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NEWS FLASH TO MEDIA: Antifa Is COMMUNIST!

No matter how many communist hammers & sickles or images of Marx, Mao, and other communists the violent Antifa radicals display, the Fake News media continue to present them as idealistic “anti-fascists.”



“When we fight, we fight for communism, and all our constructive and destructive activity is geared toward building our party, which will wage a protracted people’s war, establishing socialism and continuing the revolution under the rule of the working class.”

So [declares](#) Red Guards Austin, the masked “Antifa” thugs of Austin, Texas, who march about displaying the communist hammer & sickle symbol, and who also openly display banners emblazoned with images of Karl Marx and mass-murderers Mao Zedong and Vladimir Lenin. See, for example, the photos to the right and immediately below, from their website (see [here](#) and [here](#); the article continues below the photo.)



Unequivocally Communist

The organizers, theorists, strategists, and writers of Antifa (short for “Anti-fascist”) are unequivocally communists, as is evident not only from their obvious communist tactics and their own admissions and public proclamations, but also from their ties to (and support from) formal communist parties, as well as their adoption of communist slogans, symbols, chants, and causes. Many Antifa leaders and groups unabashedly proclaim themselves Maoists, Marxist-Leninists, Stalinists, or Trotskyites.



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The above-mentioned black-clad hoodlums of Red Guards Austin, for example, offer unalloyed praise for one of history's most notorious dictators and mass murderers in "[A Tribute to Comrade Joseph Stalin.](#)" As Maoist communists, they also have great affection, of course, for Mao Zedong, the only dictator ever to top Stalin in the bloodletting and liquidation business. According to the meticulous research of the late Professor R. J. Rummel, Mao's regime [murdered over 76 million Chinese.](#)

Mao is, nevertheless, idolized by Red Guards Austin. In listing the "weapons" of their cause, these Antifa hoodlums say: "The first and most important among these [weapons] is the Maoist party — Red Guards Austin's reason for existence is to build this party with other Maoists in the US."

The Red Guards Austin are not the only Antifa group proudly declaring their communist lineage and their adherence to Marxist-Leninist ideology. Indeed, virtually all of the Antifa organizations around the country that have been rioting and burning our cities and physically assaulting American citizens openly declare their communist sympathies. This is no secret, yet the establishment news media continue to refer to the Antifa criminals and terrorists by their preferred labels: anti-fascist, anti-Nazi, anti-racist.

CNN Investigative Report Unmasks ... Zilch

For example, on August 22, 2017, CNN produced an "investigative news" report entitled "Unmasking the leftist Antifa movement" that did zero unmasking. Instead, the CNN report glamorized Antifa, providing a public relations bonanza for mayhem makers. "We are meeting members of the Rose City Antifa, short for Anti-Fascist," CNN reporter Sara Ganim explained as she went to a secret meeting in Portland, Oregon, with the masked Antifa members. "This group's main goal is to disrupt neo-Nazis and white supremacists, but also to take on government and capitalism," Ganim noted. CNN's reference to "taking on" capitalism was as close as the "unmasking" got to even hinting at Antifa's core communist motivation. A young masked Antifa woman tells Ganim's CNN audience that "Antifa is any group that is willing to stand up to fascists by any means necessary."

That sounds pretty idealistic — maybe even admirable — does it not? After all, everyone knows fascists and Nazis are bad. Shouldn't we stand up to them? But here's the rub: For Antifa activists, "fascist" is a totally elastic label that can be stretched to smear anyone with whom they disagree, including brave people who truly fought fascism — people such as my parents and my uncles who put their lives on the line in World War II to fight Hitler and the Nazis. My father was a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne (D-Day, Battle of the Bulge); my mother was in the Army Nurse Corps (England, France, Belgium, Netherlands, Germany). My parents were fiercely anti-Nazi, anti-fascist, anti-racist, and anti-KKK — and, just as fiercely, anti-communist. It was the anti-communist part that made them, and millions of other patriotic veterans like them, "enemies of the people" in the eyes of the Communist Party, Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), the Weather Underground, and the Black Panther Party — the ancestors of today's Antifa. So, during the 1960s and '70s, my parents and other anti-communist Americans who had actually fought the Nazis had to endure being called Nazis by Marxist-Leninist baby-boomer brats and hardcore communist terrorists who were bent on establishing a totalitarian dictatorship that would have been every bit as tyrannical and genocidal as Hitler's.



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Antifa's Professor Mike Isaacson



So it continues today. According to Professor Mike Isaacson (shown at right), an Antifa leader who teaches at the City University of New York's John Jay College of Law, "Anti-communism is code for fascism." There you have it: If you're an anti-communist, if you're averse to living in a communist police state — 24/7 surveillance, repression, torture, gulags, genocide, etc. — well, then, you're obviously a FASCIST. If you stand anywhere to the right of Mao Zedong or Fidel Castro, you are a FASCIST, and, according to the Antifa jihadists, you should be treated as such. Which means that not only have you forfeited your right to speak, but also your right to exist. It's "Off with your head!" Literally. The Antifa website [It's Going Down](#) wants to bring back the French Revolution's Reign of Terror, with a campaign to "[Make the Guillotine Red Again.](#)" Communist megalomaniacs from Marx to Lenin, Mao Zedong, Ho Chi Minh, Fidel Castro, and Pol Pot have invoked the French Revolution's massive bloodletting as their inspiration for remolding society.

Prof. Isaacson, a founder of Smash Racism DC, an Antifa group in our nation's capital that participated in the violent and disruptive "protests" during President Trump's inauguration, has gained infamy for his numerous public endorsements of Antifa violence and his many tweets supporting murder of police officers, some of whom are his law school students. Here are a few of his [offensive tweets](#) that have caused outrage:

- July 18, 2017 — "Dead Cops are good, Laci."
- August 16, 2017 — "What's even the point of a cop that isn't dead?"
- August 17, 2017 — "I hear their police stations catch on fire with an accelerant."
- August 23, 2017 — "Some of y'all might think it sucks being an anti-fascist teaching at John Jay College but I think it's a privilege to teach future dead cops."
- August 29, 2017 — "Off the pigs"

And he teaches law at a prestigious law school! A committed Marxist-Leninist, Isaacson has even developed a Marxist, collectivist method of grading his students because, he says, the "pursuit of knowledge is a collective pursuit."

"Few academic or professional endeavors are the result of individuals acting alone," [states](#) Isaacson's grading curve policy for his class, "ECO 101: Introduction to Economics and Global Capitalism." "All graded assignments will receive grades reflective of not only individual efforts, but also class effort," the class description continues.

In September, due to public outcry over Isaacson's outrageous anti-police statements and his support



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for Antifa violence, he was put on administrative leave by John Jay College. However, that public outcry didn't arise because of any coverage of Isaacson in the "mainstream" media; it came about thanks to outrage from police unions and coverage of the Antifa prof's antics by the independent conservative media. For its part, the establishment Fake News media was content to present Isaacson as a credible academic and quote his more "nuanced" — and seemingly more moderate — statements, without hinting at his radical Marxist roots.

The members of the press have no excuse for continuing to treat communist Antifa revolutionists as brave "anti-fascists" and romantic crusaders fighting against Nazis, racists, and social injustice. Ignorance and incompetence only go so far in explaining the bias, imbalance, and self-censorship in the media's Antifa coverage. Willful blindness to the facts and sympathy for the Antifa agenda (if not a total endorsement of its violent communist methods) are clearly at play here.

Below are some of the additional important facts that the American people need to know about the Antifa "phenomenon," but which the pro-Antifa media have ignored, censored, downplayed, or half-hidden from the general public's view.

Without Organized Communist Leadership Antifa Wouldn't Exist

Communist parties and communist organizations such as the Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP), Communist Party USA (CPUSA), Workers World Party (WWP), By Any Means Necessary (BAMN), Freedom Road Socialist Organization, and RefuseFascism.org provide the key leadership, ideological indoctrination, organizing, and training for the Antifa rioters. They also provide the chants, slogans, signs, and banners for the Antifa confrontations. This is not new; it is a continuation of the same communist organizational operations that have run through the radical Occupy Wall Street, anti-war, anti-police, immigration (DACA, Dreamers), environmental, and other protests over the past several decades. This is not difficult to document, as we have been showing for years from the radicals' own admissions and publicly available documents. (See [here](#), [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#).)

Marxist-Leninist-Maoist Professor Cornel West (shown at right) [promotes Antifa as "saviors" — with help from the media](#). Prof. West (Harvard, Princeton, Yale, Union Theological Seminary) has been a hardcore Marxist activist for decades, openly working with the Revolutionary Communist Party, the violent Maoists who idolize Mao Zedong and his murderous Red Guards who terrorized China in the 1960s and '70s.



West claims that Antifa thugs at the deadly Charlottesville, Virginia, riot on August 12 "saved" him and his leftist clergy comrades from being beaten by the fascists. We have counted dozens of stories in the major media that have repeated this claim by West, many of which have gone on to use this as an accolade for the masked felons and as supposed evidence of Antifa's "anti-fascist" bonafides. Not a



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single story we have seen has even mentioned Cornel West’s communist credentials, let alone questioned his motives in glorifying Antifa, or (perish the thought!) asked whether or not the “saving” operation may have been planned from the start for precisely the propaganda value that it obviously has accrued.

Antifa author/professor Mark Bray admits Antifa’s communist ideology and origins in his *Antifa: The Anti-Fascist Handbook*, but disingenuously entangles it with the less-understood anarchist label and the more benign-sounding socialist label. (Professor Bray is shown below on “Democracy Now!” with a cover image of his handbook shown to the right.) He also attempts to ennoble and sanctify the Antifa brand by clothing it in “anti-fascist” garb and dishonest rhetoric that claims the group’s well-documented record of initiating violence is somehow justified as “self defense.” Repeating a thesis of his book, Bray told Sean Illing of the left-wing Vox website: “Anti-fascism originated in response to early European fascism, and when Mussolini’s Blackshirts and Hitler’s Brownshirts were ascendant in Europe, various socialist, communist, and anarchist parties and groups emerged to confront them.” (Article continues after photo.)



Antifa Flag: Designed by Communist Propagandists

The Antifa flag was designed by Communist Party propagandists to serve communist purposes. Where did the Antifa logo (pictured below) with the red and black flags (symbolizing communist/anarchist unity) come from? The rallying symbol, ever-present on flags and banners at Antifa events, can be traced back to Germany in the 1920s, reports the radical left-wing *Jacobin* magazine, in [“The Lost History of Antifa.”](#)



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According to the *Jacobin* account, it was “devised by Association of Revolutionary Visual Artists members Max Keilson and Max Gebhard, [and] has been since become one of the Left’s most well-known symbols.” What the *Jacobin* article doesn’t tell readers is that the Association of Revolutionary Visual Artists was an official propaganda arm of the German Communist Party, which was a subservient branch of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Max Keilson and Max Gebhard were high-level Communist Party members. Keilson’s wife, Margarete Schnate-Keilson, was a top member of the German Communist Party’s Central Committee, and a ruthless agent of the Comintern (Communist International), the global network of Soviet spies, assassins, propagandists, and agents of influence. Among her many exploits, for which she received Soviet and East German honors, was helping convicted [atom bomb spy Klaus Fuchs](#) escape. She later married Fuchs. An undated black-and-white photo (presumably from the 1930s) shows a German Antifa gathering in an auditorium with a [huge Antifa flag/banner in the center of the stage flanked by communist flags with the hammer & sickle](#) on either side.



SDS Radicals From the '60s

Prof. Mark Bray is certainly aware of this history, as well as the essential red/black, communist/anarchist ties that run throughout Antifa’s current composition, but he does not share this crucial information with his television audiences. And his media interviewers are complicit in his deception. Communist SDS leader and Weather Underground terrorist Bill Ayers is one of the many radical Marxists now continuing their 1960s activism through Antifa. At a Trump campaign rally in Chicago on March 11, 2016, Ayers joined Antifa, Revolutionary Communist Party, and Communist Part PUSA agitators who violently blocked the rally, causing it to be cancelled. A [video interview with Ayers at the event](#) also shows many of the other participating communist groups, as well as featuring a young anti-Trump woman who sings/chants about “armed revolution” and “it’s time to pick up a gun.”

More SDS Reds from the 1960s, such as C. Clark Kissinger and Dan Siegel, are helping the Antifa anarcho-communists:

- Clark Kissinger was national secretary of the SDS in the 1960s and was such a devoted Maoist that he visited Communist China twice and was an avid propagandist for Chairman Mao’s bloody Cultural Revolution and Red Guards. His fervor has not dimmed over the past five decades: He continues as an activist comrade in the Revolutionary Communist Party, writes for the RCP’s *Revolution* newspaper/website, runs the Revolution Books bookstore in New York City, and is a leading figure in the Occupy Wall Street movement, as well as in the RCP fronts (and Antifa’s guiding allies) [Refuse&Resist](#), [NotInOurName](#), and [RefuseFascism.org](#).
- Dan Siegel was an SDS leader and, as student body president at the University of California-Berkeley, led the 1969 “Bloody Thursday” riot, also known as the “Battle for Peoples’ Park” at UC Berkeley. He has been a radical “civil rights” lawyer ever since. He is an Occupy Wall Street/Occupy Oakland activist and a longtime friend and adviser to radical Oakland Mayor Jean Quan. Siegel’s Occupy comrades turned the series of Occupy Oakland protests in 2011-2012 into bloody riots that were some of the most



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violent, destructive, and costly operations of the Occupy movement. The Occupy Oakland conflagrations served as a principal training ground for Antifa recruits.

Few familiar with Siegel's background were surprised when he showed up as the attorney for [Professor Eric Clanton, the now-infamous Antifa thug arrested and charged](#) with the cowardly and vicious attacks (which could easily have been lethal) in Berkeley last April. In those attacks, several Trump supporters at a rally were (allegedly) clobbered by Clanton, who was wielding a heavy, steel bike lock. One of the victims, who was struck on the head in a sneak attack, was seriously injured. Clanton, the alleged attacker, then blended back into the crowd, a typical tactic recommended in the Antifa handbooks. However, the attacks were caught on video, and online sleuths were able to [unmask Clanton](#) as the alleged attacker using computer forensic tools.

Revolutionary Communist Party

The Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP) is a central player in Antifa violence. Whether the Antifa mayhem erupts in Boston, Berkeley, Charlottesville, Chicago, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Baltimore, St. Louis, Oakland, Seattle, or elsewhere, the RCP cadres are inevitably exercising a leading role. This is evident on many levels, the most obvious being the distinctive RCP signs carried by the Antifa activists. Again, this is no secret; the RCP's web address (www.revcom.us) is printed on the signs. This RCP branding is clearly visible even in many of the photos accompanying "mainstream" media reports on Antifa. But the Fake News journalists virtually never point out this fact, nor do they show the slightest inclination in probing the RCP's organizing role. Ditto for the RCP's front group, Refuse Fascism. The RCP/RefuseFascism cadres have been hard at work for decades recruiting and building an American version of Mao's Red Guards to implement a [Maoist Cultural Revolution here in the United States](#).

They do not hide this. In fact they boast of it. One example out of many: An interview with RCP leader Raymond Lotta in the RCP's *Revolution* newspaper for May 9, 2016, titled "[The Cultural Revolution: The Furthest Advance of Human Emancipation Yet.](#)" "The Cultural Revolution was the high point of the first stage of communist revolution," avers Comrade Lotta. "The Cultural Revolution was the most far-reaching attempt in modern history, and in human history, to revolutionize and restructure a society away from all exploitation and oppression.... During the course of this, millions and millions of people revolutionized their world outlook — that is, their basic values, their approach to reality — and the whole ethos, or spirit, of society was transformed." Yes, and millions of people were, jailed, tortured, and executed in the process, while the remaining hundreds of millions (except for the privileged Communist Party elites) were enslaved. In Antifa, the Maoist RCP has already formed the basis for their long-envisioned Red Guard Amerika.

On September 11, 2017, the RCP's *Revolution* published a Refuse Fascism article entitled "[Shameful, Dangerous, Wrong Attacks on Antifa,](#)" which takes to task those elements of the "progressive left" that have criticized Antifa's violent methods.

Below are several of the many photos available on a [Chinese-language website](#) showing the grisly reality of the Cultural Revolution. The photos below of public condemnation of Chinese accused of "thought crimes" do not begin to show the depths of torture and despair and the horrendous murders of Mao's Red Guards, whom Antifa glorify and seek to emulate. (Article continues beneath photos.)



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Communist Workers Party

The Communist Workers World Party (WWP) provides key support to Antifa efforts. Like the RCP, the WWP is a hardcore, unapologetic communist organization with a long history of violent “protest” and rioting. While the RCP true believers channel Mao, the WWP have chosen Bolshevik death-dealer Leon Trotsky. In an editorial in the third issue of the party’s publication, *International Workers Day*, the group proclaimed, “We are THE Trotskyists. We stand 100% with all the principled positions of Leon Trotsky, the most revolutionary communist since Lenin.” On August 14, two days after the deadly [Charlottesville mayhem](#), WWP cadres led a similar attack that [toppled a statue of a Confederate soldier](#) in Durham, North Carolina.

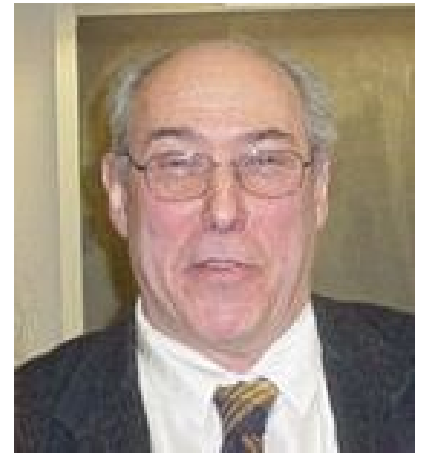
Clearly, they were hoping to provoke a riot similar to the lethal Charlottesville melee. Among the WWP Trotskyists arrested were Takiyah Thompson, Ngoc Loan Tran, Dante Emmanuel Strobino, Peter Gull Gilbert, and Raul Jiminez. The WWP is holding a [“#Do It Like Durham” Workers World Party Forum](#) in New York City on October 14, featuring Takiya Thompson and Ngoc Loan Tran. Thompson, who climbed the Confederate statue in Durham, North Carolina on August 16 and put the rope around its neck that was used to pull it down, [has become something of a celebrity](#) among the “progressive” Left, since a video of her “heroic” exploit went viral.

Black Lives Matter



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Antifa ally Black Lives Matter (BLM) has provided the most successful communist exploitation of race hatred since the 1960s-'70s. The “white privilege” mantra of the BLM activists was invented by Noel Ignatiev (shown at right), a member of the Communist Party USA and a co-founder of its most militant Stalinist/Maoist offshoot, the Provisional Organizing Committee.



Ignatiev is also a co-founder of the New Abolitionist Society (the object of which is to “abolish the white race”) and co-founder of *Race Traitor: Journal of the New Abolitionism*.

“The key to solving the social problems of our age is to abolish the white race,” [says Ignatiev](#), who is white. And, says this white Red who exploits and incites blacks to attack whites, “The abolitionists do not limit themselves to socially acceptable means of protest, but reject in advance no means of attaining their goal.” In other words, “By any means necessary,” the slogan that has become one of the refrains of the Antifa/BLM militants.

This kind of racist, anti-white speech has become standard fare among millions of students marinated in Ignatiev’s communist propaganda, and can be regularly seen and heard at BLM/Antifa events. The three radical lesbian co-founders of Black Lives Matter — Patrisse Cullors, Alicia Garza, and Opal Tometi — identify themselves as “Black queer women” and are members of the Freedom Road Socialist Organization, which draws much of its inspiration from Ignatiev’s Provisional Organizing Committee. (We have previously traced much of the BLM’s Marxist-Leninist-terrorist lineage [here](#).)

Media Censorship

It goes on and on. The evidence that Antifa is a communist instrument serving the anti-American, anti-liberty communist agenda is overwhelming. Which is not to say that all, or even most, of the young activists involved are conscious of this fact, or even realize that the chants and slogans they are mouthing, or the memes they are tweeting, are weaponized words designed by communist propagandists such as Mao, Trotsky, and Ignatiev.

However, there are many in the media who cannot claim ignorance as a defense; they are consciously censoring this crucial information that Americans need to understand the world and make vital decisions. And they must be called to account for this unconscionable betrayal.



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