

### **The Pioneers of Technological-Small-Pox-Blankets?**

This week's readings ultimately worked to ask readers, how we can collectively work towards achieving a real ¿freedom?, while utilizing an umbrella of feminism, and when accepting the complex interconnectedness of the world. As our technological capabilities are carried into the future by the updates around our geographic data analysis and collection techniques, the adjoining technologies are also implicated in our movements towards progress, and should be considered as they'll influence the future political landscapes of human interaction.

These opinions seem to combat a prevailing sentiment, I'd argue as persistently appearing when confronting worldviews and thought patterns that ignore the consequences of capitalist's agenda in particular. This sentiment is perhaps related to a feeling of distance from the negative social impacts of GIS technologies and their 'pioneers'. At the end of the day then, the question for me seems to be relevant to our contemporary struggles emerging worldwide, against oppressive governments. But especially when faced with the 'data-fication,' and thus dehumanization of individuals, whole communities, and their attached populations...

In a simpler sense, perhaps this is clearest for me as we access government and local open-source databases. The question for me becomes, whether or not the data I'm using will actually be used for, or against the populations from which the information was pulled? Or as we've seen in the cases of Amazon, will I experience exponential capitalist gain while allowing the terrible work conditions of those who've supported me to remain the same? Or will I be conscious in my movements, and the many ways I will appear, still as just an individual, but within a historical and political context, overall?