

## STATEMENT OF THE COMMITTEES TO FREE ALVARO LUNA HERNANDEZ

Greetings Human Rights and Civil Liberties advocates,

The Committees to Free Alvaro Luna Hernandez--a Chicano political prisoner held in Administrative Segregation deep in the heart of "Bush Country" Texas--want to commend you on your efforts in pressing forward the international issues of Human Rights abuses at military prisons in Iraq and Cuba, and the similarly torturous domestic tragedies of long-term isolation imprisonment in our own U.S. prisons; such as the Super-Max Security Housing Units (SHUs) and "Ad Seg."

This is a crucial moment that we must seize, by strategizing together to further expose the trends of the far-right power structures, headed up by the U.S., that control most of the major world powers, to repress political dissent and opposition in their quest for the complete domination of the world's peoples and natural resources at any cost. Alvaro is one of over a hundred social justice activists who are imprisoned in the U.S. for daring to stand up against these abuses.

An ominous threat looms with the emergence of recently appointed Attorney General Alberto Gonzales—a former Conservative Texas Supreme Court Justice and White House aide complicit in U.S. policies of torture and prisoner abuse at Abu Ghraib. Our attention on this man's agenda, now that he is in command of the U.S. Department of Justice and overseer of U.S. prison system, must be stepped up.

We urge all forums and conferences convening on these issues to support NGOs such as the International Indian Treaty Council, which works on behalf of many indigenous peoples deprived of their liberties by political imprisonment, including Alvaro Luna Hernandez's. Their high-profile work at international forums like the U.N. Commission for Human Rights has the potential to address OUR concerns to the world's human rights representatives, and consequently to the U.S. government's bureaucracy.

In the coming weeks and months, you can help us fight for justice for Alvaro! We are calling on the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee to open hearings on cases of injustice like Alvaro's recent denial at the 5th Circuit court, fuelled by racism and the right-wing bias of Bush-appointed judges.

## Request that these agencies/individuals intervene or support Alvaro's case

U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, U.S. Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001 Fax: (202) 353-1555 AskDOJ@usdoj.gov

United States Senate, Committee on the Judiciary, 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 Fax: (202)224-9102 (202) 224-5225 Attn: Chair, U.S. Senator Arlen Specter, ( R. PA. ) arlen\_specter@specter.senate.gov (202) 224-4254 fax: (202) 228-1229 and: U.S. Senator John Cornyn, ( R. TX. ) (202) 224-2934 fax: (202) 228-2856

U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Office S, HST, U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20520 (202) 647-5291 U.S. Supreme Court Justice
John Paul Stevens
U.S. Supreme Court Building,
Supreme Court of the United States,
1 First Street, N.E.,
Washington, D.C. 20543
(202)479-3211
Clerk of the Court,
Honorable William K.Suter,
(202) 479-3014
Or: Toll-free - 1-800-877-8339

U.S. Representative
Cynthia McKinney,
Congresswoman,
4<sup>th</sup> District of Georgia,
320 Cannon House Office Building,
Washington, D.C. 20515
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