

**Project Group (Number and Name): Group 4, Safety for everyone – studying alternative security concepts**

## Comment

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**Comment:** A superficial and way to short comment on police brutality

Our topic is called „Safety for everyone - Studying alternative Security Systems“. As we grow up we are being taught that the police ensures our safety. As we get older some of us start to question whether this is true or not. But unfortunately most of us only start to doubt whether the police actually ensures safety for everyone after being confronted with the arbitrary justice of the police. However in a country like Germany, the majority doesn't have to deal with this.

It mainly affects people suffering from social, economic, political, educational, religious and psychological marginalisation and LGBTQ+ communities.

Capitalism dictates our everyday life and furthermore dictates our security system. That is because Capitalism is based on ownership and the police is there to guarantee order in the concept of ownership.

Rich and privileged communities, those who are least affected by the arbitrariness of the police, thrive on the current constitutional state. That is why politicians put these problems aside because they themselves can profit from those. Furthermore it is known that a high percentage of voting citizens are people who do not belong to the above stated marginalised groups. Therefore politicians don't have to address political grievances in their party manifesto because the majority of their voters are not negatively affected by the police.

This problem is further increased by the insufficient media coverage. Thereby a false feeling of a mostly flawless system is generated. This feeling is reinforced by a higher news coverage on for example more violent US cases which in comparison plays down the problems we have in Germany.

It is essential to investigate the overall concept of safety itself.

There is this idea that safety means being protected by someone from someone - a certain group of people. Capitalism intersects with racism, xenophobia, misogyny and other systems of oppression. It is deeply rooted in our society to accept violence and crime from marginalised groups.

This leads to the discrimination and unfair treatment towards minorities. The narrative should be changed. Safety for everyone should mean ensuring equal and good living standards for everyone.

The state should guarantee financial stability, housing, mental and physical health care. These are essential for education. Furthermore a lot more resources should be

funnelled into supporting refugees. Not only financially but especially psychologically.

Not only is it a more efficient way to reduce criminality but solidarity and radical empathy should be a big part of our education. In a capitalistic society there can't be equal Living standards. Therefore there can't be safety for everyone in our capitalistic state.

We know this is not the most informative text, but its from the Heart.

WE WROTE 1312 WORDS.

## **Video Information**

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