

# Jimmy Mubenga **MURDERED BY THE UK BORDER REGIME**



Jimmy Mubenga died on 12th October 2010, while being deported to Angola. He was being held down by three security guards. Kevin Wallis, a passenger on the aircraft, said he heard Jimmy complain: "I can't breathe, I can't breathe" for at least 10 minutes before he lost consciousness[1].

His wife, Makenda Kambana, said the family had been devastated by his death. "I feel so sad. I don't know, I was thinking if I was there to help him," she said. "The children just can't stop crying, and I don't know what to say to them."

This is yet another example of the violence of border regimes. Every year hundreds of people are deported from Europe, often by physical force, to face uncertain futures, poverty, persecution or death. Meanwhile hundreds die trying to enter the EU. According to the Institute for Race Relations, 77 people have died as the result of UK's harsh Border Regime in the last 5 years[2].

The guards worked for G4S, a private security firm that runs prisons and detention camps all over the world. The blame for Jimmy's death must be shared by the officials, politicians and media commentators who support this increasingly racist and unjust system of oppression, as well as the corporations who profit from enforcing it.

[1] <http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2010/oct/14/security-guards-accused-jimmy-mubenga-death>

[2] <http://www.irr.org.uk/2010/october/ha000024.html>