

ON JUNE 20th, ACTIVISTS FROM 35+ COUNTRIES WILL BE DEMANDING,
FREEDOM FOR OSCAR

Community organizer, Vietnam veteran, and political prisoner for over 34 years

Join the International Day of Solidarity with Oscar López Rivera taking place in 35+ countries on this day and rally following the UN Decolonization Committee Hearings to demand Oscar's immediate release!

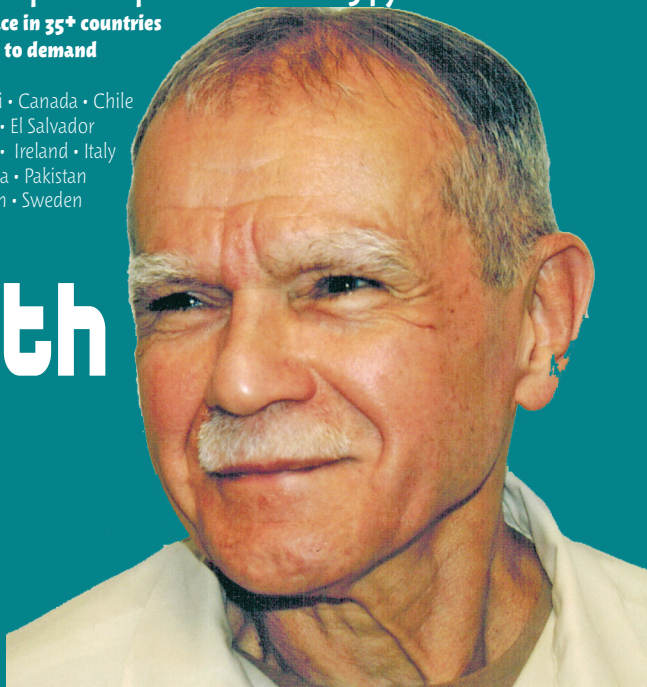
Countries invited to participate : Argentina • Australia • Belgium • Brazil • Burundi • Canada • Chile
Colombia • Costa Rica • Cuba • Dominican Republic • East Timor • Ecuador • Egypt • El Salvador
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Japan • Jordan • Korea • Mexico • Mozambique • Namibia • Netherlands • Nicaragua • Pakistan
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PRESIDENT OBAMA: 35 YEARS IS LONG ENOUGH!

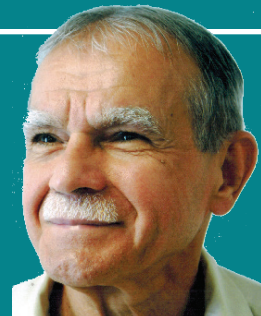
Who is Oscar López Rivera?

Now age 73, Oscar López Rivera is the longest-held political prisoner in Puerto Rican history. He was charged with seditious conspiracy – the same charge for which Nelson Mandela was imprisoned – for his participation in Puerto Rico’s independence movement. He was never accused of hurting anyone or participating in any violent crime – only of fighting for his country to be free.

Who supports Oscar’s freedom?

International human rights leaders such as Nobel Laureates Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, Adolfo Perez Esquivel of Argentina, Jose Ramos Horta of East Timor, Mairead Corrigan Maguire of Ireland, and others...; Puerto Ricans across the political and religious spectrum, including Puerto Rico’s Governor and Resident Commissioner, the Archbishop of San Juan; and tens of thousands who have signed letters for his release.

- **Decorated Vietnam Vet**
- **Community Organizer**
- **Educator**
- **Symbol of Unity**



Since 1981, Oscar López Rivera has been incarcerated in the US – an act condemned by the UN – making him the longest held political prisoner in the history of US-Latin American relations. In 1898, US Marines landed in Puerto Rico, taking control of the government, economy, and general sovereignty of the island. Since 1946 (shortly after its founding), the United Nations and its Special Committee on Decolonization reviewed Puerto Rico’s status until 1952, when the US imposed the Free Associated Commonwealth and then again in 1972, asserting its “inalienable right to self-determination.” In 1998, following the conclusion of South Africa’s Truth and Reconciliation Commission, Archbishop Desmond Tutu led a half dozen fellow Nobel Peace Prize recipients in a Call to Free Oscar López Rivera. Last year, several heads of state attending the annual Organization of American States General Assembly proclaimed Oscar to be “the Nelson Mandela of Latin America.” This year, THIS CALL asks the people of the world to come together, in local and regional actions on June 20th, with one voice and demand: FREE OSCAR LÓPEZ RIVERA NOW!