

An Open Letter To Bernie Supporters:

You are here because you want to see a more just world. So do we.

You may also be here because on some level you get that the regime now in power is *fascist*, and you think campaigning for Bernie is an answer to that.

So we need to talk.

Two points:

One, the world that Bernie says he is fighting for is a more just world... for Americans.

But America grinds up billions of people in the global south to produce the wealth of this country. America suppresses them when they dare to rise up against a regime which the U.S. supports. America plunders the environments of these countries to far more devastating effect.

Bernie not only does not question this, but he speaks of “national security”—a code word for the enforcement and expansion of that horror. Bernie supports human-killing economic sanctions against Venezuela. He supported Israel’s military assaults against the people of Gaza over the past decade.

Face it. Bernie’s dream of a fairer American empire for the people in the U.S. *may* make life easier for some people in the U.S. But why let yourself be constrained by the choices that they put before you? If humanity is to be emancipated, if revolution is to be REAL, that empire must be brought down.

Two, the overriding issue facing humanity right now is the existence of a fascist regime in the White House bent on consolidating its rule. Yes, in the debate, Bernie said impeachment is necessary—but only because of “national security” (there’s that phrase again) and the emoluments clause. First off, far from “violating national security,” Trump is promoting an even more violent strategy to defend America, with stepped up nuclear weapon development and breaking out of nuclear treaties.

But even more, we ask this: What about the children in concentration camps at the border? The virtually open calls for a white supremacist America? The encouragement Trump openly gives to police brutality? The attacks on the rights of women to control their own bodies and the scurrilous assaults of the Justice Department and other arms of the regime against LGBTQ rights? The violations of the rule of law, the evisceration of the public school system in favor of religious schools, the attacks on science itself, and on criticism? **These are FASCIST deeds of a FASCIST regime—and fascism is a word that Bernie refuses to use.** This is like opposing Hitler for his corruption and the notion that he wasn’t defending German national security.

If this fascist regime weathers the storm and consolidates, it’s effect would be devastating for the struggle for justice. But if people in their millions succeed in removing it through massive struggle from below, the horizons would expand in ways we can barely imagine right now.

The cabal of Trumpite white supremacist/American chauvinists and Christian fascist theocrats now in power have said that this is their “last chance.” Do you really think that these fascists will just go along with it if the impeachment or the election go against them? And if they don’t—*then* what?

Right now, today, there are demonstrations in NYC and LA going on that will kick off five weeks of protests, every Saturday, all over the country, demanding that **in the name of humanity, the Trump/Pence fascist regime must be driven OUT NOW.** And then... it’s on. *You are needed in this movement, urgently.* Learn about this at Refusefascism.org. Join this.

And if you really want a world in which not just Americans but all of humanity overcome the fetters of capitalism—then get into Bob Avakian, who’s brought forward a new communism. Read, for instance, the *Constitution for the New Socialist Republic in North America*, that he wrote. Or watch his film *Why We Need An Actual Revolution And How We Can Really Make Revolution*.

We’ll be seeing you.

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**Refuse Fascism protest in New York will be at Trump Tower or Grand Army Plaza
58/59th Streets @ 5th Ave between 3:30 and 4:30 pm**