

Points of Orientation on Righteous Rebellions

People in Ferguson have repeatedly stood up and righteously rebelled. They have refused to back down in the face of dogs, tear gas, guns, and tanks. At a time when the powers counterattack through absolutely irrelevant slanders against Michael Brown and honeyed words from Ron Johnson, this struggle must not die down.

Two guidelines on going forward:

- 1) If people do not rebel against such oppression and repression, they can only expect things to get worse and their lives to become more unbearable. When people in positions of power tell you not to protest and rebel, they are part of the problem, not the solution.
- 2) Any action should be evaluated by what it contributes to the righteous rebellion against injustice. *That* is the standard. Telling people to stop rebelling does not contribute to ending such outrages and injustices, it undermines the fight against them.

Michael Brown to Eric Garner

This has to stop NOW!

People are standing up in Ferguson!

It's right to rebel!

Time's up for this system.

Fight the Power, and Transform the People, for Revolution!

Stand with the People of Ferguson!

Step Up the Struggle Everywhere!

All we wanna do is break the chains off

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All we wanna do is be free

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Cheers to rapper J. Cole for his powerful and timely "Be Free." It's a strong contribution to the massive protest against the cold-blooded police murder of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri.