

The Political Violence of Global Capital: Dispossession and Repression in the Global South



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Paramilitarism a hybrid and complex type of politically-motivated violence involving non-state actors and state agents. Paramilitary groups have played an increasingly important role in contemporary armed conflicts as well as violent social environments in different parts of the world and have engaged in some of the most horrifying human rights violations. The proliferation of paramilitarism has been crucial to contemporary processes of capital and class formation, and particularly in land-grabbing, extractive industries operations, and the repression of struggles against privatization and austerity reforms.

Nevertheless, this phenomenon remains largely under-investigated and poorly understood. This presentation will explain paramilitary violence as a tool of economic globalization and will offer current examples of paramilitary groups in different parts of Latin America.



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