

PARTIAL LISTING OF:

Eastern Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War



1. Clinton Correctional Facility

DAVID GILBERT / 83A6158

P.O. Box 2000 / Dannemora, NY 12929

Anti-Imperialist PP, David Gilbert was a member of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), the Weather Underground and later an armed combatant in the Revolutionary Armed Task Force (RATF). Captured in 1981 during an attempted expropriation where 3 state security agents were killed, Dave's serving 75 years (min.) to life.

2. Auburn Correctional Facility

JALIL MUNTAQIM {Bottom} / 77A4283

Box 618 / 135 State St. / Auburn, NY

NY Three PP, Jalil Muntaqim was a member of the BPP and BLA. Captured in 1971, and falsely convicted of two police murders, Jalil is serving a 25-year to life sentence.

3. Wende Correctional Facility

ROBERT SETH HAYES / 74-A-2280

P.O. Box 1187 / Alden, NY 14004-1187

BLA POW, Robert Seth Hayes was a member of the BPP and the BLA. Seth was captured as an armed combatant and imprisoned for actions taken on behalf of Black liberation.

4. MCI Shirley

WILLIAM LEFTY GILDAY

P.O. Box 1218 / Shirley, MA 01464-1218

William 'Lefty' Gilday was a member of what became known as the "Revolutionary Action Force—East." He was sentenced to life in prison for his involvement in bank expropriation while attempting to finance the anti-war movement during the Vietnam War.

5. MCI Cedar Junction

JAAN K. LAAMAN / W41514

Box 100 / South Walpole, MA 02071

Jaan Karl Laaman is an Anti-Imperialist PP, sentenced for 98 years for being a member of the United Freedom Front, which carried out armed actions against apartheid, imperialism and war in the 80's.

6. Sullivan Correctional Facility

BASHIR HAMEED (J. YORK) / 82A6313

Box AG / Fallsburg, NY 12733

BLA PP, Bashir Hameed was a member of the BPP and the BLA. Falsely convicted of police murder, the state was unable to convict Bashir and his codefendant Abdul Majid (known as the Queens 2) until after they severely intimidated and threatened witnesses to testify against them.

7. Eastern Correctional Facility

HERMAN BELL / 79C0262

Box 338 / Napanoch, NY 12458-0338

NY Three PP, Herman Bell was a member of the BPP and BLA. Captured in 1973 and falsely convicted of two police murders, Herman is serving a 25-year to life sentence.

8. Green Haven Correctional Facility

ABDUL MAJID / 83A0483

Drawer B / Stormville, NY 12582-0010

Queens 2 PP, Abdul Majid was a member of the BPP and BLA. See #6

9. SCI Dallas

DELBERT ORR AFRICA / AM4985

WILLIAM PHILLIPS AFRICA / AM4989

Drawer K / Dallas, PA 18612

MOVE 9 PP's, William and Delbert Africa, were all members of the MOVE organization. After years of activism and police harassment and brutality against the MOVE organization the MOVE 9 were falsely arrested in 1979 after a military raid on their home where one police officer was killed by "friendly fire", the MOVE 9 were wrongly convicted and each sentenced to 30-100 years for the death.

10. SCI Cambridge Springs

DEBBIE SIMS AFRICA / 006307

JANET HOLLOWAY AFRICA / 006308

JANINE PHILLIPS AFRICA / 006309

451 Fullerton Ave / Cambridge Springs, PA / 16403-1238

MOVE 9 PP's, Debbie, Janine & Janet Africa. See #9 for charges.

11. USP Allenwood

SUNDIATA ACOLI (C. SQUIRE) / 39794-066

Box 3000 / White Deer, PA 17887

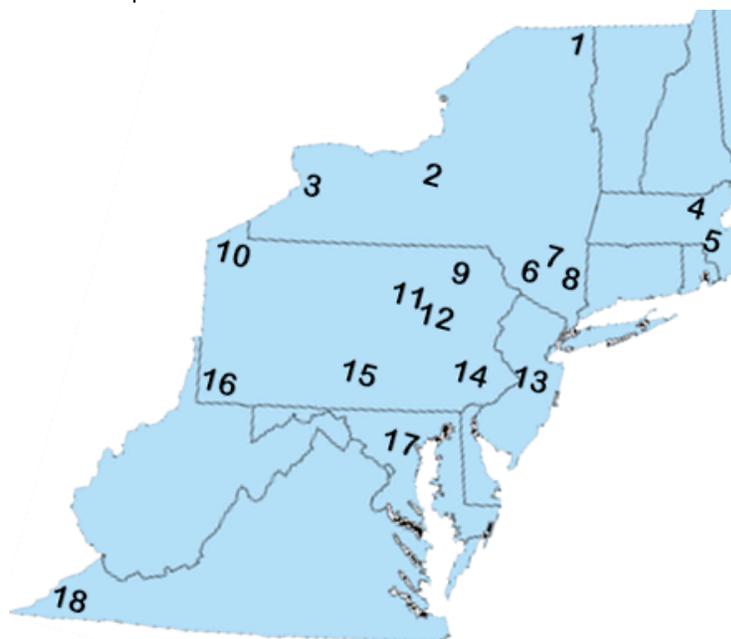
BLA POW, Sundiata Acoli was a member of the BPP and the BLA. Back in prison since 1973 after an ambush with state police where one trooper was killed and one was wounded, he's serving life + 30 years. Formerly a member of the Panther 21 trial, this is his second political imprisonment.

12. SCI Coal Township

JOSEPH "JOE-JOE" BOWEN / AM-4272

1 Kelley Drive / Coal Township, PA 17866-1021

BLA POW, Joe-Joe Bowen was a member of the BLA. He is imprisoned for a 1971 shoot-out with police, which left one officer dead. In 1981, Bowen led a six-day standoff with prison authorities over prison conditions at Graterford State Prison.



This map illustrates the locations of the prisons that currently hold Political Prisoners in the Northeast U.S.

Notice

13. New Jersey State Prison

OJORE NURU LUTALO 59860

PO 861 / SBI# 0000901548 / Trenton, NJ 08625

New Afrikan anarchist POW, Ojore Lutalo is serving his second political imprisonment. He was captured last in 1982 after being paroled from his first political imprisonment, he was returned to prison to complete a 40- year sentence stemming from the original charge of expropriation.

14. SCI Graterford

MICHAEL DAVIS AFRICA / AM4973

CHUCK SIMS AFRICA / AM4975

Box 244 Graterford, PA 19426-0244

MOVE 9 PP's Michael and Chuck Africa. See #9 for charges

15. SCI Camp Hill

EDWARD GOODMAN AFRICA / AM4974

Box 200 / Camp Hill, PA 17011-0200

MOVE 9 PP Edward Africa. See #9 for charges.

16. SCI Greene

MUMIA ABU-JAMAL /AM-8335

RUSSELL MAROON SHOATS / AF-3855

175 Progress Drive / Waynesburg, PA 15370-8090

PP on Death Row, Mumia Abu-Jamal was a member of the BPP. Falsely arrested in 1982 after being shot, Mumia was framed for the killing of a police officer and sentenced to death. BLA PP, Russell Maroon Shoats was a member of the Black Unity Council, which merged with the BPP. He later joined the BLA, was captured in 1972, falsely convicted of a police murder and sentenced to life imprisonment.

17. Jessup State Prison

MARSHAL E.CONWAY / 116469 / Box 534 / Jessup, MD 20794

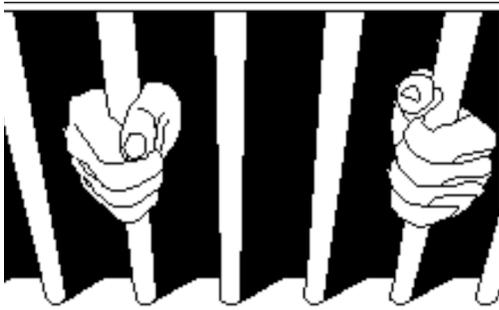
Black Panther PP, Marshal Eddie Conway was a member of the BPP. He was captured in 1970 and falsely convicted of the killing of a Baltimore police officer, Marshall is presently serving a life-sentence.

18. Wallensridge Supermax

MALIK SMITH / 295935

HANIF BEY (B. GEREAU) / 295933

Box 759 / Wallensridge Supermax / Big Stone Gap, VA 24219
Virgin Island 5 (also known as "the Fountain Valley 5") PP's, Abdul Aziz and Malik Smith, were anti-colonial activists falsely accused of murdering eight people in 1972 on the U.S. Virgin Islands. The five were charged after being subjected to vicious torture, in order to extract confessions. On August 13, 1973, each of the five men were convicted in the "Fountain Valley 5 case" and were sentenced to eight (8) consecutive life terms.



Is it surprising that prisons resemble factories, schools, barracks, hospitals, which all resemble prisons?- Michel Foucault

Restrictions and criteria for visiting Federal and State prisons are different. Generally, it is easier to visit state prisoners. Visiting conditions are usually better at Federal prisons. Listed below are some of the different guidelines for visiting Federal/State prisoners, and some guidelines useful to visit any prisoner. Because prisons



often have restrictions on how many visits prisoners may receive per month, avoid surprising prisoners with visits as it may conflict with visits they are already expecting. Also, if arranging visits by mail, try to be specific about the day you will visit. By being vague and saying you'll visit "some time that week", you may tie up the prisoners whole week if someone else wants to visit them the same week. If two people visit on the same day, one of you will have to be turned away at the front desk. Prisons so rarely bend any rules, especially for PP/POW's, that we might as well say they never do. Prisoners who receive very few visits may tell you to visit any time. But until they give you the freedom to do so, be principled, be considerate.

Federal Prisons: To visit Federal prisoners, you must first be approved by filling out a form that the prisoner must send you in advance. In most federal prisons only people who say they had a relationship to a federal prisoner prior to their imprisonment are likely to be approved. They will ask you to describe the relationship you had and where it began. Usually, the prison will not approve people who say they visit other prisoners. Once you complete and mail the form to the prisoners counselor (the address will be provided on the visiting form sent to you by the prisoner), the prisoner will tell you if you have been approved or denied. In any case, each prisoner can tell you specifics of the prison they are held in.

State Prisons: Most state prisons do not require you to be placed on an approved visitors list. New Jersey and Pennsylvania do require you to be on a pre-approved list. You will go through a metal detector at any prison you visit. In addition to this, many state prisons require you to be pat searched. State prisons also often have much stricter dress codes.

Confirm visiting days through the mail (or by phone if they call you). Plan visits ahead of time and allow enough time to reschedule a visit if your schedules conflict. Try to propose visiting days at least two or three weeks ahead of time if you are scheduling it through the mail. Work out all the details and ask all questions with the prisoner through the mail (or by phone if they call you). Ask about visiting days and hours, dress codes, maximum number of visitors allowed per visit if you plan on bringing other supporters, about getting photos of your visit, and anything else you can think of. You will not be allowed to visit without presenting a valid photo ID like a drivers license or county ID. Bring enough small bills or change for the vending machines in the visiting room so you and the prisoner can eat.

If you have any further questions about any of the prisoners, please feel free to contact us.

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