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Subject: PEACE AND JUSTICE ACTION LEAGUE OF
SPOKANE/1/1/01 TO PRESENT

FOIPA No. 1042772- 000

Dear Requester:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Deletions have been made to protect information which is exempt from disclosure, with the appropriate exemptions noted on the page next to the excision. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted in the file to indicate where pages were withheld entirely. The exemptions used to withhold information are marked below and explained on the enclosed Form OPCA-16a:

Section 552

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Section 552a

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17 **page(s)** were reviewed and 17 **page(s)** are being released.

☐ Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning other Government agency(ies) [OGA]. This information has been:

- ☐ referred to the OGA for review and direct response to you.
- ☐ referred to the OGA for consultation. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is finished.

☒ You have the right to appeal any denials in this release. Appeals should be directed in writing to the Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice, 1425 New York Ave., NW, Suite 11050, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001 within sixty days from the date of this letter. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA number assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

☐ The enclosed material is from the main investigative file(s) in which the subject(s) of your request was the focus of the investigation. Our search located additional references, in files relating to other individuals, or matters, which may or may not be about your subject(s). Our experience has shown, when ident, references usually contain information similar to the information processed in the main file(s).

Because of our significant backlog, we have given priority to processing only the main investigative file(s). If you want the references, you must submit a separate request for them in writing, and they will be reviewed at a later date, as time and resources permit.

☐ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Hardy", followed by a stylized flourish or number "3".

David M. Hardy
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Record/Information
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Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute(A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could be reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could be reasonably expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

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- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

➤ April 3rd, 2002: Anti-war protest in lobby outside of Congressman George Nethercutt's Office, U.S. District Courthouse, Spokane, WA.

On April 3, 2002, eight individuals, to include [REDACTED] of the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS), [REDACTED] were arrested during an anti-war protest directed at Congressman George Nethercutt when they refused to leave the lobby of the U.S. District Courthouse in Spokane. The PJALS have been involved in a number of anti-war protest actions throughout the local area for years.

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On October 20, 2003, [REDACTED] a former member of the Spokane based Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS) and a self-avowed anarchist, sabotaged electrical transmission towers in Klamath Falls, Oregon and Anderson, California. On November 2, 2003, [REDACTED] was taken into custody by the California Highway Patrol in Sacramento, California. He subsequently pled guilty to two counts of Damage to Property of an Energy Facility and was sentenced to 27 months in prison and over \$19,000.00 in restitution.

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OTHER O/S

August 24th, 2004: Dangerous Media Tour travels to Spokane, Washington.

On August 24, 2004, the Dangerous Media Tour reportedly stopped at Spokane, Washington hosted at the Community Building located at 35 W.Main Street in Spokane, the same building that houses offices of the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS).

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OTHER O/S



peace & justice action league of spokane

Banner obtained from the PJALS website: www.icehouse.net/pjals

❖ Peace & Justice Action League of Spokane

35 W. Main Street, Suite 120M,
Spokane, WA 99201
(509) 838-7870

Mission: to promote social, political, and economic change through community organizing, non-violence training, human rights education and advocacy. The PJALS, which claims a membership of about 600 individuals, has been in existence since 1975. Members regularly engage in non-violent, anti-war protest actions.

Comments: Also involved in the School of the Americas Watch (SOAW) designed to protest U.S. Army training school for Latin American soldiers at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Criminal Nexus: [redacted] of the PJALS and long time activist against the SOAW, [redacted] both have prior arrests for protest activity/civil disobedience. As previously indicated, electrical tower saboteur, [redacted] was also a former member of the PJALS.

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Another protest was held on April 4, 2002 at the Spokane office of Congressman George Nethercutt. This protest, involved members of the Peace and Justice Action League (PJAL) here in Spokane, and focused on issues of war, peace, and U.S. foreign policy. Eight activists were detained and cited for failure to leave the Thomas E. Foley Courthouse at closing time.

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School of the Americas Watch

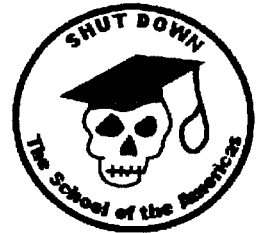
School of the Americas* Watch works to educate people about the existence of the U.S. Army training school for Latin American soldiers at Ft. Benning Georgia. Graduates of the SOA have been responsible for a majority of human rights abuses in Latin American countries, including massacres of hundreds of civilians. SOAW seeks to permanently close the U.S. tax-supported terrorist training school.

**now known as the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation.*

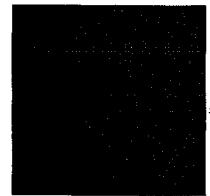
For more information on School of the Americas Watch, visit the National SOAW website.

Visit the Northwest Regional SOAW website .

The 2004 SOA NW Action in Tacoma was canceled this year. Click here for more information on the October event planned for Spokane the weekend of the 9th.



Photos from Ft. Benning



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C) Local Single Issue Organizations/Activists

There are a large number of animal rights, ecological advocacy groups that operate throughout the territory covered by the Inland Northwest. The majority of these groups do not promote violence or other criminal activity. Likewise, members of most of these groups engage in non-violent, protest activity as protected by the Constitution. However, there are a number of local activists often times affiliated with a number of local organizations that are known to engage in civil disobedience, vandalism, and/or other criminal activity in order to advance their radical single issue agendas. These activists often have criminal records, with prior arrests by federal, state, or local law enforcement agencies on charges ranging from police obstruction to assault. Several local activists that have engaged in criminal activity are identified below.

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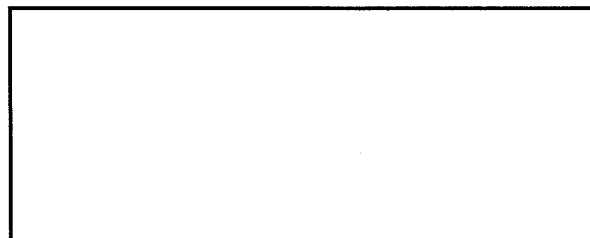
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Washington, USA: Eight peace activists were arrested on 3 April while waiting in the lobby of US Representative George Nethercutt's office in Spokane, Washington. The activists were waiting to speak with Nethercutt about their concern regarding the current US administration's so-called war on terrorism after their letter requesting a meeting was refused. The activists were informed that Nethercutt, who has never in his six years as a Congressman honored a request to meet with members of the Spokane peace community, was "unavailable" and would not be able to meet with them. A short time later, however, a "red-faced and obviously angry" Nethercutt was escorted into his office by armed officers, said Paddy Inman, Peacekeeper Coordinator for School of the Americas Watch (SOAW) and one of those arrested. Each of the activists read a personal statement to Nethercutt expressing their distress towards the pervasive and escalating violence in the world today. Shortly thereafter, the activists were handcuffed and arrested.

The activists arrested included the co-directors of the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS) and other long-time peace advocates. All eight were released and are due for a hearing in Federal District Court sometime in the future.

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Native Forest Network
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Missoula, MT 59807
406-542-7343
www.nativeforest.org

Native Forest Network
PO Box 301
Deloraine, Tasmania 7304
03-6369-5102
www.nativeforest.org

Northern Rockies Conservation Coop
PO Box 2705
Jackson, WY 83001
307-733-6856
nrcc@wyoming.com

Northwest Ecosystem Alliance
1421 Cornwall Avenue
Suite 201
Bellingham, WA 98225
360-671-9950
www.ecosystem.org

NW Resource Information Center
PO Box 427
Eagle, ID 83610
208-939-7263

Oregon Natural Desert Association
917 SW Oak Street, Suite 408
Portland, OR 97205
503-525-0193
www.onda.org

Peace & Justice Action League
35 W. Main Ave. #120M
Spokane, WA 99201
509-838-7870

Predator Conservation Alliance
PO Box 6733
Bozeman, MT 59771
406-587-3389
www.predatorconservation.org

Protect Glacier-Canyon Coalition
Box 422
Hungry Horse, MT 59919
406-367-5872

Rock Creek Alliance

Fairchild AFB OSI received information about a protest that is scheduled to take place early Thursday morning (6:45am) at the main gate of the base. The protest is being kept secret by members of the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS). PJALS has arranged to have the activity videotaped by law students. A briefing of several law enforcement agencies is planned to discuss traffic and enforcement issues on dealing with the protesters.

Det. [] said the protest coordinated by the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS) at Fairchild AFB two weeks ago started before 7am and ended shortly thereafter with several arrests. Due to law enforcement preparedness, the protesters were taken by surprise and very little disruption was felt at the base.

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Analyst [] advised the Peace and Justice Action League put a notice on their website announcing the new radio station KYRS "Thin Air Community Radio" at 95.3 FM is up and running at the Community Building although the reception is not very

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strong. The station is staffed by volunteers. A television interview was given with [REDACTED] The station will feature local musicians and will provide an outlet for diverse people to talk about global economics, health, spirituality and the environment. The station's website is www.kyrs.org

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WSP Det [redacted] said [redacted] pled guilty in Sacramento to charges of damaging electrical towers in California. [redacted] went on a spree in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and California and cut several transmission towers with a reciprocating saw. [redacted] gave inaccurate locations of the towers and not all have been identified. [redacted] was a member of the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane until he quit the group and left Spokane abruptly.

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Analyst [redacted] advised this Saturday, March 20th, is being called the "Global Day of Action" with protests scheduled to take place nationwide demonstrating against the war in Iraq. In Spokane, the Peace and Justice Action League is sponsoring a rally at Franklin Park at 1pm. They are planning to march down to the Military Recruiting office on Francis and Division and back to Franklin Park.

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ICE SA [REDACTED] is looking for any information about the PJALS Reverse March they have announced for Presidential Inauguration Day on January 20th.

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[redacted] said members of the Peace and Justice Action League (PJALS) traveled to Fort Benning in Georgia to join the annual School of the Americas (SOA) protest.

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SA [] said although the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS) is very law abiding, []

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Analyst [] reported on recent vandalism conducted on an electrical tower in Kennewick. The vandalism is similar to what PJALS member [] did a couple of years ago to several electrical towers in Washington, Oregon and California. [] was recently released from jail after serving time for those crimes. [] is back living with his []

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