

Noam Chomsky says migrant caravan fleeing horrors created by U.S.



New York, November 5 (RHC)-- Noam Chomsky, the renowned intellectual and political activist, says the United States is responsible for the conditions that have led to the mass exodus from Central American countries

“People are fleeing from the misery and horrors for which we (the U.S.) are responsible... people fleeing from severe oppression, violence, terror, extreme poverty from three countries: Honduras – mainly Honduras, secondarily Guatemala, thirdly El Salvador – not Nicaragua, incidentally – three countries that have been under harsh U.S. Domination,” Chomsky said during an interview with Democracy Now.

United States President Donald Trump warned last week that the troops deployed to the border to stop the Central American Exodus, which he calls an “invasion,” will regard stones possibly thrown by migrants as firearms, paving the way for the use of lethal force by U.S. soldiers.

“All of this rings very familiar bells. It’s been a long-standing element of the U.S. propaganda system, mostly on the far right but not only, which goes way back and which is a kind of pathological feature of the dominant political culture that should be understood, analyzed and dismantled,” Chomsky said of Trump's

rhetoric which has dehumanized the men, women, and children walking to the U.S. southern border.

The activist also referred to the deployment of troops, calling it a charade. "Poor, miserable people, families, mothers, children, fleeing from terror and repression, for which we are responsible, and in reaction, they're sending thousands of troops to the border... They're frightening much of the country into believing that we're just on the verge of an invasion by, you know, Middle Eastern terrorists funded by George Soros, so on and so forth."

Over the weekend, the migrant exodus of between 5,000 and 7,000 people continued trekking north through Mexico despite having recently lost over 100 buses that would have taken them to Mexico City.

Earlier, Miguel Angel Yunes, the governor of the state of Veracruz promised to provide free buses to Mexico City. However, he rescinded the offer hours later citing a water shortage in the capital. "The shortage will affect more than seven million people," Yunes said but migrants believe it is only an "excuse."

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