Under Water

Drowning

Two hands hold me down

One, colored in beautiful melanin with a Black Lives Matter armband

The other white as snow with a rainbow arm band

Still Drowning

I open my eyes for a minute to look above

I see they have guns wielded in their opposite hands

I close my eyes, so they don't get bloodshot red

Still Drowning

I look again

They are yelling at each other

Words made of steel and titanium

Still drowning

I scream and shake around, but their hands stand stiff as statues in place until

BANG

One of them take a shot at the others skin color

I feel something pull me down

Like I was shot myself, but no one can help me

I am still drowning

BANG

The other one takes a shot

"All of you will end up burning forever"

I fall deeper as the water crushes me into nothing

I am still Drowning

BANG BANG BANG BANG

I can hear the shootout but not for long as for each shot they take

The deeper I fall into the abyss

Drowning

Do they not care

Drowning

Am I a nothing but an inconvenience?

Drowning

The sheep that was too dark for the other black sheep

Drowning

While they continue to fight for a Pyrrhic victory

I am under water

Drowning

Because I am just noise to them

Noise they need to drown out