The abolition of the Atlantic slave trade (and following that, of slavery itself) underlines the complexity of the slave trade era. For example, we are told that Africans both helped and hindered the efforts to abolish slavery: but of course, some of these were Africans in Africa, while others were Africans in the diaspora.

Please review the Northrup readings for this week and explain how or why Africans both opposed and supported efforts to end the slave trade.

Limit: three pages.

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