

# University graduate fights deportation

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A 1981 University graduate is facing deportation under the McCarthy-era McCarran-Walter Act, and his fight to remain in the United States is gaining the attention and the support of newspapers and well-known personalities.

Khader Hamide is traveling around the country spreading a message that the McCarran-Walter Act is a threat to the First Amendment rights of every individual. He will be speaking at the Temple Beth Israel tonight at 7:30.

Hamide, a Palestinian and a permanent resident of the United States, was arrested on January 26, 1987 in Los Angeles by members of the FBI, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and Los Angeles police.

Also arrested were Hamide's wife, who is a Kenyan citizen, and five other Palestinians. On February 15 another Palestinian was arrested.

The government claims those arrested are a threat to national security and is trying to deport them under the McCarran-Walter Act, which makes affiliation with an organization that advocates worldwide communism a deportable offense.

Hamide was arrested for possession of a magazine, he said. All the Palestinians were arrested under the same charge.

On May 8 the eight went to trial, and on May 11 the judge dismissed the case because of

insignificant participation on the part of the government, Hamide said.

"She dismissed the case because the government refused to bring to court the man who signed the arrest warrant," Hamide said. "He gave no reason for not attending, he just said he is not coming."

The day after the case was dismissed the government issued new arrest warrants for the eight people, and another court date has been set for June 26.

"The government selected us on the basis of our nationality and our opinions about the Middle East," he said. "We advocate, as Palestinians, that we would like to see Palestinian rights achieved for the homeland and the Palestinian state," he said.

"The INS are insisting that we are a national security threat and that we should not be let out on bail, and that all the evidence against us should be presented in secret and not in public," he said.

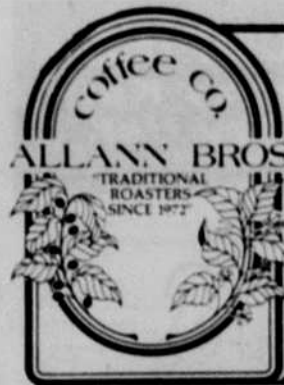
Through this case, Hamide said, the U.S. government is trying to set a precedent regarding deportation, first within the Arab community and then within other communities.

The McCarran-Walter Act also limits freedom of speech and dictates who can and can't practice the rights guaranteed by the First Amendment, he said.

"They thought we were an

isolated community and too weak to support ourselves," he said, adding that Palestinians are often portrayed as the enemy in the media.

However, the eight people on trial are receiving support from congressmen, attorneys, church members, professors, authors, and various associations within the United States, he said. Editorials in their favor have been written by papers such as the New York Times, the Los Angeles Times and the Boston Globe.



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Shackleton, Chase, Cameron, and Brooks all expressed confidence in the stability Prudential will provide.

"(This plan) will allow us to stay with one company for more than one year," Shackleton

said, and added the University has had one or two different insurance companies in each of the four years he's been here. He said it was important for the ASUO to develop a good relationship with one company.

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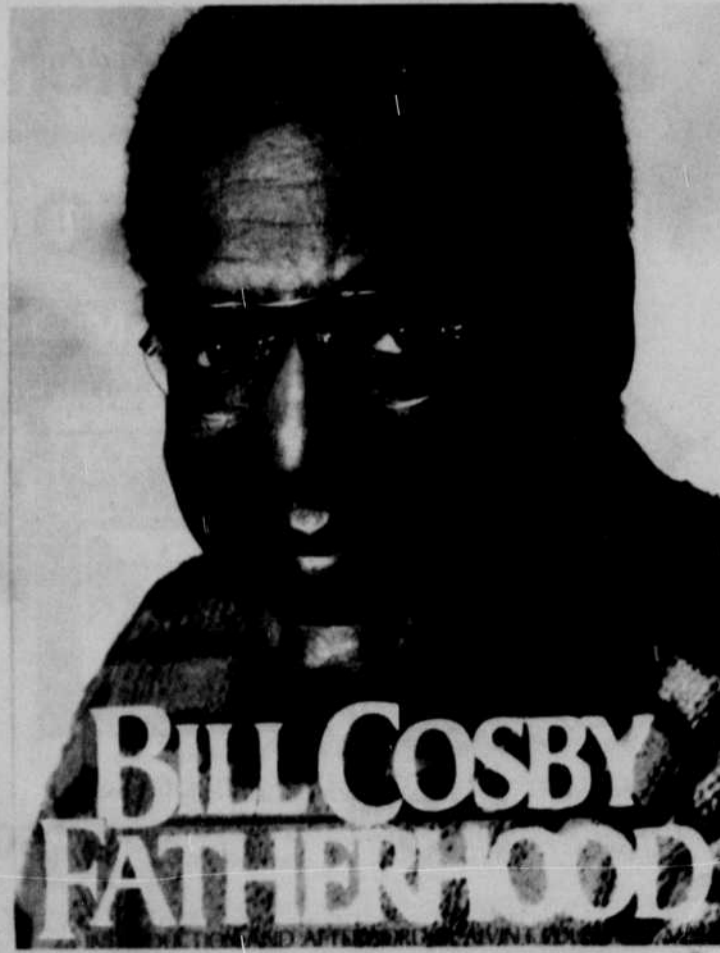
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