

From Ferguson to Detroit: The Fight against Racism and the Economic Crisis

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On Nov. 24 the Grand Jury in Missouri delivered their decision not to indict white police officer Darren Wilson for the brutal killing of 18-year-old African American youth Michael Brown on Aug. 9 in Ferguson. This decision speaks volumes about the current social status of African Americans in the United States.

Yet the militant response to this travesty of injustice has sparked widespread resistance around the country. Unrest in Ferguson and surrounding communities has prompted a national movement from New York and Boston all the way to Los Angeles and Oakland.

Youth and workers are blockading streets and highways; shutting down shopping malls where corporations paying slave wages to their employees are reaping billions in profits every year.

In the city of Detroit and throughout Michigan we have been subjected to the largest municipal bankruptcy in U.S. history; large-scale theft of retiree health and pension benefits; the expropriation of public assets including schools, parks, lighting and water systems; and the imposition of corporate agents who occupy the reigns of power in government in order to facilitate the exploitation and looting of the majority working class and African American populations.

Please join us this coming Mon., Dec. 8, at the weekly Moratorium NOW! Coalition and Michigan Emergency Committee Against War & Injustice (MECAWI) meeting beginning at 7:00pm. We will discuss the current situation and plan future actions in this ongoing struggle against political repression and forced impoverishment.

Date: Mon. Dec. 8, 2014, 7:00-9:00pm

Location: 5920 Second Ave. at Antoinette, Near WSU in Midtown

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