

100 Actions: 'Stop U.S. war on Venezuela!'

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In nine countries and at more than 60 locations, opponents of the threatened U.S. attack on the Bolivarian government held more than 100 actions Nov. 15-23 demanding no war on Venezuela, the withdrawal of the U.S. military from the Caribbean, and the establishment of a "Zone of Peace" across the hemisphere.

Besides across the U.S. and Canada, there were events in Australia, Britain, the Dominican Republic, Germany, Greece, Mexico, Nepal, and Pakistan.

Inside the United States, where the call for this campaign originated, the organizations were also protesting the use of the U.S.

Armed Forces and National Guard in U.S. cities to assist the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) thugs who were attempting to round up migrant workers. Some protests also targeted the genocides in Gaza and Sudan.

Polls have indicated that a majority of people in the U.S. oppose the threatened military adventure signaled by the summary murder of over 80 people working on boats in the Caribbean—and in the Pacific Ocean west of Central America.

More information including a list of the sponsoring organizations, along with educational and logistical materials can be found at linktr.ee/handsoffvenezuela. □



Boston, Nov. 22, 2025.

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Portland, Oregon, Nov. 22, 2025.

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Capitalism and imperialism threaten the peoples of the world and the planet itself in the neverending quest for ever-greater profits.

Capitalism means war and austerity, racism and repression, attacks on im/migrants, misogyny, LGBTQIA2S+ oppression and mistreatment of people with disabilities. It means joblessness, increasing homelessness and impoverishment and lack of hope for the future. No social problems can be solved under capitalism.

The U.S. is the richest country in the world, yet no one has a guaranteed right to shelter, food, water, health care, education or anything else — unless they can pay for it. Wages are lower than ever, and youth are saddled with seemingly insurmountable student debt, if they even make it to college. Black, Brown and Indigenous youth and trans people

are gunned down by cops and bigots on a regular basis.

The ruthless ruling class today seeks to wipe out decades of gains and benefits won by hard-fought struggles by people's movements. The super-rich and their political representatives have intensified their attacks on the multinational, multigender and multigenerational working class. It is time to point the blame at — and challenge — the capitalist system.

WWP fights for socialism because the working class produces all wealth in society, and this wealth should remain in their hands, not be stolen in the form of capitalist profits. The wealth workers create should be socially owned and its distribution planned to satisfy and guarantee basic human needs.

Since 1959, Workers World Party has been out in the streets defending the workers and oppressed here and worldwide. If you're interested in Marxism, class solidarity, and joining us in the fight for a socialist future, please sign up at www.workers.org/join-form and an organizer will get back to you. Or contact a WWP branch near you. □

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Justice for Epstein's victims!

President Donald Trump signed the Epstein Files Transparency Act on Nov. 19. The House of Representatives had passed the bill with only one vote against; the Senate vote was unanimous.

The Act orders U.S. Attorney General Pam Bondi to release all files pertaining to Jeffrey Epstein within 30 days of the signing. It limits what items can be withheld, but the Trump administration may find a loophole and redact — block out — some of the text. While what can be legally withheld is limited, no one should be surprised if Trump or Bondi act as if they are above the law.

So far nothing has been released.

Prior to the bill being signed, victims of the horrific sexual abuse perpetrated by finance capitalist Epstein publicly demanded that all the related documents be released. If these courageous survivors — many under 18 when the abuse began — had not spoken up, this bill would not have become law. The bill mandating the release of the Epstein files is a victory for the survivors.

If a substantial portion of the massive trove of emails, texts, letters, legal transcripts and more is made public, that will include names of numerous abusers who colluded with Epstein: high-ranking political figures in the U.S. and other countries, prominent academics and high-ranking finance capitalists. Previously released materials have tied JPMorgan Chase & Co., former Harvard University President Lawrence Summers and many others to Epstein.

Who among these perpetrators will be charged with a crime? Will they all get away with having a role in what Epstein subjected these girls and young women to? The bill does not address the need to bring criminal charges against them.

Blatant political opportunism

Both the Democratic Party and the Republican Party seek to gain a political advantage based on relationships their opponents had with Epstein. Trump's hypocrisy is glaring. As a candidate he attacked the Democratic Party for not releasing the files. Then, as president he labeled the files a "Democratic hoax." Now



Survivors of Epstein's sexual abuse demand justice, Washington, D.C., Nov. 18, 2025.

he wants to be seen as a hero for signing the Act.

Those who endured the abuse, not the big shots with unscrupulous Epstein connections, should be the center of any discussion about the files and what they reveal. But, as novelist Jennifer Weiner wrote in an opinion piece: "Though we've heard endless details about the predators and the men in their social circle, we have heard far too little about — and from — the victims. ...

"They are the ones that should have been front and center through all of this, starting in 2005 when [Epstein's] predations began to come to light, through to the present, when they dominate the national conversation, and onward for the rest of the story's no doubt very long life." (New York Times, Nov. 19)

Weiner cites from the memoir of survivor Virginia Giuffre, who took her own life this year: "They lent me out to scores of wealthy, powerful people. I was habitually used and humiliated — and in some instances choked, beaten and bloodied," or the passage in which she describes being trafficked to a man she calls 'a well-known prime minister,' who she said abused her so badly that 'for days, it hurt to breathe and to swallow.'"

Survivors have been re-victimized by the capitalist media by Epstein apologists. The right-wing podcaster Megyn Kelly challenged the characterization of him as a pedophile, saying, "He was into the barely legal type, like, he liked 15-year-old girls," not younger children. (npr.org, Nov. 18)

The nightmare is by no means over for

the victims and their loved ones. Many reported receiving death threats prior to the bill's passage.

'Rich and powerful' escape scrutiny

Weiner rightly noted, "The world has never been kind to women who accuse powerful men of sex crimes."

Why are the rich and powerful able to sexually abuse women, girls and gender-oppressed people with impunity?

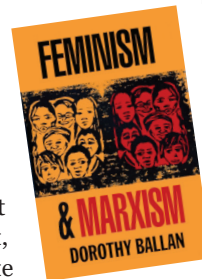
Dorothy Ballan, a founder of Workers World Party, in her groundbreaking 1971 work "Feminism and Marxism," asked, "Is it not plain, even to the most naive, that sexism is a 'commodity' in a general system of commodity production based on exchange where profit is the very essence of all that exists?"

Ballan traces the roots of patriarchy to the development of private property and ties the oppression of women to the existence of class exploitation. (workers.org/book/feminism-marxism)

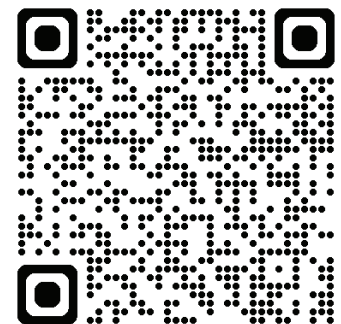
Ballan's work drew on Friedrich Engels' classic work "The Origin of the Family, Private Property and the State."

To put an end to systematic misogynistic abuse, such as that endured by Epstein's victims, we have to put an end to the patriarchal capitalist system altogether.

Justice for Epstein's victims! Smash the patriarchy! □



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¡Migrantes, sí! ¡ICE, no!

Desde que Trump desató a sus matones fascistas de la Oficina de Inmigración y Aduanas (ICE) a principios de este año, especialmente en las grandes zonas urbanas, los trabajadores migrantes, tanto documentados como indocumentados, junto con sus familias, han estado viviendo con el terror de ser agredidos físicamente, detenidos y, finalmente, deportados.

Trump ordenó la invasión de lo que equivale a la reencarnación de las tropas de asalto nazis, muchas de ellas enmascaradas, utilizando acusaciones difamatorias de que los trabajadores migrantes son «traficantes de drogas, violadores y delincuentes» como pretexto para arrestarlos y deportarlos. La verdadera razón, no tan oculta, es utilizar el racismo y la xenofobia como arma para dividir y debilitar la capacidad de la clase trabajadora multinacional de unirse para resistir el impacto de la irreversible crisis económica capitalista a escala mundial.

Las redes sociales se han llenado de vídeos que muestran a agentes del ICE llevando a cabo redadas sorpresa en zonas comerciales, restaurantes, obras, granjas, escuelas e incluso guarderías, secuestrando aleatoriamente a migrantes sin ninguna orden judicial ni el debido proceso.

Los niños quedan traumatizados al ver cómo bandas de matones armados se llevan a sus padres y maestros a lugares desconocidos. En algunos casos, los propietarios migrantes de tiendas se ven obligados a cerrar sus pequeños negocios indefinidamente para proteger a sus clientes y trabajadores de los ataques del ICE.

Como en cualquier lucha de clases, la represión genera resistencia. Y la resistencia militante que comenzó hace meses en el condado de Los Ángeles se



Protesta en Chicago, 12 de junio de 2025.

ha extendido a otras partes del país, especialmente a Chicago, Portland, Oregón, Nueva York y, más recientemente, a Charlotte, Carolina del Norte. Como resultado, las comunidades migrantes han sentido el apoyo en esta lucha cada vez que el ICE asoma su fea cabeza.

Las comunidades no migrantes han organizado iniciativas populares utilizando una serie de tácticas para mostrar su solidaridad política con sus hermanos migrantes. Entre ellas se incluyen campañas de denuncia para advertir a los migrantes cuando se avista al ICE en cualquier barrio, bloquear físicamente los vehículos del ICE, obligándoles a retirarse, y recaudar fondos para que los vendedores migrantes paguen sus bienes y servicios y no queden expuestos a la vista de los agentes del ICE en las calles.

Las redadas han provocado tal crisis en Chicago que el alcalde negro de la ciudad, Brandon Johnson, antiguo profesor y organizador del sindicato de profesores, ha convocado una huelga general contra el ICE, lo que ha provocado la ira de Trump.

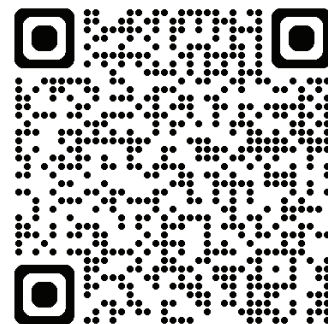
Trump ha dejado muy claro que su principal objetivo es utilizar el ICE para expulsar al mayor número posible de personas que no hablan inglés, especialmente a las personas de color, para evitar que Estados Unidos se vuelva más negro, más moreno y más obrero.

El Partido Mundo Obrero anima a nuestros lectores a mostrar una solidaridad política y práctica aún más fuerte con los trabajadores a los que el ICE ha tomado como blanco, ya sean aquellos obligados a abandonar sus países de origen situados en el Sur Global o aquellos nacidos en Estados Unidos. Ninguna persona es ilegal.

Al igual que la explotación capitalista no conoce fronteras, la lucha por la unidad y la solidaridad dentro de la clase trabajadora a escala mundial tampoco debería conocerlas. Nuestro enemigo de clase es el mismo: la clase dominante multimillonaria ávida de ganancias y sus matones armados, incluidos el ICE y la policía. □

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