



Raging oil fires and leaks in Nigeria, like the one in this photo, have become commonplace over the last 50 years and have claimed people's lives, destroyed their crops and fishing, and severely impacted the overall ecology. These are caused by oil companies like Exxon and Shell that control most of the oil pumped out of Nigeria and other countries around the globe. This kind of horror cannot be stopped without bringing the capitalist-imperialist system itself to an end and bringing into being, through communist revolution, an entirely different world.

There is nothing more *unrealistic* than the idea of reforming this system into something that would come anywhere near being in the interests of the great majority of people and ultimately of humanity as a whole.

**Bob Avakian, *BAsics* 3:2**