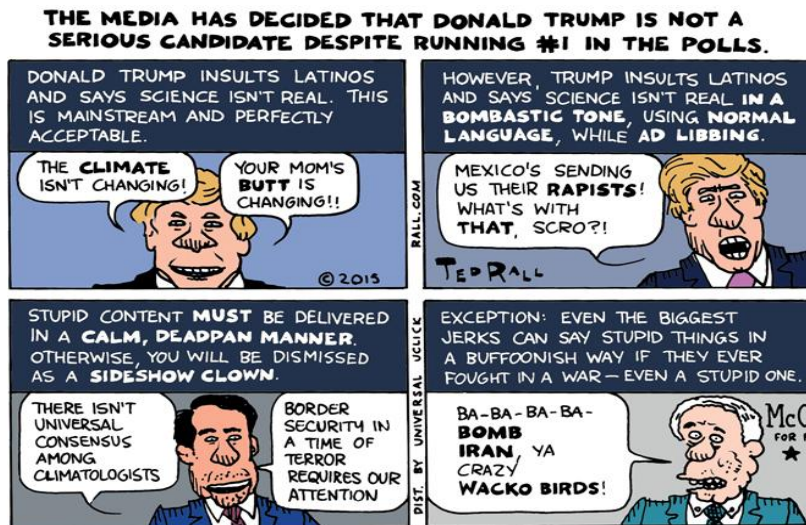


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AFGHANISTAN WAR REPORTS

Taliban Seize Control Of Nawzad District In Helmand Province

Jul 29 2015 Khaama Press

The Taliban militants have taken control of Nawzad district in southern Helmand province of Afghanistan on Wednesday, the local officials said.

A member of the provincial council Atullah Afghan said the district fall to Taliban control following days of heavy clashes between the Taliban militants and Afghan security forces.

A lawmaker in the Upper House of the Parliament – Meshrano Jirga Hashim Alokozay said heavy clashes continued in Nawzad district during the past three days and the government was informed regarding the possible fall of the district of Taliban control.

In the meantime, a local security official said at least eight members of the Afghan army and four members of the Afghan police lost their lives during the heavy gun battle.

A spokesman for the Taliban Qari Yousuf Ahmadi however claimed that heavy casualties were incurred to Afghan forces and said at least 27 members of the Afghan security forces were killed.

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Taliban Statement On Capture Of Nawzad District: “Mujahideen Have Entrapped The Fleeing Enemy Convoy In An Ambush Between Gerishk And Musa Kala Districts”

Jul. 29 Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan

HELMAND – Coordinated attacks launched by Mujahideen on Tuesday against remaining enemy positions around Nawzad district center to have come to an end late afternoon hours today.

Officials say that Mujahideen managed to overrun the PRT building along with 2 more check posts overnight, killing 14 hireling troops as well as seizing RPG launcher with 50 rounds, 6 US rifles, 14 AK variant rifles, a comm. radio, 14000 AK and PKM rounds and other equipment.

The cowardly enemy also abandoned 3 check posts in Garhi Karez area and 2 more around the district center while heavy attacks then targeted the district HQ and police HQ buildings, reports say adding that the entire district center fell to the Mujahideen after the enemy was forced to flee.

Mujahideen seized a lot of arms, ammunition, vehicles and other military equipment while several enemy corpses are said to be still laying in the area.

Officials add that currently Mujahideen have entrapped the fleeing enemy convoy in an ambush between Gerishk and Musa Kala districts and it is likely that the entire contingent will either be captured or completely wiped out.

Taliban Seize Kohistanat District “Afghan Local Police Officer Together With Seven Of His Men Joined Taliban”

Jul 28 2015 By Khaama Press

A member of the provincial council of northern Sar-i-Pul province says that Taliban militants have seized Kohistanat District following heavy clashes with security forces.

Asadullah Khuram said that after heavy clashes the District fell to Taliban hands this morning.

The clashes were ongoing between security forces and Taliban for days and Amanuddin Aman who is spokesman for the provincial police headquarters said yesterday that additional forces were deployed to the area to support the forces on ground against Taliban.

Aman further said that Afghan Local Police officer together with seven of his men joined Taliban. He added that the group had connection with Taliban from before.

Taliban spokesman have also confirmed the clashes between his fighters and security forces and that a police commander has joined the group.

However, report about possible casualties during these clashes had not been released by the time this report was filed.

MORE:

Taliban Statement On Capture Of Kohistanat District

Jul 28 2015 Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan

SARIPUL: Officials reporting from northern Saripul province say that the heroic Mujahideen of Islamic Emirate managed to completely capture Kohistanat district HQ building in an early morning hours operation.

Mujahideen launched their operation about 2 days earlier, quickly taking over a strategic enemy base then marching towards the district center while clearing all the outlying pockets of resistance.

Mujahideen raised the white flag of Islamic Emirate over the district HQ, police HQ and other buildings while seizing 13 enemy vehicles and a sizable amount of arms and ammunition.

Enemy claims of retaking the district center are false. More details about the event will be updated later.

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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

But out of this complicated web of material and psychic forces one conclusion emerges with irrefutable clarity: the more the soldiers in their mass are convinced that the rebels are really rebelling – that this is not a demonstration after which they will have to go back to the barracks and report, that this is a struggle to the death, that the people may win if they join them, and that this winning will not only guarantee impunity, but alleviate the lot of all – the more they realize this, the more willing they are to turn aside their bayonets, or go over with them to the people.

And the highest determination never can, or will, remain unarmed.

-- Leon Trotsky; The History of the Russian Revolution

Sleeping Under The Bridge



From: Mike Hastie
To: Military Resistance Newsletter
Sent: July 30, 2015
Subject: Sleeping Under The Bridge

Sleeping Under The Bridge

**It's called the St. Johns' Bridge.
It's located in Portland, Oregon.
You know... where all those crazy
environmentalists live who are
trying hard to save the planet
from Global Warming.
For most Americans,
Global Warming is two dirty words that
are not allowed in daily conversation.
However, there are 13 Greenpeace activists
who are dangling from, and sleeping under
this bridge to bring attention to Shell Oil's
insane drilling in the Arctic.
An icebreaker, called the "Fennica," is being
repaired in Portland, and is now trying to set
sail under this bridge for its voyage to the Arctic,
where it will assist in the drilling.
These Greenpeace activists will try to stop that
from happening, because they are crazy about
saving our environment.
The U.S. Coast Guard has warned these danglers**

that they are breaking the law.
No doubt, when this Greenpeace action is over,
all of these activists will be jailed and fined.
It is rumored, that one of the supporters of this
political action is a nurse at a Portland hospital.
She works nights in newborn nursery.
When the day shift came on duty yesterday,
they found a strange note on the wall that read:
Thank You Greenpeace.

Mike Hastie
The St. Johns Bridge
Dangling For The Future
July 30, 2015

Photo and caption from the portfolio of Mike Hastie, US Army Medic, Vietnam
1970-71. (For more of his outstanding work, contact at:
hastiemike@earthlink.net) T)

One day while I was in a bunker in Vietnam, a sniper round went over my head.
The person who fired that weapon was not a terrorist, a rebel, an extremist, or a
so-called insurgent. The Vietnamese individual who tried to kill me was a citizen
of Vietnam, who did not want me in his country. This truth escapes millions.

Mike Hastie
U.S. Army Medic
Vietnam 1970-71
December 13, 2004

**Despicable Tsipras Regime Arrests,
Prosecutes, Convicts And Sentences
Anti-Austerity Demonstrators:
“The Government Bears Full Political
Responsibility Not Only Of Arrests,
Beatings And Torture Of The Seven
Activists Who Arrested, But Also For The
Conviction”**

30 July 2015 Left Voice

On Tuesday July 28, the charges faced by three activists arrested on July 15 during the mobilisation in Syntagma Square were announced.

While the police was beating the demonstrators, the government led by Alexis Tsipras was debating the draconian agreement with the Troika.

The activists were sentenced to several months of imprisonment on suspended sentences of three years.



On the afternoon of July 15, more than 15,000 people gathered in Syntagma Square outside Greek Parliament. They were demonstrating against the new austerity plan and Tsipras surrender to Greek's creditors. On that day, Tsipras government was debating a new austerity bill that includes pension reform and tax increases.

These measures are believed to be the toughest since the crisis began and workers, pensioners and youth are the most hit by the new measures.

During the demonstration, the police attacked demonstrators with tear gas and pepper spray. The police – whose members are known for their support to right-wing extremist and xenophobic party Golden Dawn – launched a concerted attack to disperse the anti-austerity protesters using extreme force specially targeting at left-wing groups.

Some of the activists arrested told that while they were beaten and shoved by batons and dragged by the arms, the police officers asked, "Have you voted Syriza?" and when the demonstrators replied "no", the police officers asked, "Have you voted Antarsya?", while kept beating at them.

14 out of the 54 demonstrators arrested during the night of July 15 were prosecuted and sent to trial. The charges were dealt by in two separate trials.

Six out of the 14 demonstrators facing prosecution were charged with a serious criminal offence, accused of using weapons and tossing a Molotov cocktail.

The first trial took place on Wednesday July 22 and was adjourned until further notice.

The outcome of the second trial, against the remaining eight activists, among them two members of OKDE-Spartakos, an organisation within the anti-capitalist coalition ANTARSYA, was revealed on Tuesday July 28.

Three activists were sentenced to several months in jail.

Mikhailis Goudoumas, a member of OKDE-Spartakos, teacher and member of the Union of Workers of the Children Foundation "Pammakaristos", received a thirteen-month jail suspended sentence. Two protesters also received a 32-month, and 12-month jail suspended sentences.

The three protesters received suspended sentences that involve following conditions in a probation order for a period of three years. This means that they will not go directly to prison, but they will have a criminal record. The length of the probation order is 3 years, this means that for that period of time they have to follow certain conditions and if they are found guilty of any criminal offence, whatever small, they will have to go to prison to serve the total length of sentence in jail.

The demonstrators have already appealed against the decision with the judiciary authorities while continuing the campaign and mobilisation calling for the dropping of all charges against them and for the convictions to be overturned.

The remaining 5 activists were absolved. Among them is Manthos Tavoularis, who also is a member of OKDE-Spartakos, a bookseller and the general secretary of the Bookstore Workers' Union in the Attica region of Athens.

Manthos had been arrested when intervened to help his workmates to prevent them to be beaten by the police.

In the trial, the testimony of the police was cast as infallible. It lacked the most basic fair trial guarantees, police officers gave false evidence and acted as 'witnesses' for the prosecutors amid a context of provocations during the court session itself.

The complicity between the judges and the policies was obvious.

What is clear is that the government led by Alexis Tsipras wants to send a warning to anti-austerity activists.

These 'exemplary' sentences against anti-austerity left-wing activist seek to teach a lesson to those who stand up for themselves and fight back against the austerity plan implemented by the government led by Tsipras and the Troika.

They want to make workers, students, young people, pensioners and unemployed people to think employers think twice about taking to the streets and fighting back to oppose austerity.

That explains why the activist received a tough conviction for simply attending a demonstration.

The verdict reveals just how hard the Greek government can be in fighting back against those who opposed their plans.

Although they will not go immediately to prison, the sentence is like a sword of Damocles hanging over all the convicted activists but also over all who are facing to fight for better living working – already impoverished.

For this reason, it is important to redouble our solidarity with the people of Greece.

This is a key moment. The government is asking for toughest measures ever imposed and even more sacrifices to the very people with had deposited their illusions in this government.

The government elected under the promise to put an end to austerity has now aligned with the Troika. It is applying the worst measures ever imposed on Greece since the beginning of the crisis and as if this would not be enough the government is also sending the police to those that are confronting the draconian plan.

We reproduce here the statement issued by OKDE-Spartakos published as soon as the verdict of the trial was announced.

THEY CAN'T FRIGHTEN US-THEY MAKE US ANGRIER

The statement issued by OKDE-Spartakos: Translation Alejandra Ríos

Today, 28th of July, the trial of the seven arrested in July 15th took an end.

Despite an indictment full of holes, and continuing contradictions of police / prosecution witnesses, only four of the seven defendants were judged not-guilty, while the remaining three were sentenced with unprecedented cruelty, without attenuating for any of the three the maximum period of probation, which is three years. The process of appeals has already started.

Among those who acquitted is our comrade Manthos Tavoularis, secretary of the workers Union in bookshops in Athens, who was arrested in his attempt to protect his colleagues from the attacks of the riot police.

The hardness of the judges exhausted on sentences of the three activists who convicted. the only migrant worker and punished one, N.L, convicted with the highest punishment for exemplification, apparently from the "left" government, to all those migrants who dare to organize and demonstrate.

The worker and member of OKDE-Spartacus and ANTARSYA, our comrade Michalis Goudoumas, also convicted for exemplification and punishment of the Left, which is in opposition and stands in the front line against the Memoranda, regardless of origin. The

last activist G.K. and member of social solidarity structures in his neighborhood was punished, because solidarity is the opposite to individualism and social cannibalism leading the affected majority government SYRIZA-ANEL.

During all the three days of this trial parody, policemen witnesses and their colleagues and friends were present, in order to create a climate of terror and fear both defense witnesses and to solidarity people.

Complaints of defense lawyers went unheeded, while on the other side there were few times that the "friendly smiles" between prosecutor and policemen/witnesses were perceived by our solidarity people` at the same time the defense witnesses were not taken into account from the judges, such as the 83 solidarity declarations of unions, social and political organizations from all the world and also the 2700 signatures and personal statements of solidarity that we tabled during the trial.

The government of SYRIZA-ANEL, walking faithfully in the footsteps of its predecessors, proves that it cannot implement new measures of destruction of workers and popular classes and complete the coup perversion of mass class NO, without resorting to the ultimate form of social precedence: State-police violence and repression.

The government bears full political responsibility not only of arrests, beatings and torture of the seven activists who arrested, but also for the conviction of three activists.

Political leadership of Deputy Minister Giannis Panousis (Ministry "of the Protection of the Citizen") and doctrine "batter all the hardest you can" and "arrest anyone" is not exclusive only to the previous governments.

Nikos Dendias' police (minister of New Democracy government), has nothing to envy from the police of SYRIZA-ANEL.

As said, during his defense speech, by one of the accused: "they were beating us commenting to each other (members of the riot police) that they haven't felt so well since 2012".

The bourgeois state continues, the state repression continues and political responsibilities rest not only to the government itself, but every organization and member of SYRIZA, who refused to stand in solidarity and denounce his/her party.

"Solidarity under some circumstances" has no place either in our Left, nor in the world we want to build.

The government is destroying every day the last illusions about its intentions as regards to the movement.

The government votes new Memorandum in tandem with the bourgeois parties, the demands of media establishment, local and European capital, the EU and the IMF.

They choose to attack, unleashing and activating the well-known mechanisms of repression, systematic targeting the youth, workers, trade unionists and political organizations and collectives who gave everything in the last years for the

struggle against austerity, memoranda, draft laws and authoritarianism, which won the battle of NO in the referendum, fighting for the emancipation of the working majority and its liberation from capitalist hell.

The final government commitment to the side of the bourgeois political world and capital neither surprised nor frightened us.

Those who think they can impose their order on the workers, youth, immigrants in poverty and violence, will always find us in front of them and will they will have the fate of previous governments.

Whatever they do, as many trials they make against us, as many fake charges they bring against us, we will be in the streets.

OKDE-Spartacus, being at the forefront of the struggle for so many years, will not fear the rigged trials or convictions.

We were and we remain at the forefront, against memoranda, the government of SYRIZA-ANEL and any other bourgeois government.

We were and we remain at the forefront, against these and any other measures to come to affect the social majority.

We were and we remain at the forefront in the defense of workers' rights.

We were and we remain at the forefront, to stop the exploitation and oppression. We were and we remain at the forefront of the struggle until we win!

OKDE-Spartakos

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Tsipras Of Greece: Stupid Liar Champion Of 2015, So Far

From: ioannis aposperites [Greece] via Marxism [Excerpt]

Subject: Greece: the trial of the arrested in July 15th

Date: Jul 30, 2015

Yesterday in an interview to the SYRIZA's radio "stokokkino" Tsipras alluded to 15 agents provocateurs agents of some foreign power's intelligence services arrested by the police during its assault against the protesters on July 15.

In fact there were 6-7 foreigners among the arrested. They were just tourists unlucky enough to be found in the wrong place at the wrong moment. They alerted their embassies and were liberated with no charges.

Pentagon Regrets Taking Out Payday Loan for F-35



Duffel Blog image from Air Force photo

July 31, 2015 by Dirk Diggler, The Duffel Blog

Air Force News, The Pentagon

THE PENTAGON — Defense Department Comptroller Mike McCord has expressed regret with the Pentagon’s decision to cover the spiraling cost-overruns of the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter with a payday loan, sources have learned.

“We had some trouble scraping together a few billion dollars to tide us over until the end of the Fiscal Year, and we thought we could get by with a payday loan,” McCord reportedly told Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter. “We thought we’d be able to repay the loan in October, when we got our new Fiscal Year paycheck. But sequestration happened, and, well, we couldn’t pay back the loan right away.”

Sources inside the DOD claim McCord secured a loan for approximately \$3.2 billion from E-Z Cash USA on Yadkin Road, just outside Fort Bragg, N.C.

“We thought it was a little unusual,” said Mike Temple, manager of E-Z Cash USA, “but we figured he was going to buy a really nice grill from Sunny’s Gold Teeth.”

Defense analysts at the Center for a New American Security (CNAS) suspect the poor return on investment from the F-35 program are largely linked to the payday loan.

“We thought it was a little odd we’ve only seen a handful of fighter jets, having spent over a hundred billion on the F-35. Turns out, we were just repaying the interest on the loan,” said analyst Roger Munter at the Washington-based think-tank.

According to CNAS, the US should finish repaying the loan for the F-35 sometime around the year 3245.

ANNIVERSARIES

August 3, 1913: Horrible Anniversary The Wheatland Massacre

Carl Bunin Peace History July 30-Aug 5

Four died in the Wheatland riots when police fired into a crowd of California Hop pickers trying to organize (with the help of the IWW, or Industrial Workers of the World) at the Durst Ranch in Wheatland, California.

Hundreds of workers — whites, Mexicans, and Filipinos — lay down their tools because of terrible working conditions, low wages, and an almost complete lack of sanitation and decent housing.

August 4, 1964: Lying Lyndon Johnson Fakes The USA Into Escalation In Vietnam

Carl Bunin Peace History July 30-Aug 5

A second attack on U.S. naval ships in Vietnam's Gulf of Tonkin was reported by the Pentagon.

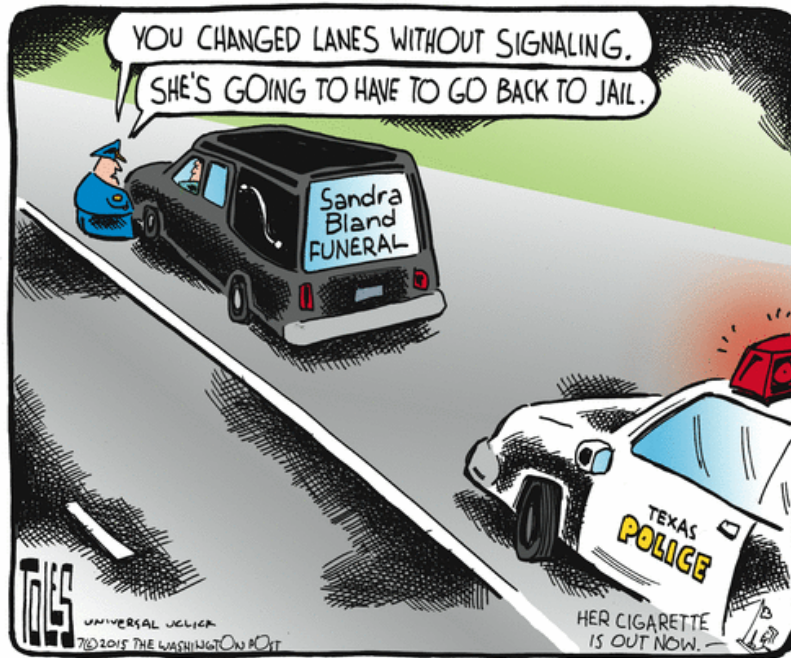
But there was no such activity reported by the task force commander in the Gulf, Captain John J. Herrick.

One of the Navy pilots flying overhead that night was squadron commander James Stockdale, later held as a POW by the North Vietnamese for more than seven years, and Ross Perot's vice presidential candidate in 1992.

"I had the best seat in the house to watch that event," recalled Stockdale, "and our destroyers were just shooting at phantom targets — there were no PT boats there.... There was nothing there but black water and American firepower."

Nearly three decades later, during the Gulf War, Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Sydney Schanberg warned journalists not to forget "our unquestioning chorus of agreeability when Lyndon Johnson bamboozled us with his fabrication of the Gulf of Tonkin incident"

CLASS WAR REPORTS



Native Americans Killed By Cops At Highest Rate Of Any Ethnic Group In The U.S.

[Thanks to Sandy Kelson, Veteran & Military Resistance Organization, who sent this in.]

Jul. 15, 2015 By AJ Vicens, Mother Jones

Nearly 100 people demonstrated in downtown Denver earlier this week after police there shot and killed 35-year-old Paul Castaway on July 12.

Police said the man was coming towards an officer with a knife, but his family and witnesses on the scene dispute those claims and say he was pointing the knife toward himself.

The shooting comes a little more than a month after two Denver Police officers were cleared in the shooting death of Jessie Hernandez, a 17-year-old girl killed in January when the officers fired into a stolen car she was supposedly driving toward them in an alley.

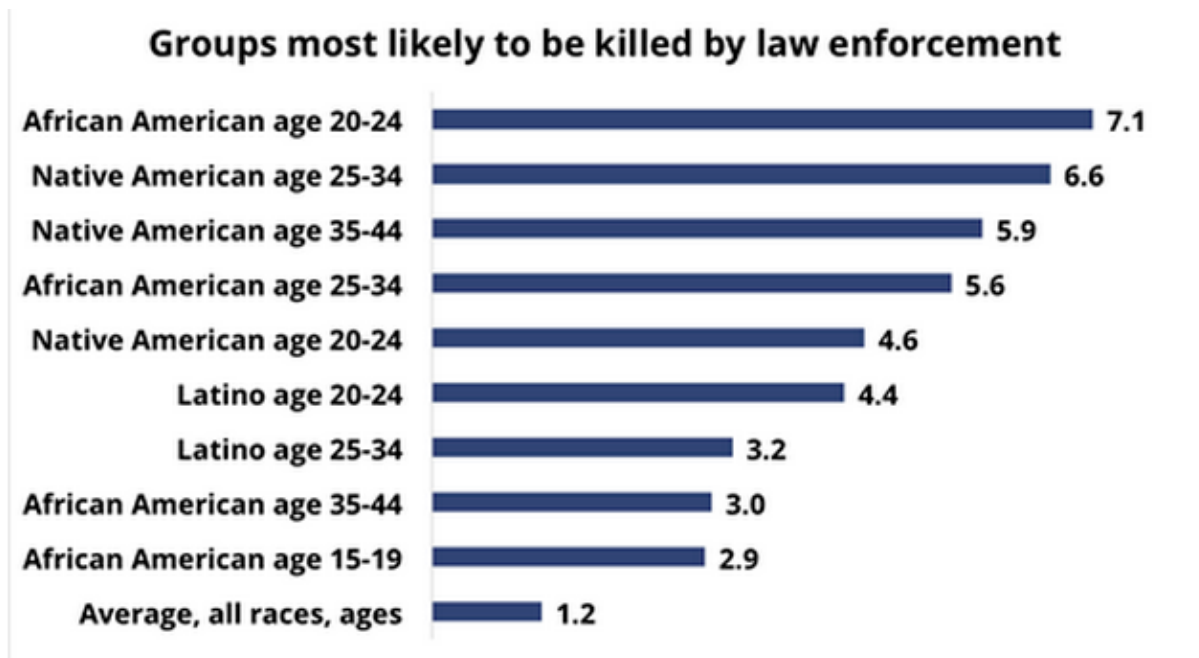
According to his mother, Castaway struggled with schizophrenia and alcoholism. Witnesses say he was holding a knife to his own throat and didn't threaten officers, according to the Denver Post.

Castaway was shot four times and died later that night. Denver Police Department spokesman, Sonny Jackson, told the Post that the department is reviewing the incident, and that the officers involved will be named soon.

Castaway was a Lakota Sioux.

His death brings up a rarely-discussed aspect of the ongoing conversation around police brutality in the United States: Native Americans are more likely than most other racial groups to be killed by police. Indian Country Today noted that according to the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice, a nonprofit organization that studies incarceration and criminal justice issues, police kill Native Americans at a higher rate than any other ethnic group.

The center's analysis relied on data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Center for Health Statistics. It found that Native Americans, making up just .8 percent of the population, are the victims in 1.9 percent of police killings. When the numbers are broken down further, they reveal that Native Americans make up *three of the top five top age-groups killed by law enforcement:



Rate of law enforcement killings, per million population per year, 1999-2011.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Health Statistics.

"This is a reflection of an endemic problem in the perception of non-white people when it comes to the administration of justice," Chase Iron Eyes, an attorney with the Lakota People's Law Project in South Dakota, told Mother Jones.

The group put out a report called "Native Lives Matter" in February discussing various ways the justice system disproportionately impacts Native Americans. He said the US Department of Justice needs to address police violence against Native Americans and that Castaway's death is only the most recent example of the problem.

"You can tell they're shooting out of fear," he said. "If it's not out of hate, for some reason they're pulling the trigger before determining what the situation actually is. Something does need to happen. Somebody does need to take a look and we need help."

OCCUPATION PALESTINE

Zionists Burn Alive Sleeping Palestinian 18 Month-Old: Family Of Slain Palestinian Infant Clings To Life; “The Consequence Of A Culture Of Hate Funded And Incentivized By The Israeli Government”

July 31, 2015 by Jon Queally, staff writer; Common Dreams

Outrage is rippling across the occupied West Bank, Gaza Strip, and beyond on Friday as news spreads that an 18-month-old infant was killed and his family members severely injured after Israeli settlers allegedly firebombed their home overnight.

The infant, identified in various media outlets as Ali Saad Dawabsha, reportedly died at the scene of the fire while his family members—mother, Reham, father, Saad, and four-year-old brother, Ahmad—were airlifted to an Israeli hospital with serious injuries.

The Palestinian family's home was apparently one of two houses targeted in the village of Duma by still unknown assailants who scribbled the Hebrew word for 'revenge' beneath a Star of David on an outside wall.

Ibrahim Dawabsheh, a Duma resident, told Reuters he heard people shouting for help from the house and rushed to it. "I saw two masked men outside," he said, but after going to get help and returning they had gone.

"We found the parents outside with burns, they said there was another son in the house. We brought him out and then they said there was another boy inside, but we couldn't

reach the bedroom because of the fire. He was left inside until rescue forces came," Dawabsheh said.



A Palestinian demonstrator holds up a photo of a one-and-a-half year old boy, Ali Dawabsheh, during clashes at the entrance to Duma village near the West Bank city of Nablus, Aug. 1, 2015. Tensions remain high after Zionist assailants set fire to a West Bank home and burned Ali Dawabsheh, a sleeping Palestinian toddler to death. The child's 4-year-old brother and both his parents were also seriously wounded. (AP Photo/Majdi Mohammed)

While Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu characterized the violence as a "terrorist attack" and said "all means" would be used to bring the perpetrators to justice, rights groups joined many Palestinians in dismissing such statements as little more than rhetoric, especially amid ongoing settlement expansion sanctioned by his government and the increased displacement of those living under the occupation.

Palestinian chief peace negotiator Saeb Erekat said the Palestinian Authority is holding the Israeli government "fully responsible" for the violence—thought to be a possible example of what are known as "price tag" attacks, usually carried out as a form of retribution by illegal settlers in response to curbs on settlement expansion.

"We cannot separate the barbaric attack that took place in Duma last night from the recent settlement approvals by the Israeli government, a government which represents an Israeli national coalition for settlements and apartheid," said Erekat.

The killing of the young boy and the injuries to his family, Erekat continued, "is the consequence of a culture of hate funded and incentivized by the Israeli government and the impunity granted by the international community."

PA President Mahmoud Abbas later said he would appeal to the International Criminal Court (ICC) to open an investigation into the arson attack and called on the United States and other governments to condemn the Israeli government for its ongoing policies in the West Bank.

"We are immediately preparing the file that will be submitted to the ICC," Abbas told reporters as he also denounced the "war crimes and crimes against humanity committed each day by Israelis against the Palestinian people."

Taking a more hardline stance, Hamas responded by declaring that what happened in Duma makes all "Israeli soldiers and settlers legitimate targets for resistance." A spokesperson, Hussam Badran, called for popular action and said Israeli crimes can only be stopped by "comprehensive resistance in all its forms."

Additionally, the Ma'an news agency reports that Popular Resistance Committees are now calling for a "revolution of anger" across cities, villages and streets in Palestine; while the leftist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) has called on Palestinians to "escalate resistance" against Israel and urged the Palestinian leadership to declare a state of emergency.

According to Haaretz, Israeli security officials expressed concern that the killing of Dawabsha "could spark unrest in the West Bank, and fear of rioting and disorder at Temple Mount in Jerusalem prompted restrictions on Muslim worshiper, with only those over 50 being permitted to enter the flashpoint Al-Aqsa Mosque.

Firebombs and stones were reportedly thrown in Jerusalem's Old City, wounding one officer lightly in the early afternoon and massive police forces were being stationed in the area."

Meanwhile, the Israeli rights group B'Tselem said in a statement that it was "only a matter of time" until tragedies like this one took place, given the behavior of settlers in the Occupied Territories and the continued tolerance and support they receive from the Israel government. Impunity for hate crimes, the group said, only "encourages assailants to continue, leading to this morning's horrific result."

According to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, there have been 120 incidents of "settler-related violence" in the West Bank and East Jerusalem so far in 2015, including 78 assaults against property and 42 attacks that resulted in injuries.

As B'Tselem points out, a vast majority of these cases were never solved, and in many of them the Israeli Police did not even bother take elementary investigative actions.

The group called condemnations of the attack from Netanyahu or other Israeli officials "empty rhetoric as long as politicians continue their policy of avoiding enforcement of the law on Israelis who harm Palestinians, and do not deal with the public climate and the incitement which serve as backdrop to these acts."

MORE:

Zionists Kill Two Unarmed Palestinian Teens Protesting Earlier Zionist Murder Of Palestinian Infant



Tala al-Khaldi, 17, sister of Palestinian Laith al-Khaldi, 18, who was killed by Israeli troops over the killing of a Palestinian toddler by suspected Jewish extremists, cries at the family house during his funeral procession, in the village of Jifna, near the West Bank city of Ramallah, Aug. 1, 2015. (AP Photo/Nasser Nasser)

1 August 2015 by Kate Shuttleworth in Jerusalem, Guardian News and Media Limited

The three family members of a toddler burned alive in a West Bank arson attack on Friday are still in a critical condition with life-threatening injuries in a hospital near Tel Aviv.

The fatal arson attack that left 18-month-old Dawabsheh dead, believed to be carried out by Jewish settler extremists on Friday morning, has been called “terror” by both Israeli and Palestinian officials.

The boy’s mother Reham, 27, is in a critical condition after sustaining third-degree burns over up to 90% of her body in the fire that ravaged the family’s four-bedroom home in Duma south-east of Nablus on the West Bank.

Her husband Saad, 30, is also on life support at Soroka medical centre in Be’er Sheva after suffering third degree burns on up to 80% of his body.

Lee Gat, a spokeswoman for Sheba medical centre, the intensive care unit of Tel Hashomer Hospital, told the Guardian the three Dawabsheh family members were still

alive but remained in a critical condition facing life-threatening wounds. Reham is facing the most serious wounds and is on life support.

The least injured of the three family members is their four-year-old son Ahmad who suffered second-degree burns of his body and is at the same hospital as his mother.

While the incident has been roundly condemned internationally it has generated widespread protest and violence across the West Bank and east Jerusalem.

South of Nablus in nearby Duma, where the Dawabsheh infant died, settlers from the outpost of Esh Kodesh clashed with Palestinians. There were no reported injuries but according to reports Israeli forces arrived at the scene, cordoning it off and labelling it a "closed military zone".

Two Palestinians have been killed in the past 24 hours after the fatal arson attack. On Saturday morning a Palestinian youth was killed by Israeli forces in Ramallah in the wake of violent West Bank clashes that erupted after 18-month-old Dawabsheh was killed in an arson attack.

According to Palestinian medical officials, Laith Fadel al-Khaladi, 17, from Jifna near Ramallah, died early on Saturday after he was shot by Israeli sniper fire during clashes at Atara checkpoint near Bir Zeit.

The teenager was taken to a hospital in Ramallah where he died overnight.

Earlier on Friday Mohammed al-Masri, also 17, from Gaza was killed by Israeli army fire as he reportedly approached the border fence during a youth protest against the arson attack.

According to the Israeli Defence Force, soldiers fired twice at Palestinians approaching the border fence with Israel in the northern Gaza strip. The army said at first Palestinians approached the fence and were 30 metres away. Israeli soldiers tried to stop them getting closer by shooting into the air.

The IDF said they then fired at two men who did not leave the area near the fence, claiming they aimed below their waistlines. The men then moved away from the fenced area separating Gaza and Israel.

Israel forces fired a second round of ammunition after they said five Palestinians threw stones at the border fence. The IDF said they fired at the legs of the protesters. Mohammed al-Masri was killed during the second round of fire.

Dozens of other Palestinians were injured in clashes across the West Bank on Friday. Another Palestinian youth in Hebron was shot in the leg during violent protests and another four were injured when the IDF fired tear gas and rubber bullets at stone-throwers near Halhul in the West Bank.

Clashes broke out overnight in East Jerusalem. In Shuaafat refugee camp another Palestinian was seriously injured with a rubber-coated steel bullet allegedly fired at his head and another 11 were injured during clashes.

In Beit Hanina fire bombs were thrown at Pisgat Ze'ev, a Jewish settlement with over 50,000 residents.

Enemy Occupation Gang Attacks Palestinian Bus Driver: “Spraying His Face With Pepper Spray Before Beating Him Up, And Tried To Tie Him To His Seat”

July 28, 2015 by IMEMC News

A number of Israeli extremists attacked, on Monday at night, a Palestinian bus driver, working for the Egged Bus Company, by spraying his face with pepper spray before beating him up, and tried to tie him to his seat.

The driver, Mohammad Barakat, 38 years of age, from the al-'Ezariyya town in Jerusalem, said the attack was carried out by two Israelis who first used pepper spray before proceeding to assault him.

The two boarded the bus, and remained in it, until it reached its final station in the Ma'alot Dafna illegal settlement, west of Sheikh Jarrah, where they assaulted the Palestinian driver.

Barakat told the Wadi Hilweh Information Center in Silwan that the two assailants refused to pay for the tickets, remained in the bus for 45 minutes until it reached its final station, and ran away after assaulting him.

He then appealed to bystanders who called the police; the officers refused to take his statement, and told him he needed to head to their station in Salah Ed-Deen Street, to file an official complaint.

Earlier on Monday, undercover soldiers of the Israeli military kidnapped a young Palestinian man, identified as Ahmad 'Asaleyya, from occupied East Jerusalem, after he intervened to help a woman who was being harassed by Israeli extremists near the Chain Gate in Jerusalem.

“We Announce World-Wide That The Zionists Are Not A Part Of The Jewish

Nation And The Name 'Israel' Is A Terrible Forgery”

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AL-QUDS, PALESTINE
July 31 '15

In the Name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Merciful

CONDEMNATION OF THE CRUEL ZIONIST BRUTAL MURDERS

We Palestinian Jews are participating in the grief and deep sorrow of the Dawabsha family, of the shocking murder in cold blood by Zionist murders their beloved baby Ali saad, may he rest in peace.

We are sending our deep consolations in the name of the Jewish nation to the mourning family. We strongly condemn the cruel and shocking murder that was committed, a thing that is strongly against the Jewish religion, which is one of the Ten Commandments is: "thou shalt not kill". We wish a complete recovery to all the wounded in the family by the bloodthirsty Zionists.

Our heart is bleeding when we see the constant cruel suppression against our helpless and defenseless Palestinian brothers of the Zionist imperialism.

We demand of the U.N. and all of the human rights organizations to send to Palestine international forces that will protect the lives of our Palestinian brothers from the Zionist indiscriminate attacks and vandalism.

The blood of our Palestinian brothers is screaming to us from the ground!!!

It is high time for the Palestinian leaders to invest the greatest efforts in the Zionists' genocidal crimes! Bring their perpetrators, political leaders and military personnel alike, to the International Criminal Court in The Hague.

We announce world-wide that the Zionists are not a part of the Jewish nation and the name "Israel" is a terrible forgery.

We pray to Allah that the Zionist entity should disappear from the map. The sovereignty should return to the Palestinian regime on all of Palestine, with Al-Quds as its capital city.

In this opportunity we are sending our deep condolences to all of the Palestinian families who have lost family members by the Zionist murders in the last few weeks. We are praying to Allah for the complete healing of all the wounded by the Zionist cruel forces.

We hope for the day when we will be able to live in peace with our Palestinian brothers, the way we lived in Palestine before the Zionist occupation. May the Allah reveal His glory throughout the world, and bring about a time when all humanity will serve Him in harmony and joy. INSHALLAH.

Signed in pain and anger,
Rabbi Meir Hirsh
Leader of Neturei Karta Palestine

To check out what life is like under a murderous military occupation commanded by foreign terrorists, go to:

<http://www.maannews.net/eng/Default.aspx> and

<http://www.palestinemonitor.org/list.php?id=ej898ra7yff0ukmf16>

The occupied nation is Palestine. The foreign terrorists call themselves “Israeli.”

DO YOU HAVE A FRIEND OR RELATIVE IN THE MILITARY?



U.S. soldier in Bejjia village Iraq, Feb. 4, 2008. (AP Photo/Maya Alleruzzo)

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VIETNAM GI: REPRINTS AVAILABLE

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"... he threw his rifle at his Commanding Officer.."



WHEN HAWKS RETIRE

All of us who've had our "free" trips to Saigay Nam and Sonay Korea shouldn't feel guilty about accepting such "gifts" from the Government. Lots of hawk politicians are taking Government trips too. Of course, their trips are a little bit different.

Like Senator Edward V. Long (D-Mo.), the Senate Judiciary Committee tonight wants retirement in January was speeded up by graft scandals. The good Senator decided that as a last sacrifice to his country he would give himself TDY to Europe. The crates was to get forward information on foreign aid and military assistance programs. Doubtless, that's why he took his wife along.

Of special interest was his visit to

Switzerland, which neither gets US aid nor wants any. It doesn't really make any difference, since as soon as Senator Long returned from his "fact-finding mission" he retired from the Senate, thus depriving our Congress of all his "facts" (mostly on nightclubs and nice hotels).

Going to and from Europe Long traveled on Senate funds, but while on TDY there, he economized by using US military surplus, cars and chauffeurs to get around. The Pentagon ordered the red carpet rolled out around the world. Nothing too good for a retiring hawk politician. As the saying goes, in America we're all equal — only some are more equal than others!

As we go to press we learn that the government has finally agreed on the shape of the table and seating arrangements for the Paris talks. Now that everyone is seated and comfortable, maybe we can expand further "breakthroughs."

The grim fact is that while the government hawks are living in Paris, thousands of our buddies are still dying in Nam. In fact, since they began talking last May 7,000 GIs have been killed in action.

Talks or no talks, the only solution is to get the rest out of Nam, immediately. Stop talking and start bringing us home.

The next issue of VGI will discuss the Paris talks in greater detail. By that time you will have more information on the subject.

Below is an interview with a Marine who didn't like the war and figured out why. This guy is a Platoon SGT with the years in the Green Machine, and over a year in Nam, mostly in long range recon with Charlie Company, 3rd Reconnaissance Battalion, VGI speaks to him while he was on leave visiting his second Nam year. Since he doesn't ETS until 1972 we've left out his name.

VGI: How did you feel about the war when you went over there. Did your feelings change?

A: When I first went over there, I thought it would be a great thing to go to, and a great new experience of being in war. I really thought it was going to be something different. But then I got put on some of these patrols and I got to see the people and got to talk to the people. This was the big thing that finally changed me. I finally saw that it wasn't worth while, and that they actually don't want our help because it actually isn't help.

VGI: Did you have any contacts with the Vietnamese, with the people?

A: There was a place called Ben Son and for a while I was stationed down at the bridge there. This is where I lived, ate, slept, drank, everything. There were houses right next to my bunker, we had an address for our own and we gave everybody else addresses. We explained to the people what the addresses were and they got all shook up about the whole thing, 'cos, they got addresses too.

VGI: What was it like, living there?

A: We lived with them, we shared our food with them. They used to walk up for the little treats in the crates, the gum and the occasional cigarettes and everything, and in turn they'd bring back bananas. There was this one girl, her name was—I can't think of her name now—I had her picture but I lost it. This one girl, she really stands out in my mind because she used to come over and bring us beer every day and in turn, all she expected from us was the empty boxes of crates, that's all she wanted, the empty boxes. But then we started putting little things in the empty boxes and told her we wanted her to have them.

VGI: What would she want with the empty boxes?

A: I don't know, the Vietnamese people, they could take an empty tin of nothing and make something out of it. She made me a sculpture which she had made out of a 6-ounce tin. She had pounded it out with a nail and a hammer. It had a little Buddha on it and I wore it all the time. I actually got to feel naked after I lost it.

One year, later on, during the Tet holidays, the Viet Cong came in and burned out half of the village, in order to stop them, the VC took this girl and they cut off her breasts. She was brought up to the hospital and later she died.

VGI: Did the brass give you any stark-awake lessons while in Vietnam?

A: The incident where I almost got into trouble was, there was a convoy of about 12 to 14 trucks. I think it was our main supply train, the VC took this girl and they cut off her breasts. She was brought up to the hospital and later she died.

the sleep. We dropped off something like 14 sheets of plywood. Naturally, when we got back, there was one truckload of plywood missing, and they asked where it was. They later found out that I had given it to this village chief, not for my own good relations with him, but because there was a time when we didn't get enough of our observation posts, and they brought us food. So we gave them something else in return.

interview

VGI: What are some of the things you saw and did that led you into deciding in the middle of Nam not to fight anymore?

A: Well, I saw times when COL Bill Fisher, when he would tell his men to dismantle their personal-owning flame-throwers take them out on a company deep and put them back together once they got out. He went into a village and told them, "Are there any Viet Cong here?" The village chief naturally said "No" because he knew that if he said yes, he didn't know what'd happen to him. Then COL Fisher said, "Well, if there is any Viet Cong in this village, we'll show you what's going to happen." He sent one of his flame men up to the house, he didn't check to see if there was anybody in it or not. Later we found out there was a woman in there who was real sick, she couldn't move or anything. She was burned to death. It was terrible. And seeing guys being carried in on stretchers. A 140-pound man weighed about two pounds after he was brought in as a sack of raw flesh or something like that.

VGI: Did you see any other incidents like that?

A: There was this little village just out of Ben Son where we bought our rice and got our rice. It's not poetry, it's really true. It was just this small village, maybe 15 or 17 houses. It was a "gray so white" village, all and on there'd be Viet Cong waiting the area. No hospitals at all, they'd just go in there to be resupplied. Yet one day, they found out that VC were coming into that village and they called "Puff", "Puff" came over and leveled the whole village down. I think maybe three people lived out of the whole thing. One was a little baby about two years old whose mother and father was gone.

One of the guys sort of adopted this kid, this little two year old. He took this kid real close. When we went on R and R we brought him back toys and trucks and things like that. It was really something, because they don't get too many trucks over there. We'd round up a few dump trucks and stuff like that from Hong Kong. They were really surprised to see the new toys. I mean, the toys they play with, old-fashioned cars and stuff like that are these toys. They're a fascinating people. If you just have an opportunity to see them, to get to know them. They're really great.

VGI: How do you think they feel about us?

A: The one incident—I know of the better one north Vietnam who was down south wrote to his brother in north who was intent on coming down

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Edited by Vietnam Veteran Jeff Sharlet from 1968 until his death, this newspaper rocked the world, attracting attention even from Time Magazine, and extremely hostile attention from the chain of command.

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