a oponerse a otras naciones luchando por su libertad. Nunca mas creeremos los ataques y las calumnias de "el hombre" porque hemos aprendido cuales son nuestro verdadero enemigo, y quienes son nuestros verdaderos amigos. Defendaremos a nuestros hermanos y hermanas alrededor del mundo, quienes luchan por justicia contra los soberanos ricos de este país.

**VIVA CHE!**

## 12. CREEMOS QUE DEFENSA PROPIA Y LA LUCHA ARMADA SON LOS UNICOS METODOS QUE SE PUEDEN UTILIZAR PARA LIBERACION.

Nos oponemos a la violencia—la violencia de niños hambrientos, adultos analfabetos, viejos enfermos, y la violencia de pobreza y provecho. Hemos demandado, peticionado, hemos ido a las cortes, demostrado pacificamente y hemos votado por politicos lleno de promesas vasidas. Y todavia no somos libres. Hemos llegado al momento cuando nos tenemos que defender contra la represion; cuando tenemos que empezar una guerra revolucionaria contra el negociante, el politico, y la policia. Cuando un gobierno oprime a la gente abajo de ese gobierno, ellos tienen el deber de abolizarlo y crear uno nuevo.

**BORINQUEN ESTA DESPIERTO! PUERCOS ANDEN LISTO!**

## 13. QUEREMOS UNA SOCIEDAD SOCIALISTA.

Queremos liberacion, comida gratis, ropas, vivienda, encenanza, cuidado de salud, transporte, utilidades, y empleo para todos. Queremos una sociedad donde las necesidades de la gente vienen antes de todas cosas y donde nosotros damos solidaridad y apoyo a las gentes del mundo, no opresion ni racismo.  
**HASTA LA VICTORIA SIEMPRE!**



# 13 POINT PROGRAM AND PLATFORM YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION

OCTOBER 1969

THE YOUNG LORDS ORGANIZATION IS A REVOLUTIONARY  
POLITICAL PARTY FIGHTING FOR THE LIBERATION OF ALL  
OPPRESSED PEOPLE

## 1. WE WANT SELF-DETERMINATION FOR PUERTO RICANS— LIBERATION ON THE ISLAND AND INSIDE THE UNITED STATES

For 500 years, first Spain and then the United States have colonized our country. Billions of dollars in profits leave our country for the United States every year. In every way we are slaves of the gringo. We want liberation and the Power in the hands of the People, not Puerto Rican exploiters.

**QUE VIVA PUERTO RICO LIBRE!**

## 2. WE WANT SELF-DETERMINATION FOR ALL LATINOS

Our Latin Brothers and Sisters, inside and outside the United States, are oppressed by American business. The Chicano people built the Southwest, and we support their right to control their lives and their land. The people of Santo Domingo continue to fight against gringo domination and its puppet generals. The armed liberation struggles in Latin America are part of the same war of Latinos against imperialism.

**QUE VIVA LA RAZA!**

## 3. WE WANT LIBERATION OF ALL THIRD WORLD PEOPLE

Just as Latinos first slaved under Spain and then the Yankees, Black people, Indians, and Asians slaved to build the wealth of this country. For 400 years they have fought for freedom and dignity against racist Babylon (decadent empire). Third World people have led the fight for freedom. All the colored and oppressed peoples of the world are one nation under oppression.

**NO PUERTO RICAN IS FREE UNTIL ALL PEOPLE ARE FREE!**

## 4. WE ARE REVOLUTIONARY NATIONALISTS AND OPPOSE RACISM

The Latin, Black, Indian and Asian people inside the U.S. are colonies fighting for liberation. We know that Washington, Wall Street, and City Hall will try to make our nationalism into racism; but Puerto Ricans are of all colors and we resist racism. Millions of poor white people are rising up to demand freedom and we support them. These are the ones in the U.S. that are stepped on by the rulers and the government. We each organize our people, but our fights are the same against oppression and we will defeat it together.

**POWER TO ALL OPPRESSED PEOPLE!**

## 5. WE WANT COMMUNITY CONTROL OF OUR INSTITUTIONS AND LAND

We want control of our communities by our people and programs to guarantee that all institutions serve the needs of our people. People's control of police, health services, churches, schools, housing, transportation and welfare are needed. We want an end to attacks on our land by urban removal, highway destruction, universities and corporations.

**LAND BELONGS TO ALL THE PEOPLE!**

## 6. WE WANT A TRUE EDUCATION OF OUR CREOLE CULTURE AND SPANISH LANGUAGE

We must learn our history of fighting against cultural, as well as economic genocide by the Yankee. Revolutionary culture, culture of our people, is the only true teaching.

**LONG LIVE BORICUA!**

**LONG LIVE EL JIBARO!**



## 7. WE OPPOSE CAPITALISTS AND ALLIANCES WITH TRAITORS

Puerto Rican rulers, or puppets of the oppressor, do not help our people. They are paid by the system to lead our people down blind alleys, just like the thousands of poverty pimps who keep our communities peaceful for business, or the street workers who keep gangs divided and blowing each other away. We want a society where the people socialistically control their labor.

**VENCEREMOS!**

## 8. WE OPPOSE THE AMERIKKAN MILITARY

We demand immediate withdrawal of U.S. military forces and bases from Puerto Rico, Vietnam, and all oppressed communities inside and outside the U.S. No Puerto Rican should serve in the U.S. Army against his Brothers and Sisters, for the only true army of oppressed people is the people's army to fight all rulers.

**U.S. OUT OF VIETNAM, FREE PUERTO RICO!**

## 9. WE WANT FREEDOM FOR ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS

We want all Puerto Ricans freed because they have been tried by the racist courts of the colonizers, and not by their own people and peers. We want all freedom fighters released from jail.

**FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS!**

## 10. WE WANT EQUALITY FOR WOMEN. MACHISMO MUST BE REVOLUTIONARY...NOT OPPRESSIVE

Under capitalism, our people have been oppressed by both the society and our own men. The doctrine of machismo has been used by our men to take out their frustrations against their wives, sisters, mothers, and children. Our men must support their women in their fight for economic and social equality, and must recognize that our women are equals in every way within the revolutionary ranks.

**FORWARD, SISTERS, IN THE STRUGGLE!**

## 11. WE FIGHT ANTI-COMMUNISM WITH INTERNATIONAL UNITY.

Anyone who resists injustice is called a communist by "the man" and condemned. Our people are brainwashed by television, radio, newspapers, schools, and books to oppose people in other countries fighting for their freedom. No longer will our people believe attacks and slanders, because they have learned who the real enemy is and who their real friends are. We will defend our Brothers and Sisters around the world who fight for justice against the rich rulers of this country.

**VIVA CHE!**

## 12. WE BELIEVE ARMED SELF-DEFENSE AND ARMED STRUGGLE ARE THE ONLY MEANS TO LIBERATION

We are opposed to violence—the violence of hungry children, illiterate adults, diseased old people, and the violence of poverty and profit. We have asked, petitioned, gone to courts, demonstrated peacefully, and voted for politicians full of empty promises. But we still ain't free. The time has come to defend the lives of our people against repression and for revolutionary war against the businessman, politician, and police. When a government oppresses our people, we have the right to abolish it and create a new one.

**BORICUA IS AWAKE!**

**ALL PIGS BEWARE!**

## 13. WE WANT A SOCIALIST SOCIETY

We want liberation, clothing, free food, education, health care, transportation, utilities, and employment for all. We want a society where the needs of our people come first, and where we give solidarity and aid to the peoples of the world, not oppression and racism.

**HASTA LA VICTORIA SIEMPRE!**



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