

1: Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation - Wikipedia

This book details the atrocities of the school's graduates--the massacre of 6 Jesuit priests in El Salvador, the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero, the rape and murder of 4 US churchwomen, just to name a few--and explains the motives of SOA Watch, the organization aimed at closing the school down.

The neutrality of this section is disputed. Relevant discussion may be found on the talk page. Please do not remove this message until conditions to do so are met. November Learn how and when to remove this template message Authorized by the United States Congress through 10 U. Its educational format incorporates guest lecturers and experts from sectors of US and international government, non-government, human rights, law enforcement, academic institutions, and interagency departments [33] to share best practices in pursuit of improved security cooperation between all nations of the Western Hemisphere. The law called for a federal advisory committee—the Board of Visitors BoV —to maintain independent review, observation, and recommendations regarding operations of the institute. Northern Command, the U. These six members include representatives from the human rights, religious, academic, and business communities. The board reviews and advises on areas such as curriculum, academic instruction, and fiscal affairs of the institute. Their reviews ensure relevance and consistency with US policy, laws, regulations, and doctrine. Members of the Board are not compensated by reason of service on the Board. Board of Visitors[edit] As of August , Board members include: Mac Thornberry , or his designee; Rep. Austin Scott [Ga-8] is the current designee. Adam Smith, or his designee. Army Training and Doctrine Command, Gen. Ret Carmen Martinez , United States diplomat and career foreign service officer. She served as the U. Ambassador to Zambia from to The institute itself explicitly denies accusations of teaching torture: What about the accusations that the School teaches torture and murder? The School teaches U. Army doctrine which is based on over years of success, and includes a variety of military subjects, none of which include criminal misconduct. In , the demonstration drew 19, people. The protests are timed to coincide with the anniversary of the assassination of six Jesuit priests in El Salvador on November by graduates of the School of the Americas. Army School of the Americas is a school that has run more dictators than any other school in the history of the world. School of the Americas Watch said in a statement that it matched the names of those in the scandal with its database of attendees at the institute. Alberto Quijano attended courses and was an instructor who taught classes on peacekeeping operations and democratic sustainment at the school from to Both of them were found to have been students of " Psychological Operations " courses at SOA in and respectively.

2: Inside the dark legacy of the US 'School of Assassins' â€” RT US News

"School Of The Americas" - (School For Training Assassins).

School of Assassins "Here is the School of the Americas. Most of the courses revolve around what they call "counter-insurgency warfare. They are the poor. They are the people in Latin America who call for reform. They are the landless peasants who are hungry. They are health care workers, human rights advocates, labor organizers. They become the insurgents. They are seen as "the enemy. Maryknoll World Productions School of Assassins Maryknoll World Productions In the late afternoon of December 4, , an unmarked grave was found in a field in El Salvador. When it was opened in the presence of the U. Of the five officers later found responsible for the rape and murder of these women, three were graduates of the United States Army School of the Americas. The School of the Americas originated in Panama. Now, it is located on the grounds of Fort Benning, Georgia. The school teaches commando operations, sniper training, how to fire an M, and psychological warfare. Since no major declared war between Latin American countries has occurred in decades and the communist threat has vanished, why provide this kind of training? If you look at the course ranges that are offered to these individuals, they in fact are a dedicated way of teaching military leaders in foreign nations how to subvert their local communities. Since it opened, more than 55, military officials from 23 Latin American and Caribbean countries have trained at the school. About 2, students a year. As facts have emerged about the school and its graduates, it has drawn the attention of a growing number of human rights activists, such as Maryknoll Father Roy Bourgeois. Maryknoll Father Roy Bourgeois: Just down the road here is the School of the Americas. What has been learned about the lessons taught at the school? In the s, the civil war in El Salvador became a focal point for human rights activists throughout the world. Death squads operated freely, often killing 50 people a night. There were so many cases that on March 23, , Archbishop Oscar Romero in San Salvador made a plea to the military leaders of his country. I would like to make an appeal in a special way to the men of the army. In the name of God, in the name of the suffering people whose laments rise to the heaven each day more tumultuous, I ask you, I order you in the name of God, stop the repression. While celebrating mass the next day, Archbishop Romero was assassinated. Woman working at the National Security Archives: These two cables are both from the American Embassy in El Salvador. During the meeting, there is described a lottery that the people who are attending the meeting hold to see who would draw the "right" to kill Romero himself. Also trained at the school were two of the three officers directly responsible for the assassination. El Mazote, a small village in El Salvador Rufina Amaya survivor of the El Mazote massacre: First, they forced everyone out of their houses and made us all lie face down in the street, both men and women. There were soldiers on both sides. Then, they moved away to see the women kneeling down on the ground to pray. They killed all of them. Not a single one of them survived, just me by the grace of God. I hid under a tree. Over men, women, and children were massacred. Virtually the entire population of the village and the area surrounding El Mazote. Out of bodies identified in the laboratory, were of children under the age of 12, including three infants under the age of three months. Ten of the 12 officers cited as responsible for the El Mazote massacre were graduates of the School of the Americas. Six Jesuit priests, their housekeeper, and her year-old daughter were slaughtered. To get the facts about this incident, a U. Congressional Investigation began, led by Representative Joseph Mokely. I went down [to El Salvador]. I talked with the Embassy, talked with the military, talked with the unionists. And we gathered enough information that we pushed the investigation to the degree that it was concluded and the people who perpetrated the crime were found guilty. The killing was done by the Atlacatl Battalion which is the crack [best] battalion in that country. And these are the people, some of them had just returned from the United States, where they were taught a course on "human rights" amongst other things. Nineteen of the 26 officers implicated in the Jesuit murders were graduates of the school, including Yushi Renee Mendoza, the lieutenant in charge of the squad that killed the Jesuits and the two women. He attended a commando course a year before the massacre took place. The Truth Commission to the U. The United Nations Truth Commission Report released on March 15, , cited specific officers for committing atrocities during the El Salvador civil war. Report with names in a United States Government

document. What I did was I took these officers, all the officers listed in the report and I looked them up in list of graduates of the School of the Americas which we received through the Freedom of Information Act. What I found were 49 of the some officers listed were graduates of the School of the Americas. These officers attended the school both before and after they committed atrocities. In the entry area of one of its main buildings are photographs of those the school honors, its so-called Hall of Fame. At the top of the list, Hugo Banzer, former dictator of Bolivia, a graduate of the school. Some of the others similarly honored are the former dictators of Honduras, Ecuador, and Argentina. And generals from eight other Latin and Caribbean nations, many cited by human rights groups for involvement in human rights abuses in their own countries. Among other graduates, Manuel Noriega, former president of Panama, currently in prison in the United States. Four of the five ranking Honduran officers who organized death squads in the s as part of Battalion , are graduates. Half of the Columbian officers cited for human rights abuses attended the school. The three highest ranking Peruvian officers convicted in February of murdering nine university students and a professor were all graduates. Also, the Peruvian army commander who brought out tanks to obstruct initial investigation of the murders. During the dictatorship of the Somoza family [in Nicaragua], over 4, National Guard troops graduated from the school. Many of them later became known as the "Contras," responsible for the deaths of thousands of Nicaraguan peasants in the s. During that internal conflict in the lates and earlys, an estimated 30, people were tortured, disappeared, and murdered. Human rights groups claim he is the architect of strategies that legalized military atrocities in Guatemala resulting in the death of over , men, women, and children. As a Catholic priest, as a U. This does not lead to healing, it leads to death and suffering. In a way, this is a death machine. This is not in South Africa. On September 30, , the School of the Americas was debated by Congress for the first time in its history. It happened when an amendment to the Defense Department budget was introduced by Congressman Joseph Kennedy. The intent of this amendment is to close the school. Why should we continue to fund and condone military-inspired murder? Why should we continue to train thugs to kill their own people? Vote for the Kennedy Amendment Susan Sarandon: That means that if people around the country hear about this and write their congressman, we can win. This is an issue that we can win on. Bishop Romero said it best before he was assassinated by someone who trained at the School of the Americas. He said, "We who have a voice, we have to speak for the voiceless. We can speak without having to worry about being disappeared or tortured or being picked by [by the police or military]. We can speak, and I just hope that we can speak clearly and boldly on this issue. In April , a group of human rights activists from around the country began a day fast on the steps of the U. They were there to make their case for shutting down the School of the Americas. The day before the fast ended, Congressman Kennedy joined them in a press conference. The so-called Hall of Fame in Georgia is nothing more than a Hall of Shame for the people of our country. We, as a nation and as a people have a right and an obligation to say what we believe in in terms of how our dollars are going to be spent. What we are saying unequivocally is that we do not want to be associated with the kinds of individuals that are torturing, maiming, and killing innocent people throughout Latin America. Unidentified El Salvadoran woman: It would be better to help the poor who are in need.

3: School of the Americas Assassins () - IMDb

With a documentary, SCHOOL OF ASSASSINS, and an interview with a person from a Guatemalan support group we show how the Army's school at Ft. Benning, Georgia, has been training Latin American.

They look upon priests, social workers, journalists, and liberal intellectuals, not as assets to their societies, but as dangerous subversives, working to undermine the system that keeps these soldiers, army officers, and their sponsors in power. Graduates of the SOA have been among the most repressive tyrants in Latin America, and their actions have been some of the most cruel and violent. In El Salvador, in 1980, a Salvadoran army patrol executed six Jesuit priests as they lay face-down on the ground at Central America University. Three-quarters of the Salvadoran officers implicated in the killing were trained at the SOA. He also participated in numerous murders, including a massacre in the village of El Mazote, where more than men, women, and children were killed. He graduated from SOA as well. Leopoldo Galtieri, the former head of the Argentina junta defeated in the Falklands War, was responsible for thousands of "disappeared" citizens who supported freedom and democracy in Argentina, and paid the ultimate price with their lives. He was an SOA graduate. In Peru, the most senior officers convicted of the February murder of nine university students and a professor, were graduates of the SOA. In Columbia, a human rights tribunal cited officers for crimes against the people of Columbia. He is now in a US prison, convicted of trafficking in drugs. In Guatemala, a country of 10 million, the indigenous Mayan population of 6 million have endured the greatest suffering in Latin America. During more than 30 years of civil war, tens-of-thousands have been slaughtered, with the total killed estimated to exceed 200,000. Most of the ranking generals involved in the numerous coups and acts of terror and murder during this period were trained at the SOA. In the 1960s and early 1970s, in Guatemala, thousands of political activists and opponents of government policies were assassinated. He graduated from the SOA. General, dictator, and a former president from El Salvador, Rios Montt was proud of his political philosophy of "beans for the obedient; bullets for the rest". He was also a graduate of the SOA. Armed with sophisticated training, modern weapons, and up-to-date techniques of control and surveillance, graduates of the SOA have terrorized their own countrymen for a generation. In the name of its citizens and using American taxpayer dollars, the United States, the most-democratic of countries, has for decades been training some of the most anti-democratic leaders in the world. Administrations that have decried terrorism abroad, have encouraged terrorists right here at home -- at the SOA. Our country, for generations, a beacon of liberty and democracy to the world, should play no part in subverting democracy and killing hope in other countries. It is time for all of us to demand that the School of the Americas be closed. What you can do Call, fax, or write the President, and your Senators and Representative. Ask them to end funding for the SOA and stop training terrorists and murderers in America. This bill would close the School of the Americas and establish in its place an Academy for Democracy and Civil-Military Relations, to identify the proper role of the military in a democratic society and bring about civilian control over military matters in Latin America. But, he cannot do it alone. He needs the support of all Americans who abhor the training of terrorists and murderers in this country.

4: Father Roy: Inside the School of Assassins () - IMDb

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5: School of the Americas: School of Assassins

School of the Assassins was inspired by my sister's boyfriend over twenty years www.enganchecubano.com was an ex-mercenary from South Africa, and I knew that someday I would write a novel based on his character.

6: School of Americas

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7: School of Assassins: Guns, Greed, and Globalization by Jack Nelson-Pallmeyer

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8: School of the Americas Watch " Memoria y Resistencia: Close the School of the Americas!

The struggle by a Vietnam war hero turned priest, to find and reveal the truth about secret CIA torture training at a US military base, narrated by Susan Sarandon.

9: Anti-Flag - The School Of Assassins Lyrics | MetroLyrics

School of the Americas Assassins is a American short documentary film about human rights abuses by graduates of School of the www.enganchecubano.com ed by Robert Richter, it was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Documentary Short.

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