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The time has come for humanity to make a choice between capitalism and democracy. As each one matures they become increasingly incompatible. Our new organization calls for more democracy!

The More Democracy Movement

CHOOSE ONE: CAPITALISM or DEMOCRACY The time has come for humanity to make a choice between capitalism and democracy. As each one matures they become increasingly incompatible. While capitalism creates and becomes more dependent on ever greater disparities in wealth, power and access to information, democracy continues to demand more and more equality, inclusiveness and transparency. The More Democracy Movement, which has authored this document, calls upon the people of the world to defiantly choose, once and for all, democracy! Capitalism depends on the profit motive, and there is only one way to make a profit: "buy low, and sell high." And the only way to "buy low" is to pay workers less than the value that they add to a product or service. Those elite few who run corporations and control international finance decide the value of labor versus the value of goods and services sold, and the discrepancy between the two determines their profits. But it is becoming harder and harder for corporations to generate profits. Natural resources are being depleted. We're drilling for oil in deep water

for example, because we've already extracted most of the oil that was easily accessible. And as technology improves, less labor is required, and production becomes more efficient. But that efficiency comes at a great cost. Capitalism and the profit motive can only continue to survive if companies do a better job exploiting workers, destroying competition and consuming more natural resources. **CHOOSE ONE: CAPITALISM or A HEALTHY PLANET** Whatever gets in the way of profits is a threat to capitalism and capitalists will do everything in their power to make sure that conditions are favorable for profit making. Unfortunately, humanity's desire for a healthy planet is getting in the way. This means capitalists have had to fight regulations and laws that are in the public interest but not in the interest of maximizing profits. Capitalism is a system organized for the creation of profit for a privileged few and not for the benefit of humanity or for the protection of our planet. Defenders of capitalism often say that it is the system that offers the most freedom. But it is often the freedom to exploit the environment, the freedom to exploit workers, and the freedom to introduce products or services regardless of their impact on society or the environment. This brand of freedom negatively impacts the freedoms of others and is a grotesque distortion of the word. **CHOOSE ONE: CAPITALISM or PEACE** Capitalists need to ensure that they have continued access to as many natural resources as possible, through corruption, manipulation and war if necessary. War is not caused by hatred or anything inherent in human nature. Humans are naturally loving, peaceful, cooperative, hopeful and happy. But those few who control society for their personal and private accumulation of wealth use racism, fear, resentment and bribery to get people to go along with war which is always an attempt to control natural resources and/or cheap labor. Capitalism is the current apparatus for wealth accumulation and the current reason wars are waged. **CAPITALISM MUST END IN ORDER FOR HUMANITY TO SURVIVE AND FLOURISH!** If we merely reform the capitalism (fairer tax rates, stronger regulations, more just laws, better enforcement of the law), we'll find ourselves in the same spot ten years from now. As long as this system remains in place, those who have more wealth and power than everyone else will do whatever they can to maintain that wealth and power. Capitalism and the profit motive will lead to more war, more exploitation of workers and even more environmental destruction. We cannot regulate, or legislate, or negotiate, or even congregate our way towards a more equitable and democratic world. The time has come for the people of the world to confiscate! Confiscate wealth and power. Confiscate the reigns of power. Confiscate natural resources and the wealth that humanity has created. Confiscate is a Latin word that literally means "us basket." The wealth of the world belongs to all of us. It's a word that says, "we are all in this together." It is a word that demands mutual respect and equality. If you believe that we are all in this together, you are an enemy of capitalism. If you love this planet, you are an enemy of capitalism. If you love peace, you are an enemy of capitalism. Even if you love your smart phone, you are an enemy of capitalism. Under capitalism only a privileged few have been able to have the freedom to be creative and inventive. But every human has the potential for genius. Every human wants to be useful to his or her community. It is time to create the conditions where everyone can flourish, where we can all contribute to the building of a better world. **A MESSAGE TO POOR AND WORKING CLASS PEOPLE** You are smart. You are and have always been beautiful. Your ideas, opinions and cultural knowledge matter to the world. You make the world go around. You are also the only group that can put an end to capitalism. Collectively, you are the most powerful social force on the planet. Unfairness remains in place only as long as you allow it. Any movement that calls for more democracy and equality is your movement. **A MESSAGE TO MIDDLE CLASS PEOPLE** The more you are invested in the status quo, the more frightening change will be. Don't be frightened by the end of capitalism. The middle class has the most to lose if capitalism continues. The rich and powerful will eventually point to you as a scapegoat. They have already started to squeeze you, and will continue the squeeze. In truth, the more democracy there is in the world, the fewer privileges you may have. You may be asked to consume less. But while you may lose some privileges, you will gain true security. Not the security of a volatile 401k, but of a just world where we all look out for one another. With the demise of capitalism, you will be able to spend more time with your family. You will also regain your integrity. You will not be asked to exploit anyone, nor will anyone exploit or manipulate you. You will be able to use your skills and intelligence for the betterment of humanity. Any movement that calls for more democracy and an end to capitalism is your movement. **A MESSAGE TO**

**THE RICH AND POWERFUL** While some of you have laughed at and/or supported the violence against those who call for more democracy, some of you have said, "Sure, whatever, tax me more." But what you're really saying is, "Tax me more, but please allow me to continue making profits by exploiting workers, and keeping my unfair power advantage in place. Without that wealth and power, I will be alone, unhappy and unsafe." But there is no need to be alone or scared anymore. The world will always provide for you. You will always be safe. In the next period we will place all of your vast wealth in the "us basket" and put it to use for all of humanity. We are very sorry that you didn't know about this "us basket," but it is here and it belongs to you and everyone else on this planet. Once we have confiscated your vast wealth and any power you have to exclusively decide how the world operates, we will hug you and kiss you, share meals with you, and protect you from danger. At first you may not like it, but eventually, you will come to know true happiness and be at peace. So, any movement that calls for more democracy is your movement too.

**A MESSAGE TO PEOPLE OF COLOR** While you make up the majority of the planet, you control only a tiny portion of its wealth and power. This situation is unacceptable and collectively you have the power to end it immediately. Any movement that that calls for more democracy and equality is your movement.

**A MESSAGE TO WOMEN** See the above.

**A MESSAGE TO MIDDLE-CLASS WHITE MEN IN THE USA** You are talented and strong and smart. The world needs you to make it a better place for everyone. But the most important thing you can do at this time is support women, working class people and people of color in becoming the leaders of any and all revolutionary movements around the world. This is for your benefit. These people will have the best ideas about the way forward. It may frustrate you and you may believe that only your way is the correct way. But if you want progress, if you truly want a more just world as soon as possible, you must surrender your desire to lead and let this much larger, stronger and collectively smarter group lead the way.

**A MESSAGE TO PEOPLE OUTSIDE OF THE USA** People who live in the USA, and the Western world, depend on your labor and natural resources in order to have a good life. This has come at your expense. Please tell everyone about the price you've had to pay for our good life. Many of us in the USA regret that you've had to pay such a price. We are inspired by your revolutions and will continue to support you. We desire to live on this planet as equals.

**A MESSAGE TO THE POLICE** We thank you for keeping everyone safe. We are proud of you for your commitment to justice and peace. We love you. You are one of us. But we are also attempting to keep you safe. Safe from being exploited and manipulated by the bullies who run our cities and our country. People will continue to commit "crimes" against the State. People will occupy more public areas, confiscate property, take over factories. It is in your best interest to protect these people. It is in your best interest to ignore any demands by your superiors to squash movements that attempt to take away wealth and power from the rich and powerful. You were once powerless. You likely developed your sense of justice during that time of powerlessness. The rich and powerful have given you a certain amount of extra power in our society, in the form of weapons and the force of the law. But as more and more people demand equality, this type of power will be increasingly irrelevant. Your true power will be in standing with those who want to ensure that no one will ever be powerless again, that no one can abuse their power, because we will all be equally empowered. Any movement that calls for more democracy is your movement too.

**A MESSAGE TO MEMBERS OF THE USA ARMED FORCES** See the above. When the police stand with those demanding equality, those in power will call upon you to squash democracy movements. But it is in your interest to support these movements, and refuse any orders to harm anyone. In addition, wars abroad do not "protect freedom" at home, they merely protect the freedom of an elite few to continue profiting from natural resources and the sale of weapons and military hardware. The time has come for you to come home.

**A MESSAGE TO "LIBERALS"** Capitalism cannot be reformed, it can only be replaced. This idea may be scary to you, but allow your tendency towards independent thinking be your guide. What is the most rational way to run a society? How can we be the most kind? You have the power to help create such a world. There was recently a presidential candidate who inspired a lot of hope. This candidate eventually became president and has recently been a source of much disappointment. Can you find that hope again? But this time, can you direct it towards your faith in yourself and in your communities?

**A MESSAGE TO "CONSERVATIVES"** You are correct. The government is corrupt. It is controlled by the rich and

powerful. It is true, we need less of this type of government. We need to put everyone in charge. But the rich and powerful have done an excellent job in convincing you that they are not to blame for the problems we face. Instead, blame is placed on people of color, on immigrants, on Jews, liberal elites, or anyone who has a lifestyle different than yours. If you believe in the teachings of Jesus, one of his most important messages was, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," the Golden Rule (Matthew 7:12, and Luke 6:31). Any movement that calls for more kindness, for more fairness and equality, is your movement. Any movement that calls for peace, justice and more democracy is your movement. What would Jesus do? He would call for the creation of an economic system based on love and kindness, and he would ask others to help him. THE WAY FORWARD In the period to come, various organizations and activists will start calling for more strikes and boycotts. Strikes reveal who is truly in charge. The rich and powerful can only create wealth for themselves if everyone else works for them. Boycotts reveal what is important to people. It is important to us that the products we buy do not harm the environment or our bodies. It is important to us that products aren't made by slave labor. Strikes and boycotts will strengthen democracy. We must also create our own democratically-run institutions. We need to create our own not-for-profit and democratically controlled schools, universities and hospitals. (In the USA, not-for-profit rarely means democratically controlled.) Where and when possible we must also occupy, confiscate, take over factories, companies, public spaces, halls of government, universities, jails, transportation hubs. The More Democracy Movement supports the idea that decisions about how to run society should be made by the greatest number of people possible. When everyone was in charge of everything, we will protect our planet, we will maintain peace between peoples, we will share resources, and we will continue to thrive far into the future. That day is coming very soon. It will happen in our lifetimes, and may be sooner than we expect or are prepared for. In the next period, we will continue to call for that day in general and in more specific ways as well. Stay tuned. -The More Democracy Movement, Fall 2011 See More

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So proud of Hannah & Sophie of Hartland VT! Toro, Toro !

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The 1 % Solution in Oakland and NYC is to Erase Those Who Would Expose Economic Justice | BuzzFlash

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This morning, the Oakland police again dismantled the Occupy camp in Oscar Grant Plaza. This action was allegedly taken because a man was killed in an altercation near Occupy Oakland last week, and because the Occupy camp has become a place where homeless people can be fed and sheltered...

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Comunicado DrY! Madrid para la jornada de reflexión electoral del 19 de Noviembre

Democracia real YA! Madrid hace un llamamiento a que las personas participen activa y críticamente en la jornada de reflexión en la puerta del Sol (Madrid) convocada para el próximo 19 de Noviembre. Con motivo de la jornada electoral Democracia real YA! Ma...

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<http://occupywallst.org/article/you-cant-evict-idea-whose-time-has-come/>

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Jean Robertson “@anonops: #OWS #AnonOps #Anonymous :: Mayor #Bloomberg home telephone 212-772-1081 - Say Hello!” Tuesday at 11:27am..Report/Mark as SpamThe Yes Men

Take a break from this Thursday's epic day of action (<http://occupywallst.org/action/november-17th/>) to hear Mark Rudd, (formerly) of the Weather Underground talk about the then and the now.

<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=121466184630945&context=create>

Grampa Was a Terrorist, with Mark Rudd of the Weather Underground

Thursday, November 17 at 11:30am..

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Yony Leyser He has become such a old man moderate democrat. Listen to some of the Black Panthers or Bill Ayres or Bernardine Dohrn if you want some intelligent speakers. Tuesday at 7:14am · 2Loading.....Report/Mark as SpamToshihiro Ikeda

One of my friends in Hawaii introduced me the song. Great!

ハワイの友人が紹介してくれました。すごいぞ！

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#occupywallstreet eviction in progress. Calls for defense @ zucotti park

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hERE IS AN ARTIST. who was there for 'such a timke as this'. He made a difference with his talent. Maybe a present day Joe Hill in the making.!!

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.Report/Mark as SpamDaniel Harper

Awesome!!

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This was really courageous. I admire Makana so much for singing to the very people who need to hear this song!

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.Report/Mark as SpamRebecca Wright-Hyde

Wow... This young man certainly has guts. Wonderful peaceful protest. I suppose very few world leaders were actually listening to the words he was singing as they ate and chatted with each other.

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thanks for the training experience...great ideas !

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Makana made Hawaii proud

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CHECK IT OUT.

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<http://www.yeslab.org/APEC>

Like · Comment · November 13 at 5:52pm via mobile · .

.Report/Mark as SpamKarl J Linder

The link to story of stuff is down. xo

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.Report/Mark as SpamElena Schwolsky-Fitch

More about the amazing musical occupation of the APEC dinner in Honolulu. Enjoy and share!

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excellent, congratulations!

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mahalo e Makana!

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courage to speak/sing

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Sweet! Makana gives APEC delegates something to chew on.

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LOVE IT

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The VIP guests at the Hale Koa must not have been listening to the words of his song but they had to see his T-Shirt "Occupy with Aloha"

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APEC World Leaders Dinner Gets Occupied | Yes Lab

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Honolulu - A change in the programmed entertainment at last night's Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) gala left a few world leaders slack-jawed, though most seemed not to notice that anything was amiss.

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236 shares.Peter Meatsock yes.November 13 at 10:06pm.Teak Balloo The problem is, I can never tell when you guys are spoofing! Jeez.November 14 at 7:22am..Report/Mark as SpamDan Bernard

Yes Men strike again: <http://www.yeslab.org/APEC>

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Let's lead the dance NOW !!!

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<http://www.derevolutione.com/>

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perfect choreography!...The ever-limber clowns with their matador in a corida of true courage against the bull crap wrapped the serious in comic wrapping. Great!

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Missoula, Montana, Votes Against Corporate Personhood: "Corporations Are Not Human Beings" | BuzzFla

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You might not think that Missoula, Montana, (population around 65,000) would be the place that a revolt against corporate personhood might start, but you'd be wrong...

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I love you guys!!! your the best!!! in times like this we need people like you!!! : D

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Never do anything against conscience even if the state demands it. -Albert Einstein

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Clowns Arrested 'Attacking' the Wall Street Bull | The People Occupy

[thepeopleoccupy.org](http://thepeopleoccupy.org)

Clowns 'attack' the Wall Street bull while a matador coaxes it atop a patrol car...

November 11 at 6:56am.