

*Racist U.S. policies highlighted  
on International Day for the  
Elimination of Racial  
Discrimination*

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**In the Brooklyn borough of New York City, a birthday vigil is celebrated for George Floyd on Oct. 14, 2020; Floyd was murdered by a white Minneapolis police officer on May 25, 2020. (Photo by Reuters)**

March 21st marked the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, an occasion which seems to be out of place in the United States.

This is true more than ever now that Donald Trump, a man known for his "America First" policy at the expense of others and bolstering white supremacy in the U.S., has returned to the White House.

Since taking office two months ago, Trump has been curbing civil rights, partly by arresting or deporting non-citizens, from migrants to university students expressing opposition to Washington's policies, including those supporting the genocide in Gaza.

Racial discrimination in the U.S. can be traced back to the early days of settler violence, the Native American genocide, the African slave trade, up until the Jim Crow system and the segregation of African Americans by the U.S. government.

Fought against by revolutionary leaders such as Malcolm X, this resulted in the historical civil rights movement of 1964.

Sixty-one years later, Trump has brought back the threat of white supremacy, unfiltered and more pronounced than ever, not only through his rhetoric, but by revoking the right to free speech, degrading other cultures and countries by reinstating a travel ban against 43 mostly Muslim nations.

He has also described places like Gaza as a piece of land he would "own" -- rebuilding on the ruins to make it a "nice piece of real estate."

The systemic violence is not limited to the law but continues on the streets against African Americans, Muslims and all minorities fighting to end oppression and imperialism.

The Trump administration is reportedly considering issuing travel restrictions for the citizens of 41 countries as part of an immigration crackdown launched at the start of the U.S. president's second term.

From police brutality in the Rodney King beating of 1991, the George Floyd murder of 2020, to violence against pro-Palestinian protesters in 2024, the American justice system seems to work as racial control rather than criminal control.

This system has redesigned racial caste in America, especially with the highest number of inmates in US prisons being African American.

In "the land of the free and the home of the brave," which preaches 'democracy' and civility to other nations, freedom has never been a guaranteed right and is an exclusive privilege, a false illusion to those subservient to the whims of the imperialist system.

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