



Hands Off Noche Diaz!

Drop All Charges Against This Young Revolutionary!

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Who is Noche Díaz?

Noche has been arrested five times since October 2011 and has had 11 charges piled on him in four New York City boroughs, all for observing and protesting the illegitimate actions of the NYPD. He is facing over four years in jail in a trial that begins Tuesday, April 23, 100 Centre Street, in Manhattan. Noche was one of the first members of the Stop Mass Incarceration Network and helped organize protests that kicked off a citywide struggle against stop-and-frisk. He is well known to the people—and to the NYPD—for being a member of the Revolution Club and the People's Neighborhood Patrol of Harlem.

Excerpt from statement by Noche Díaz:

“Some of you out there have never been stopped and frisked, and maybe you don't know what it actually means, what it means to be a young person coming up in New York City or maybe you know some people and you've heard these stories. *But people need to actually know what happens every day, 1,900 times or more.* Maybe you're coming home from school, maybe you're going to school, maybe you're going to work, or coming home. You're minding your own business; you're going about your day and suddenly some cop steps to you. They grab you, they throw you up against the wall, they turn out your pockets and if you speak back you risk being thrown in jail and spending the whole night locked up and facing charges and a case, maybe having to miss school, or maybe having to miss work which you can't afford to do. And your whole life begins to be dominated by the fact that at any moment when you walk the street, some cop can step to you and mess up your whole day, your whole week and the rest of your life....

“I'm on trial in Manhattan, facing up to four years in prison, precisely because when these kinds of things go down I don't walk by and I don't let it happen in silence, I don't let people get violated without someone speaking up for them. I've been standing up for these youth for years. And I've been targeted for my role in doing that. But what's important for you to know is that you can actually be a part of beating back these attacks on people who stand up for the people and for the youth. And so I invite everybody to join us... ”



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