



DON'T PUNISH THE TRUTH TELLERS WHO EXPOSED THE WAR CRIMES COMMITTED IN OUR NAME

NYC Free Assange demands freedom for award-winning publisher and journalist Julian Assange and courageous whistleblower Chelsea Manning.

Julian Assange and Chelsea Manning are in prison while those who ordered the crimes, committed the crimes, and covered up the crimes, are walking free.

Assange has done nothing but publish truthful information about the criminal actions of our government that endanger us all—information given to him by Chelsea Manning.

For this “crime,” the US government is demanding the extradition of Assange, an Australian citizen, and is seeking to imprison him for 175 years. At the behest of the US, he is currently being held by the UK government in the harshest conditions in the Medical Ward of Belmarsh Prison. The US government has also imprisoned Julian’s source, Chelsea Manning, to try to force her to testify before a grand jury in the Eastern District of Virginia against Assange. Another imprisoned activist, Jeremy Hammond, has been called against his will to testify, likely to the same grand jury, under penalty of adding a year to his 10-year sentence originally scheduled to end within the year. He will refuse to testify. The US government is desperate to get Assange imprisoned.

We are here in support of Julian Assange because he, through WikiLeaks, has revealed truths, sometimes painful, about what has been done in our name by our government. If it weren’t for Julian Assange publishing the Collateral Murder video exposed by Chelsea Manning, the US government would have successfully covered-up war crimes committed in the Iraq War.

If this was all that Julian Assange accomplished, he should be honored for his great contribution to journalism rather than facing charges and an uncertain future.

Everything that WikiLeaks has published has been truthful and factual; no one disputes that. The US government seeks to punish Julian Assange and Chelsea Manning for exposing the crimes of the powerful and the corrupt for the world to see.

Julian Assange has revealed corrupt actions by governments around the world. Yet only one government, the United States, seeks to prosecute him. Julian Assange is a journalist and publisher. If the US government is successful in forcing his extradition to the US and sending him to prison for the rest of his life, it will have an immensely chilling affect on journalists throughout the world.

We must oppose the extradition and prosecution of Juian Assange. It is an attack on Freedom of Speech and the Press and on our ability to know about, protest, and prevent the destructive actions of our own government.

Free Julian Assange & Chelsea Manning! Fight the extradition of Julian Assange! Protect Freedom of the Press!