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SURVEILLANCE: The Speaker, Who is Black, Clarifies the Public's Euphemisms

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Accountability (see *m*)

1. a measure of responsibility, *The officer is accountable to the taxpayer*; 2. quota; *Officers are accountable for their body counts when the taxpayer is watching*; 3. a measure of guilt

Impunity (variation of *imp*)

1. forgivable childlike mischief; 2. permission

Violence (from the color *violet* or dark red stain)

1. to bleed or bloom quickly; 2. a trait, *The Black body is violence; it does not entertain*

For 10 weeks, we will feature one poem per week from *Surveillance*, the new chapbook forthcoming from Writ Large Press. These poems by Ashaki M. Jackson explore police killings of Blacks captured on video and the public's consumption of these videos. Previous poems: [1](#), [2](#), [3](#), [4](#)

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