

As we, in the New Jersey State Troopers Non Commissioned Officers Association, continue our ever increasing efforts to make sure these murderers are brought to justice and that sanctions are executed, we ask any State that has a law enforcement officer Line of Duty Death attributed to a fugitive still living in Cuba, please respond so we may present to President Obama those names for his consideration as we look to welcome Cuba back with open arms.

You who have been following the Obama's administrations efforts to re-instill relations with Cuba, should be mortified to know that Cuba still to this day harbors many fugitives in that country that have committed the most heinous of crimes. In New Jersey, Joanne Chesimard, also known as Assata Shakur, was convicted of murdering New Jersey State Trooper Werner Foerster during a shoot-out on the New Jersey Turnpike on May 2, 1973. She was pulled over for a routine traffic stop, wherein Chesimard and fellow members of the radical Black Liberation Army opened fire on Foerster and another State Trooper.

Chesimard killed Foerster "execution style", shooting him in the head as he lay wounded by gunfire.

Chesimard, a Black Panther and member of the Black Liberation Army, was sentenced to life in prison in 1977 after being found guilty of murdering Trooper Foerster.

Chesimard, now 62, escaped from the then-Clinton Correctional Institution for Women in Hunterdon County in 1979 when three members of the Black Liberation Army seized two guards as hostages and made a getaway in a prison van.

She is formally recognized by the United States government as a domestic terrorist, and since 2005, a \$1 million reward has been offered for her capture.

Cuban leader Fidel Castro in 2005 appeared to defend Shakur without naming her. But he referred to a political prisoner who was a victim of "the fierce repression against the Black movement in the United States".

She is the opposite of a political prisoner as she claims - she is a radical, a wanted terrorist and a murderer.

There are more than 70 American fugitives in Cuba ❖❖ a thaw in the nearly 50-year-old freeze between the United States and Cuba, without sanctions, is unacceptable.

New Mexico State Police Officer Bob Rosenbloom, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., served for a short time on the New Mexico State University Police Department and the Las Cruces Police Department before he joined the New Mexico State Police in 1965. He served in Las Cruces and Alamogordo before he was assigned to the Albuquerque State Police District.

On his way back to Albuquerque, sometime after 10:30 p.m., Rosenbloom stopped an east-bound 1972 Ford Galaxie four door sedan about eight miles west of Albuquerque. Shortly thereafter, a citizen called the dispatcher on Officer Rosenbloom's police radio and said the officer had been hurt. He requested an ambulance.

State Police Sgt. C. A. Hawkins arrived on the scene a few minutes later. He found Officer Rosenbloom lying face down, a single bullet wound to his throat. Officer Rosenbloom gripped his flashlight with one hand and his gun with the other. The weapon was just clear of the holster and had not been fired.

Near the car officers found luggage, three military rifles and a 12-gauge shotgun. They also found an abundance of revolutionary literature, bomb-making materials and hundreds of rounds of ammunition. Evidence indicated that the occupants of the car were members of a militant group called the Republic of New Africa; an organization that advocated the establishment of a Black nation in the Southern United States.

The three killers were identified as Charles Hill, Robert Goodwin, and Michael Finney. Finney, who

adopted the African name Mancha, is believed to have fired the shot that killed Officer Rosenbloom. Interviewed in Cuba, the killers said they were able to hideout with other members of the Republic of New Africa in Albuquerque. Then, for two days, they hid in the desert near the airport waiting for an opportunity to hijack an airplane.

The killers have remained free in Cuba for nearly 35 years. They are the opposite of political prisoners - they are radicals, wanted terrorists and murderers.

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