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Unwanted

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**This is the story of a boy
whose dad was in the war
& his mama got pregnant
on purpose by
not taking her pills
Sometimes a forced marriage
works out
but most of time it doesn't**

because there was no love
to begin with
there was only sex
Abortions are illegal & this
was the beginning
of an unwanted child
& the life before him
His dad was a hard working man
who drank & smoked marijuana
that he leaned how to do
when he wasn't fighting
His mama didn't know how to cook
wash the clothes or clean the house
& it made his dad very mad &
they would fight about it
Then his dad started
taking other drugs
that only left a little boy
who didn't get any love
from either of his parents
After the divorce, his mama
didn't feed him right,
wash his clothes
or make him go to school
because it was
an unwanted burden
All the while his dad
was flying higher &
higher than he'd
ever been before
His mom married a richer man
who took her & the boy
5 states away
& the boy grew up
with an unwanted father
The boss at the factory
gave his dad an ultimatum
to either clean up
or he would be fired
He took his trusty 45
into an all-night liquor store
the police found him in the morning
passed out in his truck
When his father was released
from prison,
they found him

dead
on the end of a needle
in an angry part of town
As soon as the boy was 18
he drove to California
& would sit on the beach
with the surf & sunshine
& feel the peace
float from across the ocean
now that his
unwanted father's
war was over
he prayed
that there would be
no more wars for forever.

writing by Dennis Serdel for Military Resistance

DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND OR RELATIVE IN THE MILITARY?



CHANGE WE CAN BEREAVE IN

Forward Military Resistance along, or send us the email address if you wish and we'll send it regularly with your best wishes. Whether in Afghanistan or at a base in the USA, this is extra important for your service friend, too often cut off from access to encouraging news of growing

resistance to injustices, inside the armed services and at home. Send email requests to address up top or write to: Military Resistance, Box 126, 2576 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10025-5657.

AFGHANISTAN WAR REPORTS

7 Georgian Troops Killed In Afghanistan; Nine More Wounded By Attack On Base

Jun 6, 2013 By AFP

Seven Georgian troops were killed and nine were wounded in Afghanistan when insurgents attacked their base, the pro-Western Caucasus country's army chief said Thursday.

"Seven military servicemen were killed" when a "suicide terrorist" blew up a truck loaded with explosives outside a Georgian military base in Afghanistan's Helmand province, General Irakli Dzeladze, chief of the Georgian army joint staff, told a news conference.

The incident brings to 30 the death toll of Georgian soldiers serving in the International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan (ISAF).

Georgia has 1,570 troops serving in Afghanistan's Helmand province, making the small Caucasus country of 4.5 million the largest non-NATO contributor to ISAF, according to the defence ministry.

Flores Was Quiet Soul: Teachers Remember Guardsman

May 23, 2013 by Gaynor Dumat-ol Daleno, Pacific Daily News

More than a decade has passed since Spc. Dwayne Flores attended C.L. Taitano Elementary School and Agueda Johnston Middle School.

But for some of his teachers, Flores was one of those outstanding students who left an unforgettable mark -- even with the passing of time.

The 22-year-old Flores, an Army specialist, and 23-year-old Sgt. Eugene Aguon, both with the Guam National Guard, died in a car bomb attack in Afghanistan on May 16.

The impact of the explosion was so powerful it rattled windows across Afghanistan's capital of Kabul and sent an armored vehicle airborne more the 30 feet from the blast site, The Associated Press reported.

On Guam, a community-wide sense of loss resonated among people who knew the two soldiers as neighbors, friends, relatives and classmates.

The two young soldiers were part of a group of more than 600 Guam National Guard men and women still in the early stages of deployment in Afghanistan.

The families of the two fallen soldiers have asked that they be allowed to grieve privately, but Flores' family was OK with Dwayne's former teachers sharing how they remember the young Sinajana man.

Rudy Munoz was one of Dwayne's second-grade teachers, and although it's been years, Munoz still remembers Dwayne Flores as one of the students who stood out.

Munoz said Dwayne Flores was student of the month every month throughout his second-grade year.

"I was really shocked that a good person like Dwayne," Munoz said, pausing as he sat on one of the small student chairs in his classroom, and then continued: "He's so young."

Munoz said Dwayne Flores' parents are in his thoughts and prayers.

"It's hard to lose someone that sudden; it's really hard," Munoz said.

Munoz said he didn't expect a quiet person like Dwayne Flores would become a soldier.

After Dwayne Flores completed second grade, the next time Munoz heard about his former student was when the teacher's vehicle was stuck on a road in a Sinajana residential neighborhood. Munoz ended up at the student's home to get help.

That was five years ago, and Munoz learned that his former second-grade student was an avid vehicle mechanic and had a monster truck. Dwayne Flores wasn't home, but the former student's dad told Munoz that his son would have used his monster truck to tow Munoz's vehicle had he been home that day.

"With Dwayne, how can such a thing happen to such a good person?" Munoz asked, and then said to himself that Dwayne was on a mission and serving his country.

Another C.L. Taitano Elementary teacher, Maria Aguon, was team-teaching in second grade with Munoz's class while the school was under construction and being expanded when she had the chance to be one of Dwayne Flores' teachers.

Aguon said Dwayne Flores stood out. "When I saw him when he was young, I could tell that he was going to be able to do anything that he wanted because he always had very high endeavors," Aguon said.

After second grade, Aguon said the next time she saw Dwayne Flores was on TV just last month as Guam soldiers were featured.

"I was very pleased that I saw his picture there, and I remembered him, I said 'Wow, Dwayne is in the military' and I knew Dwayne -- he was gonna be able to do a lot of very good things, so I wasn't surprised that he had a lot of good goals and he had a lot of good ambitions."

"I was very shocked when I heard that he had passed away and in this tremendous way, I am very very saddened by it -- I want to pay my condolences to his parents.

At Agueda Johnston Middle School, a photo of Dwayne Flores on the front page of the Pacific Daily News shocked language arts teacher Jesusa Ladrado. She found a yearbook photo showing Dwayne Flores in eighth grade.

"I felt sad, to Dwayne's parents, my heart goes out to them," Ladrado said. "Dwayne was a very quiet boy; I remember he was very good in writing, he wrote journals every day in class and I could see Dwayne in his writing -- very creative," Ladrado said.

Ladrado said the deaths of the two soldiers hit close to home for many families on Guam who have sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, moms and dads serving in the military and who will be or have been deployed.

Ladrado said, in her family, seven out of 10 of her siblings served in the military and have since retired. Some of her siblings' children are now in the military service.

"Every night and day, we pray for them -- for friends and family members who are members of the military -- and I always ask God to help them and take them home safely.

"Serving our country is a very prestigious thing to do and we pray not only for Dwayne and Eugene, but also for everyone out there and hope they can come back safe and alive," Ladrado said.

Aguon said Dwayne Flores is a son of Guam and it hurts to lose him.

"As a teacher, I saw him playing with other children (when he was a student) and he's happy -- you just hope our students are able to live long lives and be good citizens, ... it's just a tragedy, I am just very, very sad," Aguon said.

Aguon also hopes the rest of Guam's sons and daughters who are serving in the military will come home safely.

"We have lost a very, very good person. I just hope that other people can hear this and we can hopefully bring our troops back in a safe manner," Aguon said.

Across from Aguon's fourth-grade classroom, a fifth-grade teacher is away from her students. She's part of the Guam Guard members who are in Afghanistan.

**POLITICIANS REFUSE TO HALT THE
BLOODSHED**

**THE TROOPS HAVE THE POWER TO STOP THE
WAR**

Australian Special Forces Soldier Shot In Afghanistan

Jun 7, 2013 Michael Edwards in Tarin Kot, ABC News

An Australian Special Forces soldier has been shot while on a mission in Uruzgan province in Afghanistan.

The soldier was wounded during a joint mission with Afghan forces 45 kilometres north-west of Tarin Kot yesterday.

The soldier received immediate treatment on the ground and was then transferred to the hospital at the Tarin Kot base.

He has since been transferred to another medical facility at Kandahar.

The Defence Department says the man is conscious and has spoken to his family.

**Great Moments In U.S. Military
History:
U.S. Drone Strike Kills Children In
Kunar;
“Three Children, Including A Girl, Were
Killed And Another Seven Children,
Including Three Girls, Were Injured”**

Jun 6, 2013 By Khan Wali Salarzai, PAN

Three children were killed and seven others, all from the same family, were injured in an overnight drone strike by US-led coalition forces in the Manogai district of eastern Kunar province, the governor said on Thursday.

Syed Fazlullah Wahidi said the pilotless aircraft targeted a civilian house on Wednesday night in the Danglik village, killing Tarbaz Khan's two sons and a daughter.

Seven other family members of Khan and his brother injured in the strike were taken to the district hospital and their condition was said to be stable, Wahidi said, insisting they were innocent.

A surviving family member, Raziqullah, said the drone hit their house when all family members were present. "There was a big bang that came all of a sudden and knocked me unconscious."

He said three children, including a girl, were killed and another seven children, including three girls, were injured. The children aged between three and 14 years.

Afghan Civilians Killed Demanding Arrest Of U.S. Troops For Killing Civilians

Jun. 4, 2013 By Rahim Faiez, The Associated Press

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN —

Hundreds of Afghans blocked a major highway south of Kabul on Tuesday, carrying freshly dug-up bodies they claimed were victims of torture by U.S. special operations forces and demanding the Americans be arrested, officials said.

At the rally and two of the demonstrators were killed in Wardak, 45 kilometers (27 miles) south of Kabul.

The three bodies were dug up earlier Tuesday morning near a former U.S. special operations forces base in Nirkh district, according to Attaullah Khogyani, the provincial governor's spokesman.

Six other bodies were unearthed there in the past few weeks.

Khogyani said an investigation was underway but that it was too soon to say if the three were among at least nine people who villagers say disappeared into American custody and were never seen again.

Tuesday's rally brought a car with the three bodies to the local provincial governor's office, then protesters fanned out and blocked traffic on the main road from Kabul to Kandahar, said Fahimi, the council member.

“They were throwing stones and shouting against the government and the (American) special forces, saying, ‘We want the killers of these innocent civilians to be prosecuted,’” Fahimi said.

The demonstrators tried to get into the governor’s office, and police fired in the air to stop them, he said.

MILITARY NEWS

More Than 200 Carrying Rifles, Shot Guns And Semi-Automatic Weapons Come Out For Armed Demonstration In Response To

What They Say Was The Unlawful Arrest Of A Soldier:

“I've Seen The Stop And Frisk Videos In New York And Heard About Things Like That But This Was Stop And Frisk, It Was Disarm, Handcuffed, It Was The Arrest”

“There's A Lot Of Stuff That's Going On And People Think It's Out Of Our Control But It's Not”

“We're The People, That's Why The Constitution Was Written For Us”

“Grisham says the march sent a message to both Temple Police and the public. I think got through quite well to the Temple Police Department is that an armed society is a polite society.”

Jun 01, 2013 By Kristianna Gross, KXXV & KCEN

A video of a soldier being arrested in March for rudely displaying a weapon sparked outrage among many Temple residents Saturday and hundreds came out for an armed march in support of the Second Amendment.

Dozens of police were also on hand to ensure the protest remained peaceful.

The Come and Take it Temple March hosted nearly a dozen speakers who took the stage to express their concern about how they believe police and government are impinging on their rights.

More than 200 supporters turned out carrying rifles, shot guns and semi- automatic weapons in response to what they say was the unlawful arrest of a soldier.

Army Master Sergeant Christopher J. Grisham was stopped and arrested March 16th while hiking with his son in Temple for carrying his semi- automatic gun.

He says, “I had my son record the arrest because it just became so egregious to me. It was wrong to begin with and I wanted people to see what was going on.”

Grisham’s charges were downgraded from resisting arrest to interfering with a peace officer while performing a duty.

Since the video has been up, it has gotten thousands of views and comments from supporters.

Co-Owner of dontcomply.com and event organizer Murdoch Pizgatti says, “I've seen the stop and frisk videos in New York and heard about things like that but this was stop and frisk, it was disarm, handcuffed, it was the arrest and it was right down the road here in Texas.

“You know that shouldn't happen here, that is way too close to home. That was my line in the sand and I knew it had been crossed at that moment so I got up and did something.”

Protestor Josh Toles says, “There's a lot of stuff that's going on and people think it's out of our control but it's not. We're the people, that's why the constitution was written for us.”

Grisham says the march sent a message to both Temple Police and the public.

“Not only is one man with a rifle or a weapon not any cause for alarm but hundreds of people with weapons are no cause for alarm. The reality is and the message that I think got through quite well to the Temple Police Department is that an armed society is a polite society and that a person with a gun isn't someone that you need to fear,” said Grisham.

Pizgatti says because the day was a success. Dontcomply.com is now working to organize armed Second Amendment marches in cities across the country.

FORWARD OBSERVATIONS



“At a time like this, scorching irony, not convincing argument, is needed. Oh had I the ability, and could reach the nation’s ear, I would, pour out a fiery stream of biting ridicule, blasting reproach, withering sarcasm, and stern rebuke.

“For it is not light that is needed, but fire; it is not the gentle shower, but thunder.

“We need the storm, the whirlwind, and the earthquake.”

“The limits of tyrants are prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppose.”

Frederick Douglass, 1852

There is no democracy without socialism and no socialism without democracy.
-- Rosa Luxemburg

“I Decided To Put My Thought On Paper And Tell The World How I Felt About Bush And The War In Iraq He Started”

“10 Years Later: Thousands And Thousands Of Lives Lost On Both Sides; Thousands And Thousands Of People Physically And Mentally Injured; And, Well Over A Trillion Of Dollars Spent”

“It’s A Crime That Bush Hasn’t Been Charged As A War Criminal”

To: Military Resistance Newsletter

By: Stanley Howard, Prisoner Against The War

After being pardoned by then-Governor George Ryan for spending 16 years wrongfully on Illinois’ Death Row, I was transferred from Death Row to Statesville Correctional Center because I had to fight yet another wrongful conviction.

I was put in a cell with a 26-year old who had just started serving a long prison term for murder.

That next night while we were watching television, Bush started the war in Iraq.

I sat there in total amazement watching him cheering on the assault on Iraq with great delight, and his cheers got me so pissed off that I just had to ask him: “Why are you so elated about what is going on?”

“We got to show them,” he said. “That they can’t come over here and fly planes into our buildings and get away with it.”

I tried to explain to the young Brother that Saddam Hussein had nothing to do with what happened on 9/11 and that there was no evidence that Saddam had chemical, biological or nuclear weapons of mass destruction.

And after talking with him for a few hours, I realized that he was simply ignorant to a lot of facts and his patriotism wanted to strike back for what occurred on 9/11.

Astonished by the unjustified assault on Iraq and his behavior, I decided to put my thought on paper and tell the world how I felt about Bush and the war in Iraq he started.

Here we are — 10 years later: thousands and thousands of lives lost on both sides; thousands and thousands of people physically and mentally injured; and, well over a trillion of dollars spent, and it's a crime that Bush hasn't been charged as a war criminal.

The attached article was written in March 2003 and appeared in the May 2003 New Abolitionist's Newsletter.

We Must Disarm Bush

Keeping In Real

BY **PARDONED ILLINOIS DEATH ROW PRISONER STANLEY HOWARD**



Stanley Howard

New Abolitionist Newsletter; May 2003

Since the so-called “war on terrorism” began September 11, 2001, some Americans became stricken with a bad case of tunnel vision. They have been whipped up into a patriotic frenzy, so that anyone who dares to stand up against or question Bush and the war is deemed unpatriotic.

This frenzy has Democrats playing a passive role to Bush and the Republican Parry — for fear of being labeled soft on terrorism.

This is the same position the Democrats took in the so-called war on crime and drugs, which targeted the young, the poor and people of color—while robbing the country's

wealth to make their rich friends richer and the poor poorer, disenfranchised and locked up.

Like most Americans, I'm not suffering from tunnel vision. I'm not subscribing to their propaganda for this war: "They just hate Americans and no one knows why." I'm not buying into this wacky patriotic frenzy that enables Bush to proclaim, "Either you're with us, or you're with them." I'm not with Bush, or this "them" he referred to, because I love America just as much as I love the rest of the world, and I'll never buy into patriotism if it forms an "us" against "them" mentality. We are all part of the same human family.

We need to start inquiring about the root causes of the attacks on America, its allies and interests and the other conflicts around the world to come to a just and intelligent solution to obtain peace and unity. We need to stop this senseless cycle of violence by stopping these arm chair chiefs/warmongers from sending our mothers, fathers, sisters and brothers onto battlefields to kill each other—when these same leaders cannot come together to combat starvation, AIDS, global warming, pollution, racism, etc.

That's why we can support the troops on both sides without supporting the war or leaders.

To Keep It Real, the world needs a regime change starting with Bush--a.k.a. the Texecutioner, a.k.a. the Thief-in-Chief who stole the White House, and his puppet Tony Blair. They are using the war on terrorism to steal the wealth of and colonize Iraq and Afghanistan under the cloak of liberating them.

Bush doesn't care about liberating them—any more than he cares about liberating Palestinians from Israeli oppression and occupation, or liberating Black and poor folks who are being terrorized right here in America.

Bush is guilty of being a serial killer—"one who kills many victims over a period of time, often as part of a pattern and targeting victims with similar characteristics," according to the dictionary.

As governor of Texas and president, he poisoned to death more than 150 people, almost all of whom had the common characteristics of being young, poor and of color.

This makes him guilty of Hate Crimes ("a crime motivated by the victim's race, color, ethnicity, religion and national origin') and guilty of Crimes Against Humanity ("a brutal crime that is not an isolated incident, but that involves large and systematic actions).

Killing is killing, whether it's done directly or indirectly.

We must disarm Bush and stop his reign of killing. His only apparent agenda is this: if you kill, he'll kill you.

If you kill when he wants you to kill, he'll make you a hero.

“In The Production Process More Labour Is Absorbed Than Is Bought”

“What Capital As Capital (Hence The Capitalist As Capitalist) Wants To Produce Is Neither An Immediate Use Value For Self-Consumption, Nor A Commodity To Be Turned First Into Money And Then Into A Use Value”

“Its Aim Is The Accumulation, The Expansion Of Value, Its Increase; That Is To Say, The Maintenance Of The Old Value And The Creation Of Surplus Value”

From Karl Marx, *Theories Of Surplus Value*; International Publishers; New York, 1952

In the actual production process labour is in reality transformed into capital, but this transformation is made possible by the original exchange between money and labour power.

Through this *direct* transformation of labour into *materialized* labour belonging not to the worker but to the capitalist, the money is first transformed into capital, including that part of it which has taken the form of means of production, of the conditions necessary for labour.

Up to this point the money is only in its nature capital, whether it exists in its own form or in the form of commodities (products of labour) of such a type as can serve as means of production of a commodity.

This definite relation to labour first transforms money and commodities into capital, and that labour is productive labour which, through this, its relation to the means of production — to which corresponds a definite relation in the actual production process — transforms money or commodities into capital; that is to say, maintains and increases in

its value the *materialized* labour which confronts labour power as something independent.

Productive labour is only an abbreviated way of expressing the whole relationship and the form and manner in which labour power figures in the capitalist production process. But it is of the greatest importance to distinguish it from other kinds of labour, since this distinction expresses precisely the distinct form of that labour on which is based the whole capitalist mode of production and capital itself.

Productive labour is therefore — in the system of capitalist production — that which produces *surplus value* for its employer, or which transforms the objective conditions of labour into capital and their owner into a capitalist; and therefore labour which produces its own product as capital.

When therefore we speak of *productive labour*, we speak of socially determined labour, labour which implies a quite precise relation between the buyer and the seller of the labour.

But although the money which is in the hands of the buyer of labour power — or the supply of means of production and means of subsistence for the worker which he possesses in the form of commodities — first becomes capital through the process of production, it is only in the process transformed into capital, and therefore these things are not capital before they enter into this process, but are only destined to be capital — nevertheless they are *in themselves* capital.

They are in themselves capital because of the independent form in which they confront labour power and labour power confronts them; a relationship which the exchange with labour power and the subsequent process of the actual transformation of labour into capital conditions and consolidates.

They have from the outset the *definite social relationship* to the workers which makes them into capital and gives them command over labour.

They are therefore presupposed to be capital in relation to labour.

Productive labour, consequently, can be so described when it is directly exchanged with money as *capital*, or, what is only a shorter way of saying this, labour which is directly exchanged with capital — that is to say, with money which in itself is capital, which is destined to function as capital or confronts labour power as capital.

The expression: labour which is directly exchanged with capital, implies that the labour is exchanged with money as capital, and thereby transforms it into capital.

The significance of the direct exchange will be seen more clearly in a moment.

Productive labour is therefore labour which reproduces for the worker only the previously determined value of his labour power, but as a value-creating activity increases the value of the capital, or which confronts the worker himself with the values it creates as capital.

In the exchange between capital and labour, as we saw in examining the production process, two essentially different though interdependent aspects have to be distinguished.

First: The first exchange between capital and labour is a formal process, in which capital figures as money and labour power as commodity.

The sale of the labour power takes place conventionally or legally in this first process, although the labour is paid for only after it has been applied, at the end of the day, the week, etc.

This in no way alters the transaction in which the labour power is sold.

What in this transaction is directly sold is not a commodity in which labour has already been realised, but the use of the labour power itself, and therefore in fact the labour itself, as the use of the labour power is its activity, labour.

It is therefore not an exchange of labour mediated through an exchange of commodities.

When A sells boots to B, both exchange labour, one labour realised in boots, the other labour realised in money.

But in the case we are dealing with, on one side materialized labour in its general social form, that is, as money, is exchanged against labour that as yet exists only as a power, and what is bought and sold is the use of this power, that is, the labour itself; although the value of the commodity sold is not the value of the labour (a meaningless expression) but the value of the labour power.

A direct exchange therefore takes place between materialized labour and labour power, which *de facto* resolves itself into living labour; that is, between materialized labour and actual labour.

The wage — the value of the labour power— appears, as explained above, in the form of direct purchase price, the price of the labour.

In this first phase the relation between worker and capitalist is that of seller and buyer of a commodity. The capitalist pays the value of the labour power, that is, the value of the commodity which he buys.

A the same time, however, the labour power is only bought because the labour which it can perform, and undertakes to perform, is greater than the labour required for the reproduction of the labour power, and therefore expresses itself in a value greater than the value of the labour power.

Secondly: The second phase of the *exchange* between capital and labour has in fact nothing to do with the first, and strictly speaking is not an exchange at all.

In the first phase there is an exchange of money and commodity — of equivalents — and worker and capitalist confront each other simply as owners of commodities.

Equivalents are exchanged (that is to say, it makes no difference to the transaction when they are exchanged and whether the price of the labour is above or below the value of the labour power or is equal to it, The transaction can therefore take place in accordance with the general law of the exchange of commodities).

In the second phase no exchange at all takes place.

The owner of money has ceased to be a buyer of commodities, and the worker a seller of commodities.

The owner of money functions now as a capitalist. He consumes the commodity which he has bought, and the worker supplies it, since the use of his labour power is his labour itself.

Through the earlier transaction the labour itself has become part of materialized wealth.

The worker performs it, but it belongs to the capital and is only just a function of the latter. It is performed therefore directly under the control and direction of the capital, and the product in which it is materialized is the new form in which the capital appears) or in which rather it realises itself *actu* as capital.

In this process, therefore, the labour materializes itself directly, is transformed directly into capital, after having already been formally incorporated in capital through the first transaction.

And indeed more labour is here transformed into capital than capital was earlier expended in the purchase of labour power.

In this process a part of unpaid labour is appropriated, and only through this is the money transformed into capital.

But although in this phase no exchange in fact takes place, the result, disregarding the intermediary stages, is that in the process — taking both phases together — a definite quantity of materialized labour has exchanged for a greater quantity of living labour.

This finds expression in the result of the process, in the fact that the labour materialized in its product is greater than the labour materialized in the labour power, and is consequently greater than the materialized labour paid to the worker; or that in the actual process the capitalist receives back not only the part of the capital which he expended in wages, but a surplus value which costs him nothing.

The *direct* exchange of labour against capital here signifies (1) the direct transformation of the labour into capital, into a material constituent of capital in the production process; (2) the exchange of a definite quantity of materialized labour against the same quantity of living labour plus an additional quantity of living labour which is appropriated without an equivalent in exchange.

The statement that productive labour is labour which is directly exchanged with capital embraces all these phases, and is only a derivative formula signifying that it is labour which transforms money into capital, which is exchanged with the means of production as capital, and whose relation to them therefore is not at all a relation to simple means of

production, nor in its relation to the means of production is it labour in general, without a specific social character.

This statement covers (1) the relation of money and labour power to each other as commodities, the purchase and sale between the owner of money and the owner of labour power; (2) the direct subsumption of labour under capital; (3) the real transformation of labour into capital in the production process, or what is the same thing, the creation of surplus value for capital.

Two kinds of exchange between labour and capital take place.

The first expresses simply the buying of the labour power and hence *actu* of the labour and hence of its product; the second, the direct transformation of living labour into capital, or its materialization as the embodiment of capital.

The result of the capitalist production process is neither a mere product (use value), nor a commodity, that is, a use value which has a definite exchange value.

Its result, its product, is the creation of surplus value for capital, and hence the actual transformation of money or commodity into capital.

Before the production process they were capital only in intention, in themselves, in their destiny.

In the production process more labour is absorbed than is bought.

This absorption, the appropriation of another's unpaid labour, which is consummated in the production process, is the direct aim of the capitalist production process; for what capital as capital (hence the capitalist as capitalist) wants to produce is neither an immediate use value for self-consumption, nor a commodity to be turned first into money and then into a use value.

Its aim is *the accumulation, the expansion of value, its increase*; that is to say, the maintenance of the old value and the creation of surplus value.

And it achieves this *specific product* of the capitalist production process only in exchange with labour, which is therefore called *productive labour*.

OCCUPATION PALESTINE

Palestinian Farmer Shot By Heroic Zionist Occupiers For Picking Watermelons

08/06/2013 Ma'an

GAZA CITY –

A Palestinian farmer was shot and injured by Israeli fire Sunday while he was picking watermelons in Abu Safiyeh neighborhood east of Jabalia, northern Gaza, medics told Ma'an.

Ahmad Hamdin, 21, sustained an injury to his thigh and was evacuated to the Kamal Udwan Hospital in Jabalia, northern Gaza, medics said.

In response to a request for comment, the Israeli army confirmed the injury and said several Palestinians had “attempted to damage” the border fence between Gaza and Israel.

The army said it had asked them to stop approaching the fence, then opened fire at “their lower extremities, identifying a hit.”

[To check out what life is like under a murderous military occupation commanded by foreign terrorists, go to: www.rafahtoday.org The occupied nation is Palestine. The foreign terrorists call themselves “Israeli.”]

CLASS WAR REPORTS



Union Members Rally At Waha Oil Company: They Demand Jihad And Income Taxes Not To Be Levied On Staff Salaries

3 June 2013 Libya Herald

Benghazi: A number of employees of Waha Oil Company demonstrated outside the company's offices in Benghazi's Guwarsha district today, demanding not to have to pay taxes any more and that they be paid double time for working on Fridays, Saturdays and at weekends.

The demonstrations, organised by union activists in the company, were supposed to take place at Waha offices across the country. However, there was no noticeable action outside the Tripoli headquarters.

The union have specifically called for Jihad and Income taxes not to be levied on staff salaries. The three-percent Jihad tax for individuals (four percent of companies) was introduced by the Qaddafi regime, supposedly to fund national defence.

DANGER: POLITICIANS AT WORK



A Letter To Verizon Customers From President Obama:

**“If You Want To Add A Child Or Any
Other Family Member To Your Verizon
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Today, President Obama issued the following letter to all Verizon customers:

Dear Verizon Customers,

Yesterday it came to light that the National Security Agency has been collecting millions of phone records from you each and every day.

Since that news was released, many of you have called the White House with questions and concerns about this new program. To save my time and yours, here are answers to three of the F.A.Q.s (Frequently Asked Questions) we've been hearing from you:

1. Will I be charged extra for this service?

I'm happy to say that the answer is no. While the harvesting and surveillance of your domestic phone calls were not a part of your original Verizon service contract, the National Security Agency is providing this service entirely free of charge.

2. If I add a phone to my account, will those calls also be monitored?

Once again, the answer is good news. If you want to add a child or any other family member to your Verizon account, their phone calls — whom they called, when, and the duration of the call — will all be monitored by the United States government, at no additional cost.

3. Can the National Security Agency help me understand my Verizon bill?

Unfortunately, no. The National Security Agency has tried, but failed, to understand Verizon's bills. Please call Verizon customer service and follow the series of electronic prompts.

I hope I've helped clear up some of the confusion about this exciting new program. But if you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to call the White House. Joe Biden is standing by.

God bless America,

President Obama

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**Egyptian Activist Gets Six Months In
Prison For Saying The Criminal And
Murderer Morsi Is A Criminal And
Murderer**

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CAIRO (AFP) -- An Egyptian opposition youth activist was on Monday sentenced by a Cairo court to six months in prison for insulting President Mohamed Morsi.

Ahmed Duma, who was tried for calling Morsi “a criminal and murderer” during a television broadcast, was also ordered to pay a fine of 200 Egyptian pounds (22 euros).

Duma is the first anti-Morsi activist to be sentenced to a jail term, according to human rights groups.

Dozens of Duma supporters gathered outside the courthouse during the hearing, chanting slogans against the president and the powerful Muslim Brotherhood from which he came, an AFP journalist said.

The official MENA news agency said Duma was accused of spreading “false information and rumours in a television program” and for describing Morsi as a “criminal and murderer who escaped justice”.

Morsi, elected in June last year, has been accused of suppressing or seeking to suppress opponents and journalists who criticise him by accusing them of defamation.

Human rights lawyer Gamal Eid says there were four times more complaints about insults to the president” during the first 200 days of Morsi's presidency than under the Hosni Mubarak's entire 30-year rule.

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6.3.13 Egypt Independent

With 5,544, Egypt witnessed the most protests in the world during the period from 1 January to 31 May, according to a report released Sunday by an Egypt-based research center.

According to the democracy index published by the International Development Center (IDC), the month of May saw 1,300 protests, an average of two protests an hour, 42 a day, and 325 a week.

The report said that 39 different Egyptian social groups staged in May 390 demonstrations, related to work conditions and workers' rights.

Economic and social demands, spurred by violations of workers' rights and deteriorating services, triggered 63.7 percent of the protests, according to the report.

Common citizens, the report outlines, were the second most disruptive segment of society, accounting for 28.4 percent of all demonstrations in May. With 210 protests, activists and politicians staged 16.2 percent of all protests.

Pilots were the latest group to join the wave of protests last month.

Cairo, accounting for 18 percent of all protests, was the most rebellious governorate, followed by Alexandria, Sharqiya, and Gharbiya. The rates in other provinces in the Delta, Upper Egypt, and the border regions were similar.

The wave of protests, as the report explains, reflect in the Egyptian street indignation at the ruling regime and a return to the habit of pressuring state institutions and major corporations in order to retrieve lost rights.

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The number of protests featuring marches dropped to 57 in May, down from 120 in April, the report indicated.

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