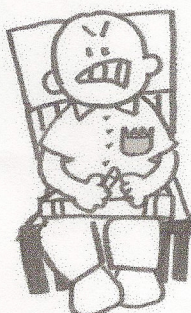


1. A police officer observes "something suspicious" and fills out a S.A.R. - Suspicious Activity Report. Under Special Order 1 this means reporting on non-criminal activities such as taking a picture of a building, drawing or painting a landmark, drawing diagrams or taking notes in public, using binoculars, or inquiring about a building's hours of operation.

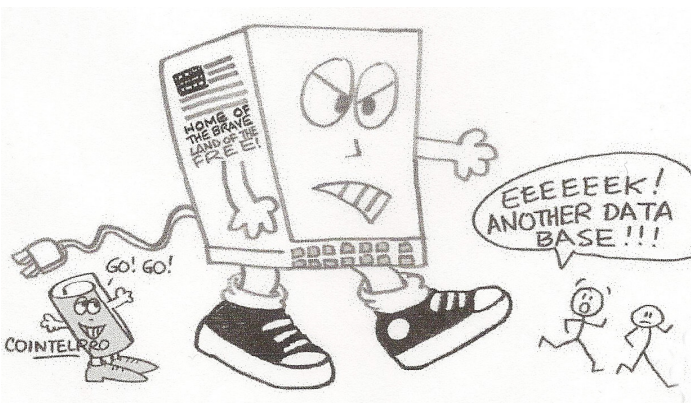


2. All S.A.R.s are sent to the Counter Terrorism and Criminal Intelligence Bureau (CTCIB) of the LAPD's Major Crimes Division (MCD).



3. The S.A.R.s' information is often shared with the Joint Regional Information Center also known as the **Fusion Center**.

4. The S.A.R.s' information can then be uploaded onto the **Information Sharing Environment (ISE)** a National Database.



## GET INVOLVED!

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### Stop LAPD Spying Coalition Goals

Advance public participation and dialogue on police spying and surveillance, demystify their tactics and help people relate to them personally.

Expose policies like SO1 and iWATCH and build a diverse grassroots campaign to rescind these policies, going beyond the framework of legal/constitutional challenges to build public awareness, participation, mobilization and action.

Sustain longterm movement building that is intersectional to the core on issues, experiences, demographics and resources!

**WILL WE SLEEP  
OR  
WILL WE FIGHT?**

## STOP LAPD SPYING!



### SECRET FILES, SURVEILLANCE, SPYING & INFILTRATION

LAPD SPECIAL ORDER [SO] 1,  
THE iWATCH PROGRAM  
& INTELLIGENCE GATHERING  
GUIDELINES  
CRIMINALIZE INNOCENT  
BEHAVIOR,  
BREAKDOWN TRUST,  
PROVOKE VIOLENCE  
& PLANT INFORMANTS

# WHAT IS SPECIAL ORDER 1?

**SO1** is a policy directive by Los Angeles Police Department Chief Charlie Beck that authorizes LAPD officers to file Suspicious Activity Reports (**SARs**) on observed or reported activity and information, based upon what is termed "observed behavior"; a completely speculative and arbitrary concept. In practice SO 1 infringes on privacy and civil liberties, and essentially legitimizes spying by local law enforcement and promotes racial profiling.

**LAPD** is the leading law enforcement agency in the area that uses various tactics to spy on and surveil Angelenos.

Besides surveillance cameras, undercover surveillance, informants and more, the LAPD has also opened thousands of secret files under Suspicious Activity Reporting Programs, sending them to **Fusion Centers**, where local and federal agencies work together to compile all available data about your life.

Since March 2008, under the LAPD Chief's **Special Order 1**, officers have filed hundreds of SARs on non-criminal activity such as:

## TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS



## USING VIDEO CAMERAS

## TAKING NOTES



## USING BINOCULARS



## INQUIRING ABOUT BUSINESS HOURS

## IN OCTOBER 2009 LAPD LAUNCHED THE "See Something, Say Something." **iWATCH PROGRAM**

INCITING COMMUNITY AND  
NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT IN  
REPORTING "SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY" TO  
LAPD LEADING TO SARs BEING OPENED.  
IN EFFECT RECRUITING COMMUNITY  
INFORMANTS TO SNITCH ON OTHERS!



On September 25th, 2012 the LAPD Police Commission approved new guidelines for **intelligence gathering on political groups** and others engaged in social justice work. LAPD can place informants at an organization

for 180 days based on just an anonymous tip. No reasonable suspicion needed. Furthermore LAPD officers can take on fictitious personas for online investigations such as **Facebook** and other web based and social media tools.

# WHAT IS A FUSION CENTER?

All SARs are sent to LAPD Counter Terrorism and Special Operations Bureau/ Major Crimes Division (MCD).

The SARs information is then shared with the **Joint Regional Information Center** also known as the Fusion Center.

Fusion Centers are mega spy centers that collect and store information supplied by various law enforcement agencies and made available to every local, state, and federal agency including private contractors.

There are approximately 77 fusion centers in the United States.

# WHY SHOULD I BE CONCERNED ABOUT SO1?

**Special Order 1 systematically invades our privacy.**

**SO1's** fundamental premise is that each and every person is a potential suspect and completely contradicts the long held article - *innocent until proven guilty* and turns it into **guilty until proven innocent**.

**SO1** and **iWATCH** create a culture of suspicion and paranoia creating a potential for violence against those considered "suspicious".

**SO1** encourages neighbors and others to report "suspicious activity" -- creating a "snitch culture" in our communities.

**SO1** uses innocent actions protected by civil rights to open secret files that the community has no access to.

**SO1** and **iWATCH** puts unprecedented power into the hands of LAPD despite its long history of racism and violence against the community.

**SO1** and **iWATCH** create policing based upon hunch and manipulable concepts of "reasonable indication" and "observed behavior."

**SO1** wastes precious public resources at a time of economic crisis when critical services are being cut back and homelessness on the rise.

# WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT IT?

Read about SO1 and Fusion Centers Nation wide on **stoplapdspying.org**

Research! Go to your local library and read about past police abuse and government surveillance programs like COINTELPRO or the Red Squads!