## ALBA HUMAN RIGHTS DUCUMENTARY FILM FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 29 – OCTOBER 1, 2014 NEW YORK CITY

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## Monday, September 29

**4:00 PM Vencidxs** / Spain [2013]

Directed by Aitor Fernández Running time: 102 min

Through personal testimonies, *Vencidxs* (Defeated) documents the story of over 100 people who lived during the Second Spanish Republic, the Spanish Civil War and subsequent repression by the Francoist dictatorship. *Vencidxs* is an exhaustive investigation on the recovery of a country's historical memory.

**6:00 PM** double feature Discussion to Follow

**Bolivar Twilight** / Colombia

[2014]

Director: Juan Márquez Running Time: 40 min A Quiet Inquisition / United

States [2014]

Directors: Alessandra Zekka & Holen

Sabrina Kahn

Running Time: 65 min

**Bolivar Twilight** gives voice to gold miners in Colombia faced with the critical situation created by the arrival of government-endorsed international mining corporations.

In 2006, the newly elected government of Daniel Ortega in Nicaragua overturned a 130-year-old law protecting therapeutic abortion. *A Quiet Inquisition* documents the harrowing implications of this action against the backdrop of a political, religious and historically complex national identity. As the stakes rise, one doctor's outrage transforms into willingness to act boldly in the face of the new situation.

8:00 PM double feature

Cotton Dreams / Poland [2014]

Director: Sandeep Balhara Running Time: 15 min Freedom From Choice /

Australia [2014] Director: Tim Delmastro Running Time: 90 min

Through one family's story, *Cotton Dreams* delves into the human cost of biotechnology and how it is affecting rural Indian communities.

Life is about choice. What we eat, what we read, who we elect; every day we make choices that determine how we want to live. Presented in an entertaining style, *Freedom From Choice* is a film not about the choices we make, but rather the choices that are being made for us.

## **Tuesday, September 30**

**4:00 PM** double feature

**Red Father** / United States [2014] Director: Tova Beck-Friedman

Running Time: 56 min

You're the Enemy – Welcome Back! / United Kingdom [2014]

Director: Pankaja Brooke Running Time: 45 min

**Red Father** examines the life of attorney and Lincoln veteran Bernard Ades from the perspective of his daughter Naava.

**You're the Enemy – Welcome Back!** is a story of healing and reparations as a group of Vietnam veterans return to the land of their former enemy.

6:00 PM Invisible Heroes: African Americans in the Spanish Civil War /

Discussion to Follow Spain/United States [2014]

Director: Alfonso Domingo & Jordi Torrent

Running Time: 90 min

**Invisible Heroes** tells the story of the 85 African Americans who in 1936 joined the International Brigades in support of the Spanish Republic. This is their story, an untold chapter in the history of both the United States and Spain. The adventures of unsung heroes who answered the call of a distant war to fight for their own freedom.

**8:00 PM** double feature Resolute / Canada [2014] The Second Cooler / United States

Director: Daniel Roher [2013]

Running Time: 22 min Director: Ellin Jimmerson Running Time: 80 min

**Resolute** recounts one of the most grievous human rights violations in Canadian history, the devastating effects of forced relocation for the aboriginal people of Resolute Bay. Through interviews, archival footage and experimental animation, *Resolute* tells a story familiar to thousands of indigenous families in Canada and elsewhere.

Narrated by Martin Sheen, *The Second Cooler* is a migrant-justice documentary which offers insight into who benefits from illegal immigration while bringing major systemic issues into focus.

## Wednesday, October 1

**4:30 PM** double feature High Hopes / Palestine [2014] Bastards: Outcast in Morocco /

Director: Guy Davidi Morocco [2014]
Running Time: 15 min Director: Deborah Perkin
Running Time: 83 min

**High Hopes** recounts the forced displacement of Bedouin refugees living under Israeli occupation and their relocation to a garbage dump.

**Bastards** is a poignant documentary about one woman's struggle to have her sham marriage recognized and her daughter legitimized by the Moroccan judicial system. A compelling portrait of Moroccan society and its attitudes toward women, female sexuality, their position in society and access to education.

6:30 PM 1971 / United States [2014]
Discussion & Director: Johanna Hamilton
Reception to Follow
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In **1971**, eight ordinary citizens broke into an FBI office in Pennsylvania. Calling themselves the Citizens' Commission to Investigate the FBI, they removed every file in the office. Mailed anonymously, the stolen documents started to show up in newsrooms. The most significant revelation was COINTELPRO, an illegal secret surveillance program overseen by Bureau director J. Edgar Hoover. Despite one of the largest investigations ever conducted, the FBI was unable to catch the burglars. *1971* examines the consequences and implications of the burglar's actions - then and now.