

# Hanif Shabazz Bey

## ANTI-COLONIALIST PRISONER

*imprisoned since 1972*



**Hanif Shabazz Bey** is one of the Virgin Island 5, accused and convicted of murdering eight tourists at a golf course in the U.S. occupied Virgin Islands in 1972. The murders occurred during a turbulent period of rebellion on the Islands, when resistance to colonial rule was growing in occupied territories. Police used the murder of the tourists as an excuse to bring in over a hundred black activists for interrogation. The island of St. Croix was put under martial law. All 5 men accused were known supporters of the Virgin Island independence movement. They were subjected to vicious torture in order to extract confessions, and were found guilty and sentenced to eight consecutive life terms despite the many indications that the trial was profoundly flawed.

*“Regardless of who goes into the White House... 2017 promises to be a year where the downtrodden masses will have to circle the wagons in order to withstand the walls of oppression.”*

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