

Drone Wars and Fleeing

Drones (unmanned, remotely-controlled aircraft systems) are being increasingly employed in the last years for military purposes as reconnaissance and surveillance, but also for air strikes. Particularly infamous are the killing missions by British and US-American remotely controlled combat drones *Predator* and *Reaper*, which hit ground targets mostly with *Hellfire* missiles (air-to-surface missiles).



Image source: Drone Survival Guide <http://www.dronesurvivalguide.org>

We from the Rosa-Luxemburg-Initiative (i.e. the Bremen section of the Rosa-Luxemburg Foundation) have worked intensively in the last years on the issue of drone wars and have held several nationwide lectures on the matter.

We want to try to give a voice to the victims of this type of warfare. Now we would like to interview refugees present here in Germany on their experience with drones and to record the results in an appropriate form. The witnesses can choose what medium they prefer to make their contribution public (audio, video). With this we would like to give space and visibility to the views of the victims in the drone wars discourse.

Don't hesitate to contact us:

- Do you have any experience with drone operations? Would you like to tell us anything about this issue? Contact us so that we can listen to your story in a friendly environment. You can decide how we would be allowed to record your story.
- Do you have any experience with this or similar issues as an activist, volunteer or professional? Can you help us to get in contact with refugees that would be interested in this project? We are looking forward to your help or collaboration in our project.

Meeting for those who are interested:

Wednesday, June 15, 2016 - 6:30 pm in Bremen
Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung office, Breitenweg 25, 28195 Bremen (3rd floor)

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