

Glossary Term: Revolution

A **revolution** is an upheaval of a deeply rooted system of political thought. Revolutions are generally built up and founded in response to oppression, wrongdoings, or systemically repetitive actions that consistently bring about negative aspects of the lives of many individuals.

Revolutions are often accompanied by violence due to the radical changes that are often called for; one example of those who called for a revolution would be the Revolutionary Action Movement, founded in 1962 and created in response to the oppression that individuals of African descent were facing in the United States. The individuals who founded the movement believed that radical change and potentially separatism of blacks within a new nation of the U.S. called for the militance of many other civil rights groups. Although the revolutionary movement did not succeed in an actual revolution, it showcases the motivations behind a revolution and the potential radical outcomes that would ensue if the movement were to be successful.

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