

Collateral damage!

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Boston's Finest Police and Boston's Numbskull Mayor finally got what they have been training for and arming for, what they have been bigtime bragging about, what the papers and stooges on TV have been crowing about. First, they got what they paid those federally subsidized, Ashcroft Authorized millions of dollars for: the very very finest in state-of-the-art anti-riot and anti-people weapons.

And then their plastic shielded black helmeted Nazi Storm Trooper Motherfuckers finally got their b-i-i-i-i-g chance – the one they'd been itching for and hoping for these many months – to really, actually SHOOT the fancy pepper pellets and plastic bullets and stun guns that had lain amoldering in their holsters since the Republican National Convention.

They killed an innocent young girl in Boston last night.

A student, eating a sausage.

Collateral damage in the war against We The People that has just begun. The bill has finally arrived, and this is the price we have just begun to pay for our Police Nation.

Collateral damage – acceptable civilian casualties, as they smugly shrug.

We all caused Victoria Snelgrove's death when we stood by and let our government scare the sense out of us, and did nothing about it. Where were we when they BOUGHT those guns, and posed in front page photos, and aimed them at our children last month or shot them at us in Miami ?

Did you see the Riot Cops rush the field at Yankee Stadium on TV the other night?

Riot Cops !?!!!

And nobody flinched.

Nobody said nuttin'.

Business as usual.

The War on Terror, ya know.

Protecting our values, ya know.

Doing what we gotta do to protect The American Way of Life, ya know.

HOMELAND SECURITY, ya know.

They pointed their guns at us in Boston, and nobody said nuttin'.

They pointed them at us in NY, nuttin' was said.

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They USED them in Miami, and you can look it up, but you won;t find it in the papers.
And now, they got their wish, and got to use their guns, and Victoria Snelgrove is dead.

We cannot do one damn thing to bring her back. But we can do everything we humanly can do to take those guns away from the police, and make it our life's work to make sure that there are no more Victoria Snelgroves.

Or we can just sit there.