FBI and Justice Department 'Harassment'

The recent revelations of FBI harassment and terrorism directed at black nationalists are fully as hair-raising as the "Watergate" crimes. The FBI has no more legal authority to harass citizens than the White House. Will the guilty people be brought to justice? Where were Attorneys Gen-eral Kennedy and Clark on all this? Ignorant of what was going on, or thinking it was cute as long as it was kept quiet? Where were the congressional committees? Ignorant, blackmailed into silence, or parties to the conspiracy? Where is the moral outrage we should expect from the "representatives of the people" if we are to have a semblance of law and order in our society? How can citizens have even a modicum of trust and respect for their government when the elected officials of both branches treat the power of their offices as something to be sold to the highest bidders, and the venerable FBI takes the law into its own hands, and how can we remain

a civilized society without such respect? Something has gone very seriously wrong in this country, and time is running out for getting it back on the constitutional tracks.

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Kudos to Jack Anderson's Washington Post column of March 20 for bringing to the public's attention the Justice Department impoundment case against William Kovacs, legislative assistant to Rep. Fred Rooney This latest vendetta on the part of Justice is, in a word: disgusting.

More appalling is to read of a Justice attorney speak of the nation's laws as "the goddamn statutes" feeling he is "not responsible" for what the law says!

The Kovacs case reeks of cloak and dagger tactics such as one would find utilized by Kremlin KGB units and not the U.S. Justice Department.

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