

Another world is possible

The fight against Trump's growing fascism and the long-term perspective of a world which is not ruled by capital

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Trump represents
the rule of capital



and so does the
Democratic party

All over the country anger is growing at Trump and his MAGA movement, which is working to instill an atmosphere of fear among millions of people, from immigrants to government workers to minorities of all types. Trump is openly flouting laws which protect democratic rights, and his goons have jailed activists for writing editorials, shot journalists with rubber bullets, and arrested or assaulted officials who were carrying out their official duties, such as Newark Mayor Ras Baraka, Circuit Court judge Judge Hannah Dugan, U.S. Senator Alex Padilla, as well as a member of Congress.

Trump is ruling by decree and seeking to purge every branch of government and every institution, public or private, of any opposition to the whims of the most conservative section of the capitalist class. He is pushing huge, relentless cutbacks in social programs, the deregulation of the entire economy, and massive subsidies to the rich. Trump is allied with the white supremacists, religious bigots, neo-fascist gangs, and the interests of the worst sections of big capital, such as those who profit from bringing climate disaster closer.

Trump is getting away with this because our **ruling capitalist class** (ie: the bourgeoisie) is willing to accept the elimination of democratic niceties in exchange for tax cuts, deregulation, climate change denial, and the suppression of popular movements. This exploiting class is focused on the immediate search for more and more ►

Opposition to Trump will be polarized
on the basis of class politics

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Be acceptable to
Democratic Party

- Do the "smart" thing -- be "respectable"
- Put your hopes in the Democratic Party and sacred ruling class institutions
- Throw Palestinians, immigrants and transgender people under the bus
- Look nice, sound nice, act nice
- Do not say, do or even think anything that might offend or frighten big donors
- Dig a hole in the ground and hide

Independent
Class Politics

- Solidarity with immigrants,
- Solidarity with Palestinians
- Solidarity with transgender people
- Solidarity with workers and everyone under attack
- Class struggle against imperialism
- Transparency and the truth about everything
- Build independent organization

► profit, as it ignores the major problems piling up in the world.

The Democratic Party is part of the problem

Many people today are hoping that the Democratic Party will act to stop Trump, and bring things back to the way we were. Dream on! We should remember that it was the corrupt and out-of-touch Democratic Party that helped Trump get elected because of its lengthy history of **broken promises to workers** and **abject servitude to the ruling bourgeoisie**. This created an opening for Trump to copy the tactics of Hitler and Mussolini and win the support of downtrodden sections of the working class (who were **desperate for change**) by claiming to be opposed to the status quo and the outrages of our ruling class.

When people can't trace their suffering to the opaque circuits of finance capital or structural decay, they **grab hold of whatever narratives are given to them** by fascist-minded demagogues backed by news networks to deflect their anger onto convenient scapegoats such as Mexican migrants, Chinese labor, Muslims, Trans people, refugees, climate protesters and leftists. Anyone but landlords, monopolies, financiers, and the fossil fuel giants. ►

Today, the Democratic Party has organized the June 14 "No Kings" protests in two thousand cities--and that is good. Everyone should go to these kinds of actions. But we also need to understand that the Democratic Party is playing a **dual role**: it wants our votes for the 2026 midterm elections and must do *something* to make a show of opposing Trump.

But--on the other hand--the Democratic Party serves our ruling class--and is tasked with channeling opposition to Trump into "safe" channels which do not threaten ruling class interests. This is why, for example, none of speakers at the thousands of June 14 protests are likely to even mention the **genocide in Gaza** where the true death toll is probably **half a million** and climbing as the Palestinian population is **systematically starved** by US imperialism's strategic ally Israel. And this is why the Democratic Party has not dropped its talk of bipartisanship, nor changed much of anything it has been doing.

Radical left is confused and paralyzed

All of the problems of the world today are traceable to the rule of society by the servants of capital. One might think that the **radical left** would be able to give people a clear perspective of the nature of our **problems** and the **solutions** which are necessary. Unfortunately, the radical left is currently confused and paralysed by a crisis of orientation and theory that has left it largely incapable of knowing which way is up.

Many sections of the left are little more than **funnels** which channel people into the hopeless task of reforming the Democratic Party. Other sections function as **cheerleaders** for Putinite fascism or Chinese imperialism. No section of the radical left is capable of giving an **accurate explanation** of what "socialism" is or how humanity can bring it about.

We need a common public domain information platform

The ideas which dominate society come from media and social media that is controlled and regulated by the servants of capital. In the decades ahead, however, technological, economic and political factors will be removing the ability of capital to control this information space. The truth about everything will emerge from the haze of lies as our world becomes **transparent**. This simple fact gives us optimism, and helps us to see the way forward to a world of peace, abundance, genuine community and sanity for everyone. ■

**"The old world is dying,
and the new world
struggles to be born:
now is the time of
monsters."**

– Antonio Gramsci

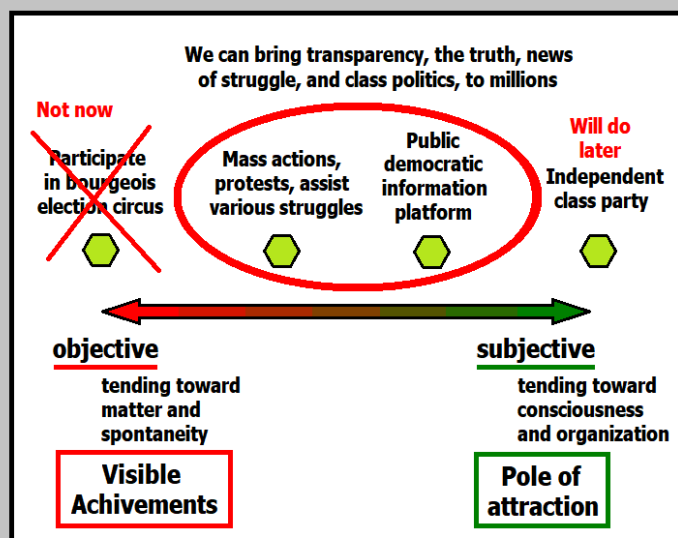
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What is to be done?

**What work will be decisive to defeat Trump
and build a movement for a better world?**



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