

LEXINGTON CONTROL UNIT--WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT IT?

Participate in a letter and phone campaign!

In early October, under tremendous pressure from the ACLU, church delegations, and the national Lexington Campaign, the Bureau of Prisons announced that the Control Unit will be closed--but not for another nine to eleven months! Furthermore, Director Michael Quinlan has stated that Alejandrina, Susan, and Silvia will be posted to a larger control unit for 150-200 women, now under construction in rural Florida, the Marianna Federal Prison. It is reasonable to fear that all women political prisoners and many other women will be posted to this even more isolated and desolate location, a women's version of the notorious Marion Control Unit in downstate Illinois. The American Civil Liberties Union, which prepared a 40 page report on their investigation of Lexington, has given the Bureau of Prisons a deadline of December 1 to move the women. It's important to keep up the pressure now!

**Call or write J. Michael Quinlan, Director Bureau of Prisons
US Department of Justice, Washington DC 20534
(202) 724-3250**

Demand:

- *Close Lexington and all control units immediately!**
- *Transfer all the women in the unit to general population now.**

Break through the isolation--write to Alejandrina, Susan, and Silvia. The Bureau of Prisons is trying to isolate the women from us. The Guardian, Off Our Backs, Libertad, and much political literature has been turned back on the grounds that it "threatens the security and good order of the institution." These sisters are human--they need political information, and they need to know that we support them. Let's bombard the prison with mail! Put them on your organization's mailing list to insist that political information get through. Send them a book to test the warden's recent promise that literature will get in freely. Write them a letter, or organize your group to send them holiday cards.

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**Call to find out how to become involved: Out of Control Committee
or National Campaign to Abolish the Lexington Women's Control
Unit, 561-9055, 3543 18th St #17, SF CA 94110.**