

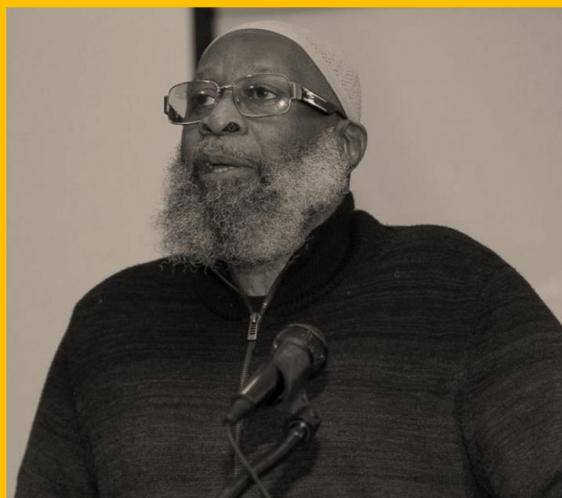
Sekou Abdullah Odinga was inspired by Malcolm X when, in 1965, he joined the Organization of Afro-American Unity. He was a founder of the New York chapter of the Black Panther Party. Persecuted as a member of the *Panther 21* and the Black Liberation Army, Odinga spent thirty-three years behind bars as a U.S. held political prisoner of war. In 2009, Sekou reached his mandatory release date for his federal conviction in connection to the liberation of Assata Shakur – living in exile in Cuba – and was “paroled” to the New York State prison system. After five years, he was released on parole on November 25th, 2014 from the New York State sentence. Since his release he has fought for justice and for the release of all political prisoners.

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With special guest **Matt Meyer**, a native New York City-based educator, activist, and author. Meyer is the War Resisters International Africa Support Network Coordinator, and United Nations/ECOSOC representative of the International Peace Research Association. The founding chair of Peace and Justice Studies and former Chair of the Consortium on Peace Research, Education and Development, he has long worked to bring together academics and activists for social change.

