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Description: Daily, public affairs program that includes discussions covering national and international affairs, as well as social and legal issues including racial injustice, immigration, sex and gender issues, and crime and criminal justice reform.

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Sample Programs

July 1, 2023

Florida Fights Back Against Immigration Law, US Support for Uganda Challenged After LGBT Law, NFL Players Suspended Over Sports Betting

Segment 1 – Special Guest: In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Karla Correa**, organizer with the Tampa Bay branch of the Party for Socialism and Liberation to discuss a bill set to take effect in Florida that would introduce restrictions on the rights of undocumented immigrants in Florida, how this bill fits into the presidential ambitions of Florida Governor Ron DeSantis and his other policies targeting working and poor people, and how immigrants and working people are organizing to fight back against this bill.

Segment 2 - In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Milton Allimadi**, Chief Editor of Black Star News, producer/host of the Black Star News Show on WBAI in NY and author of “Manufacturing Hate: How Africa was Demonized in Western Media” to discuss members of Congress attempting to withhold military aid to Uganda in response to the recently passed anti-homosexuality law, the history of US support for Uganda and the rule of President Yoweri Museveni.

Segment 3 - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Miguel Garcia** of the ANTICONQUISTA Collective, also the host and creator of the Sports as a Weapon podcast to discuss the suspension of multiple NFL players over violations of the league's gambling policy, the hypocrisy of these suspensions as the league encourages gambling and players generate profits for the league, the raid of the headquarters of the Paris 2024 Olympics related to investigations into the awarding of public contracts, and Nevada State Education Association mobilizing against the use of public funds for the planned Athletics stadium in Las Vegas.

Segment 4 - Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Afeni**, co-director of organizing with Life After Release to discuss the Supreme Court's rulings against affirmative action programs and the Biden administration's student debt relief program and what they demonstrate about American democracy, why the actions of the Biden administration demonstrate its abandonment of the voters who brought them into power, and how a popular movement of working and poor people can fight for a new system

July 8, 2023

March of the Mill Children, France Protests and France's Legacy of Colonialism, WNBA Players Found New League

Segment 1 - In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts **Sean Blackmon** and **Jacquie Luqman** discuss the anniversary of the March of the Mill Children led by US labor activist Mother Jones and how it relates to rollbacks of child labor protections across the country today.

Segment 2 – Special Guest: In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Justin Podur**, Associate Professor at York University, author of America's Wars on Democracy in Rwanda and the DR Congo, and co-host of the Anti-Empire Project to discuss recent protests in France and how they are related to France's history of colonialism in Africa, how France has continued its colonial relationship with Africa well after the formal decolonization of its former colonies, how the racism of colonialism has defined the police killing which sparked the protests and the response to them, and the role of colonialism in policing.

Segment 3: WNBA Discussed: In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Miguel Garcia** of the ANTICONQUISTA Collective, also the host and creator of the Sports as a Weapon podcast to discuss a new women's

basketball league being founded by New York Liberty forward Breanna Stewart and Minnesota Lynx forward Napheesa Collier to allow WNBA players to supplement their incomes domestically instead of playing overseas and how this issue is related to the issues of pay in the WNBA, how the Supreme Court ruling on affirmative action policies in college admissions may affect the NFL's Rooney rule which requires teams to interview candidates of color for some coaching jobs, ESPN's recent layoffs of over a dozen on-screen personalities and how this reflects the trend in sports broadcasting.

Segment 4 – Special Guest: Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Jon Jeter**, award-winning journalist and foreign correspondent, radio and television producer, Bluesologist and Decolonizer, and author of the book “Flat Broke in the Free Market: How Globalization Fleeced Working People” to discuss the Supreme Court's ruling on affirmative action in college admissions and why the policy often fell short for many activists, how affirmative action reflects the shortcomings of many reforms built to maintain the system, and how global uprisings against racism from the US to France reflect the growing shift against settler-colonialism.

July 15, 2023

Bank of America Fined For Illegal Banking Practices, How Kamala Harris Hides Her Role In Imperialism, NYT Cuts Its Sports Desk

Segment 1 - In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Dr. Robert Hockett**, Edward Cornell Professor of Law at Cornell University and Senior Counsel for Westwood Capital to discuss Bank of America being fined \$250 million for illegal banking practices and how this is just the latest such case in recent years, why this fine falls short as a punishment for these practices and whether we will see anyone go to jail for them, and why these patterns of fraud by banks are allowed to continue largely without regulation or proper punishment.

Segment 2 – Special Guest: In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Salifu Mack**, an editor at Hood Communist and a member of the Lowcountry Action Committee and the Black Alliance for Peace to discuss Vice President Kamala Harris' role in enforcing imperialism and how the emphasis on her significance as representation distracts from that, how the

Caribbean aid plan recently announced by Harris demonstrates this role, and how the PR tours that Harris goes on serve to repackage her image.

Segment 3 Special Guest: In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Miguel Garcia** of the ANTICONQUISTA Collective, also the host and creator of the Sports as a Weapon podcast to discuss allegations of hazing among college football players at Northwestern University and head coach Pat Fitzgerald complicity in it, how football culture facilitates this type of hazing and what needs to be done about it, the New York Times closing its sports desk and relying in The Athletic to provide its sports coverage, and how this fits into the ongoing shifts in sports media and how that will change how people consume sports news.

Segment 4 – Hollywood Writers Strike / Student Loan Forgiveness Special Guest - Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Kristine Hendrix**, President to the University City School Board, Junior Bayard Rustin Fellow with the Fellowship for Reconciliation and contributor to the Truth-Telling Project and "We Stay Woke" podcast to discuss the Screen Actors Guild going on strike as the Writer's Guild of America continues its monthslong strike, revelations about the presence of radioactive waste related to the Manhattan Project in the St. Louis area and how it has impacted communities in the city, and how the Biden administration's latest student loan forgiveness program still does not make up for its failure to deliver on the promise of broad student loan forgiveness.

July 22, 2023

Patriot Front Members Convicted In Idaho, Israelis Protest Judicial Overhaul Plans, NFL Approves Sale of The Washington Commanders

Segment 1 – Special Guest: In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Daryle Lamont Jenkins**, Executive Director of One People's Project to discuss convictions on five members of the Patriot Front hate group on charges of conspiracy to riot stemming from their attempt to disrupt a LGBTQ pride event in Idaho in 2022, how the controversy over country music artist Jason Aldean's latest song "Try That In A Small Town" demonstrates the apparatus behind right-wing politics, and how Patriot Front operates in alliance with other right-wing groups.

Segment 2 Special Guest: In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Miko Peled**, human rights activist and author of “The General’s Son: Journey of an Israeli in Palestine,” and “Injustice, the Story of the Holy Land Foundation Five” to discuss the ongoing protests in Israel against the ruling government’s plans to implement its judicial overhaul which would challenge the independence of the country’s judicial system, how these protests should be understood in the context of Israel’s colonialism in Palestine, and why the concept of a unified Israeli society obscures the country’s treatment of non-white and non-European Jews in addition to its treatment of Palestinians.

Segment 3 - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Miguel Garcia** of the ANTICONQUISTA Collective, also the host and creator of the Sports as a Weapon podcast to discuss the ongoing fallout from the reported hazing and sexual harassment in the Northwestern University football program and newer allegations of abuse in other sports programs, the NFL’s approval of the sale of the Washington Commanders and the release of the findings of the league’s investigation into former owner Dan Snyder’s conduct, and New York Giants running-back Saquon Barkley’s efforts to secure a contract and what it reveals about the valuation of running backs in the league.

Segment 4 Special Guest: Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Maximillian Alvarez**, Editor-in-Chief of the Real News Network and host of the podcast “Working People” to discuss the ongoing wave of labor activism across many different industries, how the legacy of the railroad workers’ threatened strike and the Biden administration’s decision to break it before it even began looms over labor activism today, and how the potential strike by UPS workers highlights how corporations exploit their workers and how workers can fight back.

July 29, 2023

Attempted Coup In Niger, Why China Doesn't Have Slums, Court Rules In Favor of Former University of San Francisco Athlete

Segment 1: Special Guest - In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Abayomi Azikiwe**, the editor of the Pan-African News Wire to discuss the attempted coup in Niger and how its development might shift the role of the US and the west in the region, how US imperialism both on the continent of Africa and elsewhere are exacerbating the food crisis in the Horn of Africa, and how the Russia-Africa summit may affect this crisis and continue the shift in relations between the African continent and Russia.

Segment 2 - In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Tings Chak**, researcher and coordinator of the Art Department of Tricontinental: Institute for Social Research, and a founding member of Dongsheng News to discuss how China address the problems of homelessness and poverty in its cities, how China has historically managed rapid urbanization as the economy developed and how that's changed in recent years, and how these programs are connected to other anti-poverty programs in China which have lifted millions of people out of poverty and allowed many people to remain in the countryside.

Segment 3 Special Guest - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Miguel Garcia** of the ANTICONQUISTA Collective, also the host and creator of the Sports as a Weapon podcast to discuss a California Superior Court ruling in favor of a former University of San Francisco basketball player who made allegations of abuse in USF's athletics programs, controversy over the Philadelphia 76ers planned stadium and the developer's funding of an impact study, and the indictment of Tottenham Spurs owner Joe Lewis on charges related to alleged insider trading.

Segment 4 - Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Musa Springer**, cultural worker, host of the Groundings Podcast, digital outreach coordinator at the Walter Rodney Foundation and International Youth Representative for the Red Barrial Afrodescendiente to discuss the forthcoming book of poetry "Alive and Paranoid" and the value of culture under a system which seeks to commodify it and so many other things, why celebrities themselves do not encapsulate the essence of culture and how

they can actually play into propaganda, and how the cultural practices of Cuba reveal what a revolutionary culture can look like.

August 5, 2023

Kenya Volunteers To Lead Intervention In Haiti, US Credit Rating Downgraded By Fitch, Orlando Magic Donates to Ron DeSantis

Segment 1 – Special Guest: - In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Dr. Jemima Pierre**, Haiti/Americas Coordinator for the Black Alliance for Peace to discuss Kenya proposing that it lead an international intervention in Haiti after months of US and western calls for such an intervention, how western pressure on African and Caribbean governments has led to this moment, how this demonstrates the ways that neocolonialism functions, and what connections there are between the struggle against intervention in Haiti and ongoing political developments in the Sahel.

Segment 2 - In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Dr. Linwood Tauheed**, Associate Professor of Economics and Director, Center for Economic Information, University of Missouri-Kansas City & Graduate Faculty, University of Missouri-Columbia to discuss the downgrade of the US credit rating by Fitch Ratings agency and what it means for the country, why the reasons outlined by Fitch for the downgrade do not make much sense and what the downgrade may really mean, and why future debates over the debt ceiling and federal spending will have more of an effect on the economy than the reasoning outlined by Fitch.

Segment 3 - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Miguel Garcia** of the ANTICONQUISTA Collective, also the host and creator of the Sports as a Weapon podcast to discuss Indianapolis Colts running back Jonathan Taylor requesting a trade in response to team owner Jim Irsay's failure to agree to a contract extension and how this fits into the ongoing efforts by NFL running backs to increase their pay, reports that the Orlando Magic donated \$50,000 to Ron DeSantis' Super PAC, and how Detroit Tigers Pitcher Eduardo Rodriguez's denial of a trade to the Los Angeles Dodgers demonstrates the class character of many athletes.

Segment 4 – Special Guest: - Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Jaribu Hill**, founder and executive director of the Mississippi

Workers' Center for Human Rights to discuss the Biden administration creating national monuments to commemorate the lynching of Emmet Till and why this action rings hollow for many people in Mississippi, a recent fact-finding mission to Venezuela which studied the effects of sanctions on the country, and how the Biden campaign has prepared to blame Black voters should he be defeated in the 2024 presidential election.

August 10, 2023

The Problems With Democrats' "Spoiler" Narrative, How Israel Uses Religion to Support Its Policies, 9 Years Since the Killing of Mike Brown

In this episode of *By Any Means Necessary*, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Peter Bolton**, a New York City-based journalist, activist and scholar, and a regular contributor to *The Canary* and *CounterPunch* to discuss a narrative being spun by Democrats blaming the Green Party and candidate Cornel West for a potential Joe Biden defeat in 2024, the assumptions in that narrative and how they expose the anti-democratic nature of certain aspects of the US electoral system, and why the Democrats cannot claim all Green Party voters as their own and how that highlights the limits of the current party system in the US.

In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by Sputnik News Analyst and activist **Morgan Artyukhina** to discuss how trends of religious nationalism in the US and Israel are converging to support the policies imposed on Palestinians, how Israel is now restricting who can claim Jewish nationality in the country as part of an effort to consolidate support for right-wing policies, and how Christian Zionists in the US amplify the claims of Israel's right-wing that US Jews who vote for Democrats and oppose the policies of Israel are "bad Jews."

In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Chuck Modiano**, justice journalist and Sports writer for *Deadspin* to discuss the anniversary of the killing of Mike Brown by Ferguson police officer Darren Wilson, how the killing sparked massive protests in Ferguson and started the movement for Black lives, how reports by the Department of Justice on the killing of Mike Brown and the behavior of the Ferguson Police Department revealed the nature of policing in the US, and how the lessons of the movement in Ferguson continue to reverberate today as activists continue to organize against killings of Black people by police.

Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Margaret Kimberley**, editor and senior columnist at Black Agenda Report and author of the book "Prejudential: Black America and the Presidents" to discuss US sanctions on Eritrea, Washington's attempted theft of Venezuela's oil, Victoria Nuland visiting the new government in Niger did not go as Washington planned, and the emptiness of Joe Biden's climate legislation that doesn't do what he claims it does

August 16, 2023

Kansas Newspaper Raid Highlights Local Media Struggles, COVID On The Rise in the US, The Climate Impacts of AI

In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Ari Paul**, Contributing Writer to Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting to discuss a police raid on the Marion County Record publisher and editor and how that raid may have been connected to a document that was not even published, how this raid fits into broader issues between local media and local officials and how media is able to be censored outside of major media markets, and how journalists should respond to these attacks on journalism and highlight the growing threat of censorship.

In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Dr. Margaret Flowers**, Co-Founder of Popular Resistance and Director of the Health Over Profit for Everyone Campaign to discuss rising cases of COVID in the US and how a new variant has become dominant in the US and other countries, how this surge may vary from past surges because the infrastructure meant to contain the spread of the disease has been largely dismantled, and how the government response to the pandemic has intensified calls for community-based health interventions and an overhaul of the healthcare system.

In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by technologist **Chris Garaffa**, co-host of the CovertAction Bulletin podcast to discuss the climate impacts of the training and use of artificial intelligence models as a result of the amount of energy needed to run them, the use of self-driving cars in San Francisco and local authorities' authorization of their use as taxis despite opposition from the public and emergency services, Zoom clarifying its terms of service on its policy about training artificial intelligence models with user meetings, and US spy agencies sharing more information with the private sector as part of the National Intelligence Strategy.

Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Dr. Jared Ball**, a father, husband, Professor of Africana Studies at Morgan State University in Baltimore, MD, the curator of imixwhatilike.org and author of the book, "The Myth and Propaganda of Black Buying Power" to discuss the fiftieth anniversary of the beginning of Hip-Hop and how the infrastructure of the

capitalist system have shaped the genre, why right-wing politics contrary to the working class and anti-police brutality origins of the genre have taken hold of many popular rappers and how that demonstrates a hollowing-out of the genre, and how the conditions responsible for creating Hip-Hop and other genres continue to intensify.

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August 22, 2023

US and NATO Encourage More Casualties in Ukraine, Ecuador Heads to Runoff Election, 70 Years Since US and UK Orchestrated Coup in Iran

In this episode of *By Any Means Necessary*, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Medea Benjamin**, Co-Founder of CODEPINK: Women for Peace to discuss the stalling of Ukraine's counteroffensive and how the US and NATO have perpetuated the conflict and stoked further casualties, why a peace movement outside of the two-party system in the US must push for peace and an end to US support for the conflict, and how waning support for continued US aid to Ukraine highlights the disconnect between the Biden administration's priorities and the priorities of the American people.

In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by independent journalist, writer and researcher **Denis Rogatyuk** to discuss the results of the presidential elections in Ecuador and the apparent advancement of Citizen Revolution Movement candidate Luisa Gonzalez and National Democratic Action candidate Daniel Noboa, what Gonzalez has said about the potential involvement of former president Rafael Correa in the government should she be elected, and how the assassination of Fernando Villavicencio has already shaped the election and how it may continue to shape the runoff election.

In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Dr. Seyed Mohammad Marandi**, Professor of English Literature and Orientalism at the University of Tehran to discuss the 70th anniversary of the 1953 US-and-UK-orchestrated coup against the elected government of Mohammad Mosaddegh, why the UK was interested in overthrowing Mosaddegh after he nationalized Iran's oil industry and how the US came around to supporting the coup, and how the long-term effects of the 1953 coup and the 1979 revolution have gone to damage US interests in the region.

Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Richard Becker**, author of “Palestine, Israel and the U.S. Empire” to discuss the anniversary of the Taliban* taking power again in Afghanistan and what Afghanistan was like before the Taliban* came to power the first time, how the US has historically supported or orchestrated the overthrow of governments in west and south Asia and all over the world, how the US deploying 3,000 troops to the Persian Gulf is likely to escalate tensions with Iran, and how the US is continuing to escalate global tensions all over the world.

August 31, 2023

Political Crisis Emerging in Gabon, Masses Turn Out to Support Castro in Honduras, The Life and Legacy of Fred Hampton

In this episode of *By Any Means Necessary*, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Abayomi Azikiwe**, the editor of the Pan-African News Wire to discuss an emerging political crisis in Gabon following the announcement by military officers that they have ousted President Ali Bongo and seized power, how this situation relates to the ongoing political crisis in Niger and how France may respond to the events in Gabon, and how the legacies of colonialism in Africa are beginning to bear consequences for France as its former colonies continue to demonstrate anti-French sentiments. In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Dr. Adrienne Pine**, retired Associate Professor of Anthropology at American University and co-editor of the book *Asylum for Sale: Profit and Protest in the Migration Industry* to discuss mobilizations in Honduras in response to alleged right-wing attempts to destabilize the government of Xiomara Castro, how opposition forces in Honduras have presented a political crisis and how this crisis is different from the 2009 coup against former President Manuel Zelaya, and why members of the US Congress are supporting these efforts by the opposition.

In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie feature an interview with late Black Panther **Marshall Eddie Conway** about the life and legacy of Black Panther Party chairman Fred Hampton and what meaning his work continues to have for activists during and beyond Black August.

Later in the show, **Sean** and **Jacquie** discuss the recently released documentary “BS High” which documents the story behind the Bishop Sycamore football program which falsely called itself a school and the abuse that many players were subject to, the fiftieth anniversary of Hip-Hop and how the genre has evolved to encompass styles from areas of the US outside of

New York, and the Biden re-election campaign's latest reported attempt to garner support from Black voters.

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September 07, 2023

What's Behind Rumors of Assange Plea Deal, Bill Burns' Record on Ukraine and NATO, How The US Could Beat the Heat

Segment 1 Special Guest: - In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Joe Lauria**, Editor of Consortium News to discuss the latest in the case of Julian Assange and what to make of rumors that the US may offer him a plea deal, how public pressure is responsible for renewed interest from the Australian government in pressuring the US to drop its persecution of Assange, and how this case could develop as the US heads into the 2024 presidential elections.

Segment 2 - In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Nicolas Davies**, researcher for CODEPINK and co-author of War in Ukraine: Making Sense of A Senseless Conflict to discuss the history of CIA Director Bill Burns' opinions on NATO expansion and how his repeated warnings about Ukraine's involvement in NATO challenge the assertion that the conflict in Ukraine was unprovoked.

Segment 3 - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Tina Landis**, organizer and author of the book, 'Climate Solutions: Beyond Capitalism' to discuss the Supreme Court and the Biden administration rolling back federal protections on wetlands and how that is impacting the climate, how other countries like China respond to rising global temperatures by making substantial changes to urban planning that mitigate the threat of extreme heat, and why a climate movement is needed in the US to demand responses to extreme heat that prioritize people over profit.

Segment 4 - Later in the show, **Sean** and **Jacquie** discuss the sentencing of Proud Boys leader Enrique Tarrio to 22 years in prison following his conviction

on charges including seditious conspiracy, the recent indictment of Cop City activists on RICO charges and how this case highlights the hollowness of representation-based politics in this system, and reports that France is negotiating with the government of Niger about the withdrawal of French troops from the country.

September 14, 2023

UAW Members Set To Strike This Week, Biden Visits Vietnam To Shore Up Anti-China Strategy, New Documentary Details Koch Crimes

Segment 1 – Special Guest - In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Jeff Schuhrke**, Assistant Professor of Labor Studies in the Harry Van Arsdale Jr. School of Labor Studies at SUNY Empire State College to discuss what's at stake in the impending strike by members of the United Auto Workers at the big three automakers, why these labor negotiations are much different from past negotiations between the union and the automakers, and how this potential strike is connected with the UPS contract negotiations and the surge in labor organizing following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Segment 2 - In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Ken Hammond**, professor of East Asian and Global History at New Mexico State University, an activist with the organization Pivot to Peace and author of the new book, "China's Revolution and the Quest for a Socialist Future" available at 1804 Books to discuss Joe Biden's visit to Vietnam and how it fits into the US cold war effort against China, how Vietnam could play a role in US geopolitical designs in east Asia and why it is so far unlikely that Vietnam would fully engage in those designs, and how a recently announced US competitor to the Belt and Road Initiative highlights the purpose of containing China.

Segment 3 – Special Guest - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Greg Palast**, investigative reporter and author of New York Times bestsellers including The Best Democracy Money Can Buy to discuss a new documentary titled "Long Knife: Osage Oil and the New Trail of Tears" about

the exploitation, theft of oil, and killing of members of the Osage Nation and how it connects to the upcoming film Killers of the Flower Moon, the involvement of Charles Koch and Koch Industries in the theft of oil, and how Koch was able to escape an indictment related to this theft through the creation of a political machine.

Segment 4 - Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Esther Iverem**, artist, author, independent journalist, and host and producer of On The Ground: Voices of Resistance from the Nation's Capital, which you can listen to both as a podcast and on Pacifica Radio to discuss House Speaker Kevin McCarthy's announcement that the House will open an impeachment inquiry into Joe Biden over allegations of corruption involving Hunter Biden, the involvement of the AFL-CIO in the coup against Salvador Allende in Chile in 1973, and a recent study on hunger in Washington, DC and stagnant efforts to combat it.

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September 21, 2023

Ceasefire Reached In Nagorno-Karabakh, Japan To Host Space Force Command Post, Sahel States Create Alliance As Tensions Continue

Segment 1 – Special Guest - In this episode of By Any Means Necessary, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by international affairs and security analyst **Mark Sleboda** to discuss renewed conflict in Nagorno-Karabakh between Azerbaijan and Armenia, how political developments in Armenia have set the stage for this conflict as Armenia's government has attempted to improve relations with the West, and how the ceasefire agreed to by Nagorno-Karabakh and Azerbaijan will change the dynamics in the region and likely result in integration of Nagorno-Karabakh into Azerbaijan.

Segment 2 - In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Bruce Gagnon**, coordinator of the Global Network Against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space to discuss reports that a US Space Force command post is set to open in Japan and how this will introduce NATO into the Pacific theater, how this fits into the strategies for domination in space released by the US military and how this could escalate tensions with Russia and China, and how

movements for peace should be oriented toward these developments and organize against further militarization of space.

Segment 3 - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Abayomi Azikiwe**, the editor of the Pan-African News Wire to discuss the creation of the Alliance of Sahel states by Mali, Burkina Faso, and Niger as tensions between Niamey and Paris continue, how this alliance is a response to the French intervention in the Sahel and its failure to contend with insurgents in the region, and why this alliance may involve economic measures as ECOWAS maintains its sanctions on Niger.

Special Guest - Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Dr. Radhika Desai**, a Professor at the University of Manitoba, Director of the Geopolitical Economy Research Group, and author of *Capitalism, Coronavirus and War: A Geopolitical Economy* to discuss the ongoing UN General Assembly and Volodymyr Zelensky's efforts to shore up support for the conflict in Ukraine, the recently concluded G77 + China summit and how it fits into global political developments as the global south continues its move away from the west, why the recently announced India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor is likely to fall flat, and how the Federal Reserve's ongoing interest rate hikes factors into the growing wave of labor activism.

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September 28, 2023

NPR Downplays Depleted Uranium Risks, One Year Since Nord Stream Bombing, Activists Protest Dina Boluarte In NYC

Segment 1 – Special Guest - In this episode of *By Any Means Necessary*, hosts Sean Blackmon and Jacquie Luqman are joined by **Dave Lindorff**, investigative journalist, editor of the online publication *ThisCantBeHappening.net* and 2019 winner of an “Izzy” Award for Outstanding Independent Media to discuss how an NPR report on the US sending depleted uranium shells to Ukraine downplayed the environmental and health impacts of the munitions, why this report's attempt to downplay that risk ignores how the munitions are actually used and how radioactivity can be introduced to the body, and how other outlets were able to acknowledge the risk of these munitions.

Segment 2 - In the second segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Chris Helali**, political analyst, researcher and Independent investigative journalist to discuss the anniversary of the destruction of the Nord Stream pipelines and why we still do not know much about what happened, why western countries would be motivated to keep their investigations classified and blame Russia for the destruction, and why accusations against Russia still do not make sense considering the purpose and importance of the Nord Stream pipeline to the country.

Segment - 3 – Special Guest - In the third segment, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Clau O'Brien Moscoso**, member of the Black Alliance for Peace Haiti/Americas Team to discuss protests held against Peruvian President Dina Boluarte during her visit to the UN General Assembly as Peru continues to grapple with its political crisis, why activists made connections with activists against “Cop City” in Atlanta as militarized police training threatens to proliferate around the world, and how civil society groups in Peru are continuing to protest against the government of Dina Boluarte and foreign intervention in the continent.

Special Guest - Later in the show, Sean and Jacquie are joined by **Dr. Charisse Burden-Stelly**, associate professor of African American Studies at Wayne State University and author of the new book, “Black Scare / Red Scare: Theorizing Capitalist Racism in the United States” to discuss the upcoming book “Black Scare / Red Scare” and how the book fits into the current political moment as many activists continue to warn of the threat of fascism, how the history of repression of Black radical activists connects to the repression of anti-Cop City activists and the African People’s Socialist Party today, and how ongoing controversy over the Center for Antiracist Research started by scholar Ibram X. Kendi highlights the ways that academia can be influenced by donors.

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