

The authorities are desperately working to suppress the powerful outpourings of resistance to police getting away with murder because those outpourings forced this issue into the consciousness of millions of people in this society. This must not be allowed to happen. The statement below, issued by Cornel West and Carl Dix, can play an important role in ensuring this doesn't happen. To play this role it must bring together people of prominence whose voices have broad impact in society and impact on people everywhere who don't want to see this movement of resistance die down or be beaten down.

Circulate this statement to prominent academics, activists, attorneys, entertainers, public intellectuals and others. Urge them to add their names to it and contribute at least \$200 to make it possible for this statement to be published and promoted in other ways.

The Horror of Cops Getting Away With Killing Again and Again Must STOP!

We face a serious problem in this society: police killing people and facing no punishment for their murderous actions, again and again. These repeated killings target especially Black and Latino people. They concentrate a whole program – mass incarceration and all its consequences, a program many have aptly called the New Jim Crow; a program that rests on top of and enforces overall conditions of harsh deprivation and dehumanizing discrimination.

Last fall, people stood up against this terrible injustice being done. When the killers of Michael Brown and Eric Garner were not even indicted, many, many people refused to accept this in silence. People of different races and nationalities, and from all walks of life, joined together to say, “We Can't Breathe,” in solidarity with those being victimized. Through many different forms of protest and resistance, the entire society was finally forced to confront this burning injustice.

At the time and in the months since, the outpourings of resistance have been answered NOT with justice but instead with repression and the false promises of “understanding” and “reconciliation.” Meanwhile murder by police continues unchecked.

NO! We refuse to live in a society that treats people as less than human because of the color of their skin and acts as though some lives don't matter.

The horror of police, embodying and backed up by the authority of the state, killing so many people and facing no punishment for this must STOP -- and WE pledge to stop it!

Reply at: thismuststop.stmt@gmail.com, to add your name to this statement, and you can donate generously to help ensure this statement is broadly promoted by writing a check to Stop Mass Incarceration/AfGJ with statement in the memo line. This check should be mailed to: **Stop Mass Incarceration Network**, P.O. Box 941, Knickerbocker Station, New York City, NY 10002-0900 This contribution is tax deductible.

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