Imagine the situation of an activist who has agreed to testify against her former comrades. All the experiences that made her an anarchist, from childhood on, come back to haunt her as she betrays her own values and commitments, siding with the bullies, the rapists, the snide executives and sadistic police. Whatever tremendous feats she has accomplished, whatever personal qualities she took pride in, now she will be remembered as an informant and must live with the knowledge that she is one.

Don’t talk to police or the FBI. No matter what, it can never help you. They wouldn’t ask you in the first place if they didn’t need your help to ruin your life and the lives of others. REMEMBER: “I am going to remain silent. I would like to speak with an attorney.”

FREEDOM AND SAFETY ARE FACTORS UNDER OUR CONTROL, not external circumstances. Freedom is not a matter of how many fences happen to be around you, but of following the dictates of your conscience no matter what. Safety is not the condition of being temporarily outside the grasp of your enemies, but of trusting yourself enough to know that your friends will never come to harm because of you, that you will never become something you despise.