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Las Vegas: Pigs on the Run

The West Side of Las Vegas, Nevada, has long been a “forgotten” area of the city. Only a few miles from the lavish hotels and casinos of “The Strip,” the Black neighborhoods of West Side are haunted by poverty and oppression. On its description of the area, it is “25 blocks beset of commerce and marked by rows of identical, low-along, cement-block housing projects, which give it the uniform look of a military base.” As in other ghettos and barrios of America, cops regularly harass and beat people. Two years ago, a Black casino dealer was choked to death by three Las Vegas police officers. They later acquired the pigs of murder charges last year.

Inferior anger at the situation had been building up in West Side. When the Rodney King verdict came out, that rage exploded. The people of West Side wrote a defiant manifesto in flames.

According to witnesses quoted in the Las Vegas Review-Journal, it was when the police began harassing a crowd which had gathered on April 29 to protest the verdict. The cops arrested two youths and forced them into patrol cars. The people saw the cops mace the youth and rough them up. That night, and for several nights afterward, over 50 fires broke out. The state parole and probation office and the police substation at the Gerson Park housing project were among the buildings burned down. Pigs came under gunfire—one was shot and patrol cars were hit by many bullets.

The freaked-out city government ordered the National Guard to surround the area and block all traffic. When there was an outrage over this order, the mayor extended the curfew to the whole city and asked the 400 National Guard troops to be ready on standby.

For a few hours, the police were driven out of the West Side. The city official was desperate to stop the rebellion from spreading beyond West Side and into the downtown and tourist district. As groups of youth headed toward the hotel/casino area, the police frantically set up barricades. The police said that officers saw “truckloads of gang members” with Molotov cocktails, clubs of concrete and guns. A police lieutenant said, “It’s too horrible to consider. If we had not turned them back, it would have been a repeat of Los Angeles.”

In another clash on May 15, an angry crowd of 1,000 confronted three armed police vehicles, which were hit by more than 50 rounds of ammunition. Hundreds of people were arrested so far in fights with police and on charges like arson. The cops are under orders to break up any gathering of more than ten people. A Black police official said that there are many complaints of people being pulled over, detained and accused of being gang members. All this police repression is only fueling more anger among broader sections of the people.

Las Vegas Apartheid

In the 1930s Black people came to the Las Vegas area as workers in the construction of Hoover Dam and in the emerging hotel/tourist business. For generations, the apartheid setup in Las Vegas kept Black people from living anywhere else but the West Side. The city was known among Black people as the “Mississippi of the West.”

During the “gambling boom” of the 1960s, more African-Americans came to Las Vegas as part of the flow of people seeking jobs in the hotels and casinos. Today, the number of Black people living in other neighborhoods is reportedly greater than the number on the West Side. But racism is still rampant in Las Vegas. And the West Side remains a concentration of poverty and oppression. One young man told the Las Vegas Review-Journal, “There’s nothing to do here. They closed our boy’s club and opened a substation and probation office. If you want something to do you got to commit a crime.” Both the substation and the probation office went up in flames during the rebellion.

A Manifesto by the Oppressed

As in Los Angeles, the powers in Las Vegas have tried to attack the rebellion by claiming that the people “did not accomplish anything”—that all they did was destroy their own neighborhoods. So-called “community leaders” are also crying over how the rebellion has “set us back.” But the truth is that the powerful actions by the people in West Side has been an eloquent, forceful statement by those who are usually shut out of the system’s TVs and newspapers.

Even the liberal ruling class newspaper the New York Times had to admit in a May 25 article: “If any place in America could lend hope to the jobless of its inner city, it seemed to be Las Vegas, which led the nation in job and population growth through the decade [1980s]. But as casinos and the sun-burned hordes of new subdivisions sprang up on every edge of the city, the poor, overwhelmedly Black neighborhoods a few miles from The Strip remained mired in decay and hopelessness.

For most Las Vegans, it was a forgotten world—until the gunshots and fires erupted. With their righteous rebellion, the oppressed in West Side forced everybody to listen to their voices.
Bushwick: Police Murder

Since the righteous rebellions in L.A. the powers-that-be in New York have been notified that the people will rise against them and have taken many steps to prevent this from happening. A key part of this has been the theme “increase the peace” put forward by Mayor Dinkins. But as the FW last week, when the powers say “increase the peace” what they really mean is “increase the POLICE” and bringing down mon terror on the people. The brutal reality of this has been made clear as once again the blood of the people has been shed by the police, who have murdered three Latino brothers in the blood in the past two weeks. And after the second murder, the powers’ worst nightmares came true as the people refused to tolerate this atrocity and rigorously rebelled against these murders.

The People Speak Out:

A few days after the rebellion in Bushwick, an FW reporter went out to the neighborhood and talked with some of the people there.

A brolher with a wooden leg stepped into the car and I couldn't fit the way they did. The pigs tried to stop the march by pulling their cars in to block the street. The main enforcers of this way of life, the police, are bitterly hated by the people. "Sometimes you can't even walk with your hands in your pockets because you don't know if they're going to take your gun. The kid was taking his gun out of his pocket. They shot him down. Right through his forehead. And when they checked him out and everything, all he had on him was a pen."

The first thing you notice when you enter Bushwick is the grinding poverty. Dinkins and most of the powers that-be can talk about “increasing the peace,” but for the proletariat life under this system every day is a living hell. Bushwick is a concentrated example of this. It is one of the poorest neighborhoods in Brooklyn. Many of the houses and apartment buildings are not fit for people to live in. Conditions in those buildings have been made, so people are living in structures that are dangerous, inflicted burdens, and abandoned homes.

The majority of the people who live here are Puerto Rican. There is also a growing number of recent immigrants from Central America. Many youths have no chance of ever getting a job. Those who do work for the lowest wages and have barely enough to live on. In the neighborhood alone in the past two years at least five people have died in gun battles. Many of the murders have been shot and witnessed. Others have died in shootings between the people and police. The police are a constant threat on the system forces on the people. Shooting runits in memory of the dead brothers and sisters, most of them youths, have been painted on almost every block.

The message of the conditions the people's spirit and hopes have not been crushed. Puerto Rican flags were everywhere, echoing the feeling in the chant the youth raised in the rebellion: "In memory of the dead brothers and the rest of the powers-lhat-be can talk about “increasing the peace,” but for the pigs, who are always around. A sister said: "Sometimes we're out talking to each other, just being our own people. They throw you out of the car or throw yourself on the floor or push yourselves on the wall for no reason. Right now my cousin is in jail. Why? Because he was playing with his sister. They said he had drugs. They put him as if he was start making a sale. He didn’t have no drugs on him that day. He didn’t have nothing. So they want to give him three to nine years. And set $150 bail."

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A brother with a wooden leg stepped into the hallway to tell his story: "About two weeks ago two officers were having an argument with this guy on Madison. A friend of mine went down there with his wife and he wanted to find out what was going on. He just went there to make sure they don’t hit him. And he asked the officers are you going to arrest him? What’s going on? And the officer said this is one of your businesses, get away from here, and if you keep asking questions, I’m going to arrest you too... Right away the officer take out the handcuffs and his wife, my friend’s wife, was going to get in the way. So I see she’s pregnant. I know something would happen to her. I saw her face. I saw her face and her eyes and I said she’s going to die and the cop just stepped back. I had my knee in his chest. That’s when everything began..."

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finished a huge spray-painted mural in his honor as well as at the spot where he was murdered. Despite the fact that the author added in up to 125 pigs, they were unable to stop the people from taking over their neighborhood for over four hours.

Until the people rose up in rebellion, the police were brought in from precincts all over the city. An eight-block area of the neighborhood was put in a virtual clampdown. Eight to ten pigs in riot gear sat in vans at every corner. Dozens occupied a big park where the police had been able to regroup. The authorities mobilized an evangelist church to try and confuse the people. They brought their congregation to the spot where Michael was arrested and tried to portray the event as one of "fighting drugs." One sister told us this is a lie. "They want to bust me. Suddenly bottles started flying through the other side. It was terrible. For me the scars they made as they grabbed me was terrible. For me it's right into my face. The authorities justify any and all crimes because I have no experience. How I gonna do? It's crazy." The jobs are still the same.

In Memory of Mike

People construct memorial for Mike Unies

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The great revolutionary Mao Tsetung was a thoroughgoing internationalist and he led the Chinese people in the concrete practice of proletarian internationalism. On April 16, 1968, as Black rebellions shook more than one hundred cities in the United States, Mao wrote his statement "In Support of the Afro-American Struggle Against Violent Repression" and in revolutionary China there were demonstrations of more than one million people supporting the revolutionary struggle of the Black people against U.S. imperialism and national oppression.

Today, in light of the L.A. rebellion, Mao's analysis of the situation of Black people in the U.S. and the source of this oppression has renewed importance.

Some days ago, Martin Luther King, the Afro-American clergymen, was suddenly assassinated by the U.S. imperialists. Martin Luther King was an exponent of non-violence. Nevertheless, the U.S. imperialists did not on that account show any tolerance towards him, but used counter-revolutionary violence and killed him in cold blood. This has taught the broad masses of the black people in the United States a profound lesson. It has touched off a new storm in their struggle against violent repression sweeping well over a hundred cities in the United States, a storm such as has never taken place before in the history of that country. It shows that an extremely powerful revolutionary force is latent in the more than 20 million black Americans.

The storm of Afro-American struggle taking place within the United States is a striking manifestation of the comprehensive political and economic crisis now gripping U.S. imperialism. It is dealing a telling blow to U.S. imperialism, which is beset with difficulties at home and abroad.

The Afro-American struggle is not only a struggle waged by the exploited and oppressed black people for freedom and emancipation, it is also a new chapter in the history of the world revolution. It is a tremendous support and inspiration to the struggle of the people throughout the world against U.S. imperialism, and to the struggle of the Vietnamese people against U.S. imperialism. On behalf of the Chinese people, I hereby express resolute support for the just struggle of the black people in the United States.

Racial discrimination in the United States is a product of the colonialist and imperialist system. The contradiction between the black masses in the United States and the U.S. ruling circles is a class contradiction. Only by overthrowing the reactionary rule of the U.S. monopoly capitalist class and destroying the colonialist and imperialist system can the black people in the United States win complete emancipation. The black masses and the masses of white working people in the United States share common interests and have common objectives to struggle for. Therefore, the Afro-American struggle is winning sympathy and support from increasing numbers of white working people and progressives in the United States.

At present, the world revolution has entered a great new era. The struggle of the black people in the United States for emancipation is a component part of the general struggle of all the people of the world against U.S. imperialism, a component part of the contemporary world revolution. I call on the workers, peasants and revolutionary intellectuals of every country and all who are willing to fight against U.S. imperialism to take action and extend strong support to the struggle of the black people in the United States!

People of the whole world, unite still more closely and launch a sustained and vigorous offensive against our common enemy, U.S. imperialism, and against its accomplices! It can be said with certainty that the complete collapse of colonialism, imperialism and all systems of exploitation, and the complete emancipation of all the oppressed peoples and nations of the world are not far off.
The Los Angeles District Attorney's office is continuing its attack on the Los Angeles Police Department by filing on May 27 new assault charges against the L.A. 4. These four young black men are accused of beating white truck drivers (Reginald Denny) in the South Central intersection of Florence and Normandie, the heart of the rebellion, in the midst of the mayhem of the revolt. News videos were put together to make the arrests and authorities say the new charges of assault and robbery against seven different people or automobiles are also based on videotapes from news broadcasts and amateur camera operators. These videotapes were seized in midnight raids by FBI agents. These new charges have been used to jack up the bail on three of the accused to half a million dollars each.

Defense attorneys angrily denounced this escalating campaign against the four, pointing out that the D.A. has refused to release, even to defense lawyers who have been requesting them for weeks, the video that supposedly shows these other attacks.

D.A. Im Reiner came right out and admitted that the new charges were brought because their case in the Denny beating was starting to look shaky. There have been published reports that Denny had flipped off the crowd and shouted "Rodney King got what he deserved" minutes before he was pulled from his truck. The L.A. 4 have received widespread support from people all over the U.S. and in some other countries. Through carnivals and other benefits and donations, friends, relatives and other supporters have raised over $21 million, according to press reports, and had begun to begin posting bail. Support groups have vowed to continue their efforts to get these brothers out.

These charges against the L.A. 4 have been a slap in the face to the people. Black people the IV has failed to have spoken openly of the double standard being used against the four, and against the videotapes. The beating of Rod-

ney King was on videotape, but all 27 pigs were charging, and those with excessive force and filling false reports. At the absolute most they faced eight years in prison. They were out on bail the whole time— as was the killer of Latahia Harrison. The L.A. 4 are charged with attempted murder, assault with a deadly weapon and robbery, and faced life in prison before the latest charges were added. They were arrested at 2:30 in the morning by an army of 200 pigs, and are being held for more than a million and a half dollars each.

The bail has indeed been "identified" to the L.A. 4 from the videotapes, but an agent admitted to being "tracking" (spying on) at least one of the four. And local agents have threatened more arrests in the next few weeks. Meanwhile, the FBI has had the video of the Rodney King beating for over a year and haven't charged anyone.

This system has no right to put these people or anyone else on trial. The U.S. is built on the mass of indigenous people since the days of Columbus, of 275,000 Iraqis. The crimes of this system against Black people are so common that they are far from its only crimes. Yet this system is accused of being "ruthless" against white people. The L.A. 4 were arrested in the midst of the rioting.

The Los Angeles Times said that the beating of Reginald Denny "has come to symbolize the uphill that followed the ver-

The Los Angeles Rebellion Action Net-

work, a group of legal community and so-
cial movement activists and South Central residents, is demanding: "amnesty for all 60,000 political prisoners, free the prisoners, drop the charges, stop all deport-

ations. The May 25 Rebellion Action Net-

work held a rally at the corner of Florence and Norman-
die. The crowd of 80 people of all different nationalities marched through the surround-
ing neighborhoods and hundreds came out of their houses to show their support. The Los Angeles Rebellion Action Net-

work has demanded the release of 20,000 people the powers are desperate to isolate the reb-

el of April 29 from those in other states who were brought forward by the rebellion. Those at the bottom have no reason to apologize for rising up and giving joy and hope to people all over the world. People who stood with the masses during the rebel-

lion must now demand that the 20,000 people arrested in the L.A. rebellion be freed.

No Time! We Did No Crime! It's Right to Rebel!

The political and legal battle to free three revolutionaries in L.A. is continuing. Defense attorneys angrily denounced this new attempt to build a case against the L.A. 4.

For the whole Thing Tour, Lea and Adelita are being held in lockdown for over a week and denied an attor-

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The National Office of the R.O.C. has called on "everyone who is not willing to go back into the white people's offices to impose a police state in L.A.," to continue their efforts to free these revolutionary prisoners. Lawyers and community activists must continue to speak out on the LAPD and prison officials' efforts to destroy the revolutionary politics that have been practiced by the L.A. 4. Funds are still needed for bail and legal expenses. Protest against the out-

lawed police state.

Although an article appeared in La Linea in the U.S.'s biggest Spanish-language dailies, the mainstream press has largely censored this story. The powers are trying to carry out their crimes in secret. People need to find the ways to shine the light of day on their kidnapping and ransom schemes, to free these revolutionaries now!

Send bail money and contact the defense team through Libros Revolucion, 312 W.

8th St., Los Angeles, CA 90014, (213) 488-1301. (Checks payable to Libros Revolucion with a note stating bail, legal expenses, etc.)

Call and write to protest:
District Attorney Ira Reiner
Criminal Courts Building
2100 W. 6th St., Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 974-6061

See page 13 for support statements.
Part 3: A Festival of the Oppressed

Report from the L.A. Rebellion

By Michael Slate

The old woman leaned across the porch rail to make her point. "I'm glad they raised up all this and I hope they raise some more hell. They gonna do it. I'll tell you one thing, they got the message over, yes sir! I was happy to see them rise up. And it ain't over. Now the police, they say they don't know what happen with all them guns. Well they gonna know what happen, just wait." And with that she let out with a broad, broad smile and a roaring laugh that came from deep down inside.

Verdict in the Jungle

The sister's name is Z. and she lives in an L.A. neighborhood called "the Jungle." It's a dense collection of two- and three-story apartment buildings. The streets in the Jungle seem to wrap around one another. There's a hill to the rear of the Jungle and up on top of that hill are the homes of Black professionals. The neighborhoods on the other sides of the Jungle are home to some better-off Black workers and professionals. The Jungle originally got its name when it was a white neighborhood and the name came from all the trees and lush vegetation in the area. When the Jungle became a Black neighborhood the cops and the powers they work for gave the name a broad, broad smite and a roaring laugh. The truth is, the Jungle is poor, it's cramped and it's full of very angry Black proletarians these days.

Z. and her cousin F. are two young Black women. They grew up in the Jungle and Z. still lives there. They worked as clerical workers for department stores and banks. When we spoke they had been laid off and were looking for work and studying with the idea of trying to start their own business. They were in the heat and heart of the rebellion and one of the things that happened to them is that they have been gunned down and had their limits on certain streets and they roll four cars deep, filled with agents and provocating people. There's been no Black on Black crime. And there are no gang wars.

The media wants to say "Is this trace really true?" Well I know it is cuz I was there. I saw a brother with a red rag and kiss a brother with a blue rag and say it's time to end this shit. We're tired of being like this. They programmed us for so long and what they don't realize is that they educated some of us along the way of expressing us. That's why this riot was much worse for them, that's why this rebellion was much worse for them. And when they try to bring these four brothers, well, if they think it was a riot before, it's really gonna be a riot now. We ain't going for it no more. The whole damn country gonna be that down.

Z. cut her hair, her voice was on fire. "Look, I saw the whole damn thing on TV and I felt sorry for that man. But the media..."

I do not believe in the judicial system. I do not believe in law enforcement. I do not believe in these so called Congresspeople. I do not believe in any of that shit. And I will never believe in it cuz they showed me on April the 29th what America is made of.

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Los Angeles, April 29, 1992. They said change of venue was because it really thought that he was coming at them law enforcement. I do not believe in these so-called Congresspeople. I do not believe in the judicial system. I do not believe in the streets immediately. I was like we gotta do could think was we gotta vent, we gotta do TV and being commercial and all that old bullshit I'm not into. We go over there but people felt the same way I did. I didn't realizar that so many other Black people felt the same way I did. I didn't realize that people were out there on the streets immediately. I was like we gotta do something, we gotta do something. And I could think was we gotta vent, we gotta vent. We went to the First Commercial AME church. It's just a commercial church that's all about entertainers and being on TV and being commercial and all that old bullshit I'm not into. We go over there but we can't get in because they have crowds and stuff. So some of the people there start a march down the street. Then after we started to go home. We're walking down the street and we start seeing that all the people were out there and they were just walking and saying things. It was tears in my eyes. I just hurt because I realize that people were out there on the streets and thinking about what America is made of.

I was ready to die those three days. People out in the streets did things that the average person would say 'my god, did they really do that?' That's how much of a rage we were in. The hoodlums are those twelve goddam jurors who set those four thugs free. Those are the hoodlums and thugs. Now you want to talk about hoodlums and thugs, let's break this shit down. Put me on the news so I can break it down to you. I want to go one on one with some of these newspaper people. I got something to tell them. You don't call my people heathens and animals and tell us this is all about entertainers and being on TV and being commercial and all that old bullshit. And I said, 'You're real worried right now about all those weapons they are against us being turned around and used on us. I go walking all the time and I live in the Jungle, I see six and seven cardboard of police on one block and then they have one car on the other block and one car on the next block—watching their back. They say they driving through trying to find where the guns are. They're trying to intimidate, they turn off the lights at a certain time of night and then drive through car, they scared to do it in the light, you know, just like the Klan. They do this block by block everyday. Let them keep coming in the Jungle and talking shit, they gonna have to deal with the brothers soon. Yesterday me and my sister was driv- ing through the Jungle and we saw the cops arresting this brother. My sister yells out to leave the brother alone. And the cop turns and say, 'Shit up nigger, that's what you guys problem is now.'

I got up and stood behind her chair. As the spoke she hit the back of the chair with her fist to emphasize her point. 'We are sick and tired of this. And we are sick and tired of the Black people who are scared to fight for their rights. We have to come together, we have to be not scared to say something. We can only do it together, we cannot do it separate. And we're not saying people of other races don't come and join us. We're saying everybody who is down to you. I want to go one on one with some of these newspaper people cuz I got something to tell them.

The hoodlums are those twelve goddam jurors who set those four thugs free. Those are the hoodlums and thugs. Let's break this shit down to you. I want to go one on one with some of these newspaper people. I got something to tell them. They're trying to say to everybody in the world that they have everything under control and that it is all over now. Everywhere I call people are like saying, 'So it is all over, everything's done.' I'm like, 'No, I'm still out there. It's not over till the fat lady sings.'

On Sunday night alone we saw seven instances of the police pulling brothers over. They was on every other corner and the brothers was on their knees and their arms were over their heads. Some brothers were trying to protect their head with their arms cuz they was scared they gonna be shot. It's time for us to say if we got to die for what we believe in, so be it. It's not gonna change if we don't and we're already dead, we can't get no lower than we are. We have to say we're tired.'

Z. stood and joined P, and with a smile she closed out the conversation. "Our at- titude in the neighborhood is Pack the Police. That's our national anthem in 1992."
**Shockwaves:**

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"I came from Mexico and I work as a wood assembler in a factory. I left Mexico four years ago. I came to this country and i thought I would find things peaceful and tranquil but I have found things very different. Sometimes things are calm here but most of the time there are problems. I came here expecting some good life and I found that I cannot make enough money and I always have to be working and I can't have a good life. Right now I am only making $8 an hour. I came here thinking that I would be able to make money and then be able to move back to my home in Mexico. But I can't do that, I am stuck here now.

"Like a lot of other people I was very angry when I heard of the verdict for the police in the Rodney King case. I realized that the police in power are really trying to keep the majority of the people of color down. But I felt like there was nothing we could do. There was nobody who could help us. There was no organization. There was a time when we could show the power that we can act on. As long as they have the power and we don't, then we will keep living." I was in here to talk with the brother about what the rebellion really did accomplish and how things were never going to fundamentally change without a revolution led by the proletariat of all nationalities. We talked about how this rebellion will be made and what the rebellion has to do with bringing us closer to the day we can go all the way over.

The brother continued on, "I agree with you very much. When we were asked if it showed our power and as long as we are united we can do that. I went out on that night and I saw so many that were fighting and doing things to show their anger. I spent most of the time with my friends. It showed a strong power in my unity with my friends and with all the other people who were there. We didn't return to our homes. The first thing that I wanted to do was to join the police in power. I saw that the trial was a way to try to reason about the verdict. We tried to get as many people as possible to stay in the vicinity. We immediately knew that the people had to go out for revenge for what the police did. The police were watching the people.

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Watching California Burn

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The speaker was an 83-year-old Black proletarian woman. We had met her by accident. One of the California Original Gangsters—someone who had run with a set in his younger days and who was generally well-known and respected throughout his neighborhood—had sent us down to an alley to meet with President of the community. On the way to the alley we cut across one of the barricades set up by the police in L.A.

A Mexican woman was sitting on the porch of a tiny, weather-beaten house inside the barricaded area. She was watching her young kids as they played on the sidewalk in front of the house. When we spoke with her she told us that she was going to bring another woman from the house to talk to us. She understood English. She was gone before we could say we spoke Spanish. In a few minutes this older, Black sister started out on the porch. Immediately the kids climbed up onto her large lap to hug and kiss her. The old woman explained that this was her family. The parents had come to her when they were married and started a family. That was thirteen years ago. She explained that the Latina sister we had not stayed home to take care of the children and the husband worked in a garment factory. The old woman told us that she had worked for the gas company herself and then had become a housekeeper. She hadn't worked for about twelve years now.

Talking about how she and the Latina family had become family themselves got the sister onto the subject of the rich and the power in this country. "You know if you read your bible, the bible says that the government and the law is crooked. That's what the bible says. Now they want to do them Black men but they don't want to do them white boys. If they don't let them grow up there's gonna be another one. I told them that way before this one blow. I say there's gonna be war right here in the United States. I say that all the time. And we don't have no president and we don't have no thing up there in Washington. All they are doing is making money. They don't care about the little person.""}

Before the verdict, before they ever got halfway through the trial, I said they gonna let them dogs walk. I say if they let them walk then everybody better start to running. People asked me where you going. I say I ain't going no place, I'm gonna sit right here and see them burn down California.

As we spoke the sister let us know that she had no great love for America and the oppression it brought down on people. At the same time, she had a real mixed bag of views—everything from religion to voting—about how to change things. But her heart was firmly planted among the people, the proletarians of all nationalities and the other oppressed people who rose up in rebellion.

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Blocking the Carretera Central

Five miles from Lima, Peru, 1,500 families organized a shantytown in a large walled-in pasture in the hills above the slums of Ate-Vitarte. Most of the people were peasants, driven out of the mountains by hunger and repression. They called their settlement "Jorge Felix Raucana," after a resident killed by police in an attempt to evict them from the land.

The people of Raucana organized a communal way of life. Together they built houses, schoolrooms, a collective dining hall, a medical center, a theater, and a sports stadium. They grew their own food in collective gardens and raised rabbit and chicken for food. They had their own law and order for the settlement and took action against wife-beating, stealing, drugs, and habitual drunkenness.

People from other shantytowns came to Raucana for help in dealing with their problems.

On August 9, a judge ordered the squatters evicted. But two days before the scheduled eviction date, thousands of residents took over a mile-long stretch of the Carretera Central—the main highway running by the shantytowns from Lima to the mountains.

They blacked the Carretera Central with rocks and boulders to prevent the vehicles of the army from coming in. In this way, the people let the authorities know they planned on staying at Raucana.

About 6 in the morning, a hundred people came out to block the streets with everything they could find. People rolled rocks and boulders all over the highway. They covered their faces so they could not be identified from TV footage of the confrontation.

The people were prepared ahead of time. They had molotov cocktails ready. Squads were organized and planned to throw back the tear gas canisters of the army and police. Peru's TV newsmen commented that the people showed "an almost military organization."

When the troops arrived, the militia of the residents forced the police to retreat using tear gas. They beat the troops back with rocks and molotov cocktails.

The children were organized and carried signs calling on the troops not to kill their parents and not to obey their generals.

One resident from Raucana told the Peruvian TV, "It's the resolution of all of us here, all the poor people, to have a place to live. We have a right to it."

The Battle of Raucana

In Raucana to fight the eviction, the residents decided to blockade the streets that connect with the highway by digging trenches and rolling boulders onto the streets. The people organized guards to keep watch on the walls around the town. Some guard squads braved the cold weather to stay up on the hills behind the settlement so they could see into the city and tell when the authorities were coming. The community also built guard towers around the settlement to have a broader view of the area and to be vigilant. The guards rotated every three hours.

Women participated equally on the front lines. The women were ready to face the tear gas. They carried bottles of vinegar and water to combat the effects of the tear gas. The women were also trained to use the hondas.

On the walls the slogans told of the combat. Raucana was a town in the midst of war.

In the streets there were flyers from an organization led by the politics of the PGR The influence of the PCF could also be seen by the presence of the revolutionary Peruvian newspaper El Turco.

Manuel, a leader of the people, told a TV newscaster, "Mr. Newspaperman, we want you to know that if necessary we are ready to give our lives because we are defending a just cause."

To prevent trucks and vehicles from coming into the settlement, the people dug big trenches in the streets leading into the town. The trenches were three feet deep, nine yards long, and more than three feet wide. Three trenches of this size were built a yard and a half apart from each other so that the army tracks could not enter.

For a whole month the authorities were kept at a standstill. Finally on September 6 several thousand soldiers came in with automatic weapons and armored vehicles, backed by a thousand police. The residents resisted with heaps of burning tires, slings and molotovs. Even as the army occupied the town, slogans on the wall read "Death to the murderers."

Three weeks after the troops came in to occupy the settlement, hundreds of residents organized into resistance groups once again blocked the Carretera Central, armed with rocks and dynamite. This time they were joined by thousands of workers, students, and housewives from the nearby factories and slums. They attacked the occupying troops. And from behind the clouds of gas laid down by army helicopters, the spirit of Raucana persisted.
The following is from the pamphlet "Cold Truth, Liberating Truth: How This System Always Oppressed Black People, And How All Oppression Can Finally Be Ended":

Proletarian revolution is not just a good idea. It is a concrete and practical goal that is being battled for right now in all parts of the world. Within the U.S. itself, this heartland of imperialism, proletarian revolution is not only something urgently and desperately needed—it is something that can be done.

There is a proletariat in the USA—numbering in the tens of millions—with nothing to lose but our chains and a world to win. Black people and other oppressed nationalities make up a very important part of this proletariat, but they are not alone. While there are certainly white people who are well-off, comfortable, and conservative, there are also many who are not. There are, in fact, millions of whites who are poor and exploited and whose most basic interests are with the proletarian revolution.

There are many allies and potential allies who can be won by the revolutionary proletariat. The key alliance that must be built for revolution in this country is the alliance between the struggles of the oppressed nationalities to end their national oppression and the struggle of the proletariat, of all nationalities, to end all oppression and exploitation through the overthrow of capitalism and the advance to communism worldwide. At the same time there are many others, including many middle-class people, who can be united with in the fight against this system and can be won to support the proletarian revolution—or at least to not side with the system against this revolution. There are millions and millions of women, and large numbers of youth, and many others who are victimized and outraged by the workings of this system and the endless atrocities it commits.
SISTERS AND BROTHERS!

from LA.

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May 6, 1992—L.A. City College student demonstration organized by No Peace for Racists group.

The line of the Revolutionary Communist Party, and you should that they know this will spell their deaths.

The deal is that the powers were rocked by the destructive power of the righteous rebellion of the people. They hate and fear that power. And they are moving to punish the entire Black and Latin communities for even daring to rise up.

They also fear the prospect that the rage of the people will connect up with revolutionary political understanding. Because they knew that this will spell their deaths.

That is that their attempts are bound to fail. That is that their attempts are bound to fail. They can’t get it right the first time. What we do is go forward, and never; I mean never, go back. In order to make our revolution work we have to become stronger within ourselves, and not give up to the systematic capitulation, silly pig ways. And also, I believe in what Malcolm X said, “Freedom by any means necessary.”

CARL DIX, SPOKESPERSON FOR THE RCP.

The multiple arrests of Sasha, Adelita and Lori, the lying and the lies that would have gotten, get down with the RCP and lead the masses in fighting the power in mass political struggle, and that everything we do must be seen as preparing for the TIME, and it can come soon. These women need the leadership of the vanguard to step out and lead. We cannot underestimate what we have accomplished through this rebellion, and we cannot underestimate the responsibility we have to step out and lead these new warriors.

We need to bring to them our science, the science of Marxism-Leninism-Maoism, of the total war against the enemy, and to put Revolutionary Communist Party, and you should be down for the revolutionaries:

The following excerpt is from a statement by Jose Johnson, national spokesperson for Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade.

As Pastor Martin Niemoller said of the German Christians: "First they came for the Communists and I didn’t speak up because I wasn’t a Communist. Then they came for the Jews, and I didn’t speak up because I wasn’t a Jew. Then they came for the trade unionists, and I didn’t speak up because I wasn’t a trade unionist. Then they came for the Catholics, and I didn’t speak up because I wasn’t a Catholic. Then they came for me, and by that time no one was left to speak up.”
Haiti Rises Up/ U.S. Clamps Down on Refugees

The Haitian people are waging heroic resistance against the murderous military government running their country. Student demonstrations have swept the island, with some raising the slogan "Aristide or Death," while others cry "Revolution or Death."

According to the press there have been firefights in the capital of Port-au-Prince and in provincial towns between soldiers and armed people. Five soldiers are said to have been killed. And there appear to be cracks within the military with reports of soldiers denouncing the government on radios and shoot-outs where soldiers have killed each other.

The poor in Haiti are eating tree roots. Farmers are forced to eat seed grain instead of planting it. The distended bellies and yellowing hair of starving Haitian children is clear evidence of widespread hunger and malnutrition. Many people describe the mood in Haiti as similar to 1986, just before a nationwide uprising swept away the hated Duvalier regime.

The Haitian military is meeting this upsurge with intensified brutality. Soldiers have repeatedly gone into classrooms and pulled out student activists. Several young students have been raped by soldiers. More and more bodies of people murdered by death squads are being found. In late May, the U.S.-backed Government of Haiti, headed by ousted President Aristide, called for a popular movement to overthrow the current military government and restore Aristide. The next day Aristide was assassinated near a police station. There is talk—among the people and the opponents—that this crisis could erupt into an open revolt against the government.

Faced with this situation, the U.S. government has announced a vicious new policy toward Haitian refugees. President Bush personally signed a new executive order on May 24 ordering his naval forces to seize Haitians found on the high seas and return them all directly to the military government of Haiti—without allowing any refugees to apply for political asylum in the U.S.

Since October armed U.S. gunboats have seized Haitian ships in international waters, kidnapping the occupants and often burning their boats. In all some 40,000 refugees have been seized and taken to the U.S. Guantanamo base on Cuba. A few thousand were allowed to apply for asylum in the U.S. However, most were returned to Haiti. Now, the White House has toughened this already-cruel policy, handing everyone they seize over to Haiti's murderous government.

**Ridiculous Justifications for a Cruel Policy**

The U.S. claims they will still offer asylum to refugees fleeing political persecution in Haiti, but it is clear the new policy is a death sentence for many refugees who will be murdered by government death squads. Bush has laid out the reasons behind this policy. First, he claims Haitians have no refugee rights because they are "economic refugees" fleeing poverty, not political refugees fleeing from government repression. Second, he claims the U.S. government has no evidence that returned refugees are being brutalized by the Haitian government. And third, he says the U.S. embassy in Port-au-Prince is accepting applications from those who want to leave Haiti.

All these claims are reactionary lies. Even the U.S. government previously said that at least a quarter of the Haitian refugees qualify for asylum under U.S. law. The idea that political refugees from all over the country will be able to apply at the U.S. embassy in Port-au-Prince, under the nose of the military, is completely absurd. And so is the idea that returned refugees aren't being killed by the military. It is contradicted by countless stories from Haitians themselves.

One bourgeois reporter interviewed an unemployed, 28-year-old painter, Gerald Labarbe, in a coastal village in southern Haiti. Gerald showed bruises on his face from beatings, and said that such attacks by police and soldiers had already twice driven him to set sail from his coastal village. Such stories are common in Haiti where over a thousand people have been killed by the Haitian military since last September's coup.

It is particularly reactionary and hypocritical for the U.S. government to claim that the suffering华夏人 is not their responsibility. Throughout this century, U.S. imperialis have dominated and expropriated the Haitian people. They have ruined the country's agriculture and used Haitian plantation workers as cheap labor. U.S. interests have been controlling the country's economy and the U.S. has been unable to come up with even a compromise with the military regime in Haiti. This has created a political problem for the U.S. where they look weak and unable to back up pro-U.S. governments when their power is challenged. The U.S. can't tolerate the military regime in Haiti. Instead, the U.S. wants the situation to deteriorate over with U.S. troops will expose them even more as imperialists and could lead to the U.S. military domination of the region as well as the whole region.

Now, the U.S. policy of returning refugees to Haiti is creating new political contradictions. The policy is immediately and widely denounced as a cruel violation of international law and the U.N. conventions. A conservative columnist in the Miami Herald worried that the U.S. was looking bad. "Maybe we should just admit it and get it over with. America doesn't really stand for human rights; it stands for convenience. America doesn't really stand for democracy. It stands for oil from the Middle East, [uranium] from South Africa, cheap imports from China made by slave wage labor—any arrangement that allows a privileged few to make big dollars." This is exactly what the U.S. imperialis do not want the people of the world to see.

The other problem worrying the imperialis is the popular upheaval in Haiti could push the situation out of the control of pro-U.S. forces. Major figures in the U.S. government have talked of an invasion of Haiti, which they hope would stabilize the situation and install a new government friendly to the U.S. Such an invasion would be a criminal attempt to suppress the people and impose further U.S. domination and should be opposed by people throughout the world.

Haitian refugees being fingerprinted after being returned to Haiti by the U.S.
The U.S. Phony Money Plot in Iraq

The U.S. government is organizing agents to sabotage the economy of Iraq, including the use of counterfeit money. These imperialist moves are causing massive suffering for millions of Iraqis.

In a May 6 letter to the UN general secretary, the Iraqi government accused the U.S. of smuggling counterfeit currency into Iraq to "sabotage the Iraqi economy in cooperation with Iran and Saudi Arabia." Jordanian officials told the New York Times (May 27) that last February the U.S. government gave high-level orders to step up covert operations against Iraq.

Fake Iraqi dinars and U.S. dollars are being printed in separate operations backed by Western powers, Saudi Arabia, Iran and Israel. The phony money is then smuggled across Iraqi borders by imperialist agents, Jordan and Turkey have been used as staging areas for the smuggling operations. The Iraqi government also charges that U.S. helicopters have dropped counterfeit money directly onto the southern marshland areas in Iraq. Other covert projects include sending armed agents, trained in Saudi Arabia and Iraq, into Iraq to encourage the fragmentation of the country.

Plundering Iraq with counterfeit money is meant to cause extreme inflation and undermine confidence in the cash economy. This makes it difficult to move the economy away from barter and restore ordinary trade.

During the war against Iraq, the U.S. used massive bombings in an attempt to threaten Iraqi society. The U.S. and its allies often targeted and destroyed clearly civilian installations like hospitals, water treatment plants, fertilizer plants and even a baby milk factory. This destruction produced severe food shortages and contaminated water, shortage of medicine, and widespread lack of electricity. It has led to widespread disease, hunger, and death in Iraq, especially among children.

After the war, the U.S.-led forces prolonged this suffering by continuing a UN-sponsored embargo. The embargo prevents Iraq from importing food, medicine and spare parts and from selling oil to raise cash. Now it is revealed that counterfeit money and other covert operations are also being used to sabotage the economic rebuilding.

Over decades, the U.S. and other imperialists backed and armed the government of Saddam Hussein. The powers knew perfectly well that the Hussein regime was based on the vicious military suppression of the people, but they propped him up because he served their imperialist interests.

The big powers and Saddam Hussein had a falling out in the Gulf crisis and the war of 1991-92. Since then, the U.S. and its allies have been demanding that the top military commanders in Iraq replace Saddam Hussein as their chief. At the same time, the Western powers have tried to preserve the basic reactionary setup in Iraq, because they are afraid of mass uprisings among the Iraqi masses and the oppressed Kurdish people.

The U.S. goal is to get the Iraqi government and military to bend like a wooden stick, to not lackeys to the ascending stream of U.S. demands. Their cruel imperialist methods is to increase the suffering of the people, using open embargo and secret sabotage. The Zionists and the US-backed Iraqis are increasing their sufferings among the Iraqi masses and the oppressed Kurdish people.

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The Zionist attacks in Lebanon are downsized versions of the war in many ways. Many guerrillas of the fundamentalist Hezbollah party as well as civilians have been killed. On May 21 alone, Israeli bombs killed about 25 people. One air strike hit the village of el-Bed, Lebanon, only three miles from the border with Syria. On the same day Israeli artillery hit a village inside the so-called "security zone" that the Zionist state has carved out of a stretch of Lebanese territory in northern Israel. Among those killed was a woman and her three children. On May 25, Israel's jets attacked a group of Palestinian refugees in the Valley of the Lemon, across the border, in an act of revenge.

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The RW continues to receive reports from different areas on protests after the Rodney King verdict. The following is a report from Claremont, California.

Claremont, a largely middle class college town in eastern Los Angeles county, was rocked as 300 students took to the streets downtown on the night of the Rodney King verdict. Police tried to break the demonstration up a number of times with non-lethal weapons that included spraying their cars into the crowd. The people surged around them, however, and moved out onto Route 66, blocking both the east and westbound lanes. Later that night they shut down the Claremont police station despite the fact that reinforcements that had been called in from several neighboring cities.

The next day an even larger crowd moved off campus and, despite repeated attempts by police to stop them, the people shut down Arrow Highway during rush hour. The group then moved north to Foothill Blvd., confronted the police in riot gear and again shut down Route 66.
This issue of A World To Win features another big-caliber weapon on the ideological battlefield by RCP Chairman Bob Avakian—"Democracy: More Than Ever We Can and Must Do Better Than That!"

In this essay, Bob Avakian answers arguments put forward by the Central Reorganization Committee, Communist Party of India (Maoist-Leninist). The debate deals with questions that have been raised in a big way for revolutionaries all over the world since the crisis in the former Soviet Union erupted. How are we to evaluate the historical experience of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the leading role of a communist party? Are these obstacles or necessities to the proletariat, and ultimately all humanity, to achieve liberation? Has the experience of the proletarian revolution since Marx been basically right or wrong on these things?

In the course of this debate over how to evaluate this historical experience, Bob Avakian upholds the basic experience of the proletariat in power—including the contributions of Lenin and Mao to the science and practice of revolution. And through his summation, Avakian points to key lessons for the next wave of proletarian revolution.

Together with the new book Phony Communism Is Dead...Long Live Real Communism this essay in the international journal presents a one-two punch—a spirited defense of revolutionary communism and an example of how Maoism-Leninism-Maoism can confront the most complex and burning issues facing humanity at the dawn of the twenty-first century.

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DO THE MASSES HAVE THE RIGHT TO RULE?

Once again, life and death questions for the revolution are the focus of sharp debate throughout the world. The Maoist-Leninist-Maoist party is being denied as a tool of oppression rather than a weapon for liberation. At stake is nothing less than the "right" of the proletariat and the oppressed masses to rise up in revolution and establish their own rule, the dictatorship of the proletariat, and carry through the long revolutionary transformation of society until the abolition of classes, communism, is achieved.

The AWTW Editorial Board calls for a vigorous counter-offensive to hold high the teachings of Marxism-Leninism-Maoist Thought. In "Democracy: More Than Ever We Can and Must Do Better Than That!" Bob Avakian, Chairman of the Revolutionary Communist Party, USA, offers a biting rebuke to the article "On Proletarian Democracy," a draft document of the Central Reorganizing Committee of the Communist Party of India (Maoist-Leninist) prepared under the leadership of its Secretary, K. Venu.

COMMUNISM MARCHES FORWARD IN PERU

The People's War led by the Communist Party of Peru (PCP) has advanced to a new stage: strategic equilibrium. The revolutionary army has become strong enough to win relative stability, for the revolutionary base areas, where the poor peasants and other masses in the countryside hold political power. The political power of the masses is the guerrilla's "secret weapon," driving forward the development of the whole war. Today, Yankee analysts and politicians are considering the prospects for a country-wide PCP victory — and planning out a whole new level of aggression to try to prevent it.

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