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## **This July 4th: Demonstrate How to Dishonor the American Flag**

**WE**

**AN END TO INSTITUTIONALIZED RACISM AND MURDER BY POLICE—*NOTHING LESS!***

**DEMAND:**

**AN END TO ANY WAY PEOPLE ANYWHERE ARE USED, ABUSED, AND BRUTALIZED—*NOTHING LESS!***

**WE NEED: REVOLUTION—*NOTHING LESS!***

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The Revolution Club challenges you this July 4th to think about the following from Bob Avakian, a radically different leader with a whole new framework for human emancipation:

"If you can conceive of a world without America—without everything America stands for and everything it does in the world—then you've already taken great strides and begun to get at least a glimpse of a whole new world. If you can envision a world without any imperialism, exploitation, oppression—and the whole philosophy that rationalizes it—a world without division into classes or even different nations, and all the narrow-minded, selfish, outmoded ideas that uphold this; if you can envision all this, then you have the basis for proletarian internationalism. And once you have raised your sights to all this, how could you not feel compelled to take an active part in the world historic struggle to realize it; why would you want to lower your sights to anything less? "

**-Bob Avakian, *Basics* 1:31**

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The U.S.A. was founded on enslavement of Black people and genocide against Native Americans. It expanded through war—stealing large parts of Mexico and continuing to drive native people off their land.

The U.S.A., on the original foundation of slavery and genocide, has since built itself up as a world-wide empire of plunder and exploitation. Its wealth and power built up through Jim Crow Segregation followed by a New Jim Crow of mass incarceration targeting Black people and other people of color; and through invasions and genocidal wars, CIA coup d'états and assassinations, and support for murderous regimes all through Africa, Asia, South America, the Middle East...

**On July 4th, all of *this* is CELEBRATED as 'greatness'!!!!?? WTF!?**

**This July 4th...** as people around the world have stood up to say NO MORE to racism and murder by police... as people confront what kind of country it is that we live in, and its real history... as people defy police batons, arrests, and tear gas... a beautiful uprising has come into being. While Democratic mayors and governors have used their pig forces and called in the National Guard, this is not enough for the fascist Trump regime. Trump has threatened to send in the military into the cities to crush the Black Lives Matter uprising. He is threatening 10 years in prison for people righteously pulling down white supremacist statues.

And now he has declared that burning the American flag should be illegal, asking the Supreme Court to reconsider the Texas v Johnson ruling that made flag burning constitutionally protected Speech.

As the defendant in that case Joey Johnson has replied: "Fuck Donald Trump. I am determined to defy Trump on July 4th," Johnson states, "by burning an American flag as a fitting symbol of Trump and his fascist regime." And Joey has called on everyone who opposes the crimes of this empire to join him in doing that!

**This July 4th** The Revolution Club joins with Joey's call. And we call on you to not only be part of condemning MAGA—'America First' chauvinism—but to **be part of bringing a radically different world into being where people from all over the globe, act together for the common good and are truly caretakers of the earth by making REVOLUTION - NOTHING LESS!** Join with us to take action that day, and to learn about the revolutionary leader Bob Avakian and get into the strategic plan he has developed for how to make this revolution, and the sweeping vision and concrete blueprint for a radically different kind of society that can be found in the Constitution for the New Socialist Republic in North America that he authored.

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