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July Briefing

**Urge our U.S. Senators to Support
George Floyd Justice in Policing Act**

July 6, 2020

WHWN Briefing Agenda

George Floyd Justice in Policing Act

- Welcome - opening, reading & lighting the chalice, about UUSJ
- Overview of the bill, state of play
- National Defense Appropriations Act Sen. Schatz amendment to 1033 program: Wed., 4pmET
- Small group discussion (15min)
- Conducting WHWN & options for submitting letters
- Post-meeting 4-4:30pmET: conducting WHWN Zoom events, Zoom basics and tips; and open discussion.

Holy Disruption

By Aisha Hauser; Conversations with the Sacred: A Collection of Prayers

Some days it feels like it's just too much.

Some days I want to hide and shut it all out.

Some days I want to channel the ancestors who fought for liberation and for the right just to exist.

Every day, I want to know when to speak up and disrupt injustice, even in the seemingly insignificant moments. Each moment is significant, each day an opportunity arises when we can bear witness and choose to disrupt injustice.

Spirit of Life, give us the courage and the wisdom to become Holy Disrupters and Truth Tellers when called upon.

Grant us the humility to know that this is a practice and when we make mistakes we will try again with love and patience.

We are called to the caring and growing of souls and we are all in this together.

As people of faith who affirm the interdependent web of which we are all a part, we are called to become Holy Disrupters because we are all in this together.

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July WHWN Partner Information Session

From Congressional Black Caucus Fact Sheet: Justice in Policing Act 2020

- Work to End Racial & Religious Profiling
- Save Lives by Banning Chokeholds & No-Knock Warrants Limit
- Military Equipment on American Streets (1033 program) & Requires Body & Dashboard Cameras
- Hold Police Accountable in Court
- Investigate Police Misconduct
- Empower Our Communities to Reimagine Public Safety in an Equitable and Just Way
- Change the Culture of Law Enforcement with Training to Build Integrity and Trust
- Improve Transparency by Collecting Data on Police Misconduct and Use-of-Force
- Make Lynching a Federal Crime

Bi-partisan Amendment # 2252 to the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)

To Limit the 1033 Pentagon Program that has Militarized American Civilian Policing
UUSJ Briefing on Wednesday 4pmET

- **Amendment to NDAA would stop civilian police departments from receiving unnecessary military equipment from the Pentagon.**
- **This equipment transfer, authorized under the 1033 program, has fueled the militarization of American policing. (ACLU Report)**
- **Vote could be as soon as the week of July 20**
- **Urge your members of Congress to support this amendment.**



**Breakout Rooms for 15min.
Followed by How to Submit
Letters & Other Options**