

# Ending War and Our Police State, Building Peace and Cooperation

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Let's come together to discuss getting the U.S. military AND all mercenary forces out of Afghanistan, Iraq, Pakistan, Yemen, and other regions of the world where they are operating, often without Congressional authorization or public knowledge. And how do we stop attacks by drones that have been taking place around the world in our name. And how do we get NDAA reversed and stop permitting the wanton, capricious, illegal targeting of US citizens and others for surveillance, kidnapping, torture, and murder?

How do we stop the "new slavery" -- the outrageously racist incarceration of primarily Black men as a result of the "war on drugs"? As Michelle Alexander, Ohio State University law professor and author of a 2010 book called "The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness," says, "We have not ended racial caste in America; we have merely redesigned it" by targeting African American men and boys, and even women and girls, in the "war on drugs," demolishing communities and perpetuating a culture of mass incarceration and racial injustice.

The police state has been very much on the minds of Occupy and other peaceful grassroots protesters. Journalists, professors, whistleblowers, public figures, and ordinary people alike have experienced the cruel hand of state.



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