

RESPONSE PAPER

ASSIGNMENT 1

TOPIC : ABORTION MYTHS AND MISCONCEPTION

(MYTHS ABOUT BLACK GENOCIDE)

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MYTHS ABOUT ABORTION AS BLACK GENOCIDE

I read a research paper by Dobbins-Harris, Shyrisa Published 2017 which deals with the concept of choice and forced choice. It was an interesting paper on the Internet which talks that how once race affect the choice of abortion the myth of abortion as Black genocide is very much strongly existing story. The myth of abortion as Black genocide is a burden for Black women their humanity and their agency to make medical decisions regarding their reproduction this the women have to make a decision completely to herself according to the religion and race or else she will be seen as the murderer of race. Any how it is like the burden to continue the race was in the shoulder of women. It was pretty much like the male partners don't have any role in the genocide happening inside the womb of black women proponents of this myth sexualize racism by centering Black-women and their wombs as the site of genocide. This research paper is covering the stereotypes that was reinforced through the films which was portraying black women as mummies where they Mammies originated as overweight, often dark-skinned, Black women who is loyal to their white masters and their babies. This stereotype was propagated to de sexualize and frame the mobility and freedom of Black women into certain limits. The past movements feed the abortion and contraception as Black genocide myth. The Black Panthers, the Pan-African Movement, and some in the Civil Rights movement all aligned themselves with anti-choice rhetoric aimed at Black-women and their reproductive capabilities. The black women are continued belief that Black women are promiscuous for being single mothers. The Black community should leave the myth of abortion as Black genocide and begin withdrawing support and shaming those who support it both outside and especially within black communities. Condemning black women that choose abortion helps all of these actors avoid taking any responsibility for the toxic environment that Black mothers must choose to deliver their infants into. So inside ring women as a vessel should need a change and it should be radical. Women

are seen as someone who is needed to bring revolutionaries to the world and that is what defines their identity and existence to the world.