

NOW IT'S ONLY GETTING WORSE!

March 1, 2003 the INS was transferred to the new Dept. of Homeland Security.

This move explicitly makes immigration a "security" issue, with the money and political will to increase policing and detention. The same old bureaucrats are in charge, but now they have a blank check for increased militarization of our borders, incarceration and attacks against non-citizens and citizens alike.

Since 9-11

- * Thousands of immigrants have been 'disappeared,' held indefinitely in INS secret detention while they are investigated and deported under a veil of secrecy -- usually without access to an attorney or their families.
- * The "Special Registration" program requires tens of thousands of men from 25 countries to report to the Dept of Homeland Security periodically, where they are subjected to intense scrutiny, arrest, detention and deportation for the most minor of technical immigration violations.
- * The federal government is developing various "cooperative" initiatives to involve local police and the FBI in immigration enforcement.
- * The USA PATRIOT ACT is heightening surveillance and policing of immigrants and U.S citizens. A proposed "PATRIOT Act II" includes provisions that could strip U.S citizens of their citizenship.
- * The Department of Homeland Security announced "Operation Liberty Shield" which would automatically detain Iraqis and people from several dozen other unspecified countries, while they try to seek political asylum in the U.S.
- * The DHS also has already put out a call for private contractors and county governments to build thousands of cells for the imprisonment of immigrants.

THESE INITIATIVES WILL RESULT IN EVEN HIGHER RATES OF IMMIGRANT INCARCERATION.



- * Incarceration and deportation destroy families and communities, waste resources, and make no one safer.
- * Only by stopping the growth of the US police state at home and abroad, and by expanding access to education, health care, livable wages and decent working conditions will true safety for all be achieved.

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**INS?
BICE?
BCBP?**

...same as the old boss

Whether it calls itself the Immigration and Naturalization Service, the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement or the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection. . .

. . . . the US government has created and enforced policies that uproot immigrant communities and violate human rights for more than 100 years.

**Stop the U.S War on Immigrants & Communities of Color!
Stop the U.S War Machine Abroad!**

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