Theme 3: Borders

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Gore Capitalism: Borderization and Live Regime

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"The talk will be divided in three parts. First, I will make a brief summary of what I understand to be the concept of Gore Capitalism (see Sayak Valencia, Gore Capitalism, MIT Press, 2018). Despite being formally theorized in a different context, I emphasize how the concept continues to be quite generative in illuminating linkages between explicit violence and drug trafficking, ten years later after its coinage. Second, I reflect on ‘borderization’ as a form of governance that is simultaneously manifested in our everyday realities and atrociously grounded in the geopolitical. Finally, I will unfold the linkages between Fascism 2.0 and what I denominate as Live Regime, and I posit that these linkages become intensified under the new realities of COVID-19 and g-lotaritism."

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