#### The year 1492. Christopher Columbus, while looking for India falls on a contintent inhabited by 90 million people. The people greeted Columbus with gifts, and Colombus returned the gifts with rape, genocide, and enslavement. Walter Mignolo sets the stage in 2005

#### AND, Trying to better Latin America by forging economic connections is part of a long history of US imperialism – both protectionism and free trade are two sides of the same colonial way of thinking

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#### FURTHERMORE Coloniality generates a permanent state of exception that is the root cause of the death ethics of war and underwrites a hellish existence where death, murder, war, rape, and racism are ordinary facts of life

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Eurocentered colonialist ideology reinforces violent and demeaning heteronormativity. This labels the queer body as the other, justifying violence and discrimination.

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The heterosexual order of coloniality is propped up by continued colonial sexual violence.

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#### OUR ALTERNATIVE is to seek the demise of the Eurocentric, colonial ideology that justifies the death ethics of war. Epistemic and semiotic struggle is key if we want to solve these issues.

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#### FINALLY, the way the Aff produced knowledge comes first in your decision-making calculous—we have a responsibility to attack colonial thinking in ourselves and our community of debate practitioners or systemic violence and dehumanization are inevitable

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