Vote for Bernie Sanders in the Primary, but...

Millions of people around the country, especially young people, have eagerly flooded to Sanders’ campaign. There are good reasons why:

- Sanders has criticized the crying gap between the enormously wealthy, the CEOs of the monopoly corporations (the “1%”), and every else (the “99%”).
- He has called for limits on the role of big money in U.S. elections, particularly by reversing the “Citizens United” decision.
- He has called for a single-payer health care system, reduction of student debt, and a $15/hour minimum wage.
- In response to a question in the debate, he supported Black Lives Matter
- Finally, Sanders calls himself a socialist, which considers alternatives to the present system of monopoly capitalism.

These are all good reasons for people who are registered Democrats to vote for Sanders in the Democratic Primary (April 19 in New York State).

However, what Sanders is calling for are actually just reforms to the capitalist system. He really represents a form of social democracy that has been in power for decades in much of Western Europe. And even there the governments are reversing more and more of these reforms, using austerity measures to place the burden of the severe and recurring capitalist crises on the backs of the working people. For these reasons, we don’t think that the ruling class, which controls the media as well as the economy, will let Sanders win the Primary.

Sanders has already called on people to vote for whoever is the Democratic candidate in the general election. This will probably mean Hillary Clinton, who as Secretary of State already proved herself to be a war-maker and an ordinary representative of monopoly capitalism.

We urge all of Sanders’ supporters **not** to vote for any other capitalist candidate in the November election, but to vote for any of the progressive third party candidates.

Genuine socialism means the expropriation (taking away) of the major capitalist industry and the creation of a planned economy for the benefit of all under the rule of the working class. Sanders has not called for any such expropriation. And he almost never talks about the working class (only working people), and of course never calls for their rule.

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