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### Looting, focus on white supremacy seem ill-advised

Those looting Atlanta, instead of Minneapolis, should consider what a former national coordinator for security, infrastructure, protection and counter-terrorism (from 1998-2003) said regarding the invasion of Iraq: "Having been attacked by al Qaeda, for us to now go bombing Iraq in response would have been like our invading Mexico after the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor." The opinion essay by Andrew Young ("Lives must matter in a most serious time for us all," News, June 1), while sound overall, states there is a "contagion of white supremacy." A "contagion" is defined in my dictionary as a transmission of an influence on the mind or emotions. Frankly, I don't see it. I see a problem that generally requires local government reforms. If a majority of black people see "contagion," there is little hope. I don't think a majority of black people do, but perhaps I am wrong.

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