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On this day in history three years ago, ICE detained immigrant rights leader #RaviRagbir, and police arrested community members protesting this injustice. A reminder that when people stand up for immigrant rights, they are not treated with kid gloves. 1/

Ravi Ragbir, Jean Montrevil, and @NewSanctuaryNYC stood up against cruel and inhumane deportation policies. For that, they were surveilled, arrested, detained, and transferred to an immigration prison in FL in January 2018. 2/ https://t.co/hvVuRl9Zy1

Jean, co-founder of @NewSanctuaryNYC and congregant of @judsonchurchnyc was deported to Haiti on Jan.16, 2018, after coming to the U.S. as lawful permanent resident more than 30 years ago. ICE's actions separated him from his four U.S. citizen children. 3/ https://t.co/kmO3YCcT6O

ICE continues to pursue Ravi's deportation (as recently as this Friday the government filed papers to try to get rid of the federal lawsuit staying Ravi's deportation). Ravi continues to fight for his freedom and stand up for immigrant rights. 4/ https://t.co/qtkUgvSoB2

Ravi and Jean were not the only ones targeted for speaking out. 18 community members, including NYC elected leaders @JumaaneWilliams and @ydanis, were arrested during the protest against ICE's actions that occurred 3 years ago today. 5/ https://t.co/wW6Kt7PwMn

Retaliation against immigrant rights defenders is widespread. We've documented more than one thousand instances of retaliation by federal agencies - surveillance, arrests, fines, detention, transfers, deportation, criminal prosecution, and more. 6/ https://t.co/wsEwhwRb2X

This week we're bringing these issues to Congress through a virtual briefing. Join us at https://t.co/3bVBakWD1G. 7/



We're also joining @judsonchurchnyc to support a month of action for Jean Montrevil. Learn more and take action at https://t.co/xw2KIHXRYT 7/

And to join our ongoing fight to keep Ravi here, visit https://t.co/y3J88bFkTX 8/

And on this day, I wanted to share my personal gratitude and love for all the people who stood up for immigrant justice on Jan. 11, 2018... Ravi, Amy Gottlieb, Ravi's Defense Committee, Jean, Jani Cauthen, @NewSanctuaryNYC, and so many more. #YouCantDeportAMovement /9