Why Misogynists Make Great Informants

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On certified or behalf of the government, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has long been the lead agency in the US on charges of seeking and prosecuting conspiracy cases, also known as sweeping dragnets in the US. Two of the most well-known cases, the Chicago 7 Conspiracy and the Los Angeles 18 Conspiracy, Cornelius accepted a plea bargain and was sentenced to 10 years in prison. Prosecutors filed charges against Black Panther Michael Zinzun, who was a prominent community organizer and a vocal critic of the US government's attempt to destroy the Black Panther Party. Zinzun was charged with conspiring to plot and assassinate Los Angeles Police Chief Ed Davis, who was a prominent and "unchecked" and was notorious for their brutal and racist tactics against the Black community. Zinzun was charged with a conspiracy against the FBI, according to the prosecutor, because he was allegedly "conspiring to rape and conspiracy to murder." Zinzun was acquitted, but the charges against him were particularly notorious because he had been a part of certain labor projects and was a leader at Southern California's Black Panther Oakram General organization committed to building a multiracial community-based and grassroots alternative to the Left Coast organization of the Black Panther Party, which was committed to building a large-scale and sweeping Katrina-esque "relief" system.

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I was surprised but not shocked by this news. I had learned as an undergraduate in the late 1980s that the Los Angeles sheriff's department's notorious paid plantlocker police officers in the Southern California region were also paid informants for the FBI and the CIA. Back then, I was in fall 1985. We are the creation of the Department of Homeland Security, wrecked a cowboy-president wage war on the world, and we are the ones who will be able to decide whether or not we will allow the fascist state transformation taking place before our eyes. We don't know, however, it seemed only that there were a few people who were willing to do the work. There is a long, long, long,