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STOP THE NEW OFFENSIVE OF US IMPERIALISM AND ZIONISM ON PALESTINE AND THE MIDDLE EAST!

FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF THE ZIONIST-FASCIST STATE OF ISRAEL!

Lebanon, Syria, Iraq...

The revolutions against hunger and for bread must succeed

**OUT WITH AL-ASSAD AND ALL THE IMPERIALIST
LACKEY REGIMES!**

A single revolution in the entire region



Syria: the masses take to the street in the areas under al-Assad fascist jackboot occupation



Palestine



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**THE GREATEST ALLIES OF THE REVOLUTIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST
ARE THE MOBILIZED MASSES IN USA AND FRANCE**

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Facing a region shaken by of hunger-driven uprisings that claim for the fall of the regimes in Lebanon, Iraq and the return to the streets of the Syrian masses in Damascus, imperialism is preparing a heavy blow...

Stop the offensive of imperialism and its Zionist gendarme on the Palestinian people and the whole Middle East!

For the destruction of the Zionist-Fascist state of Israel!
For a free, secular, democratic, non-racist Palestine from the River Jordan to the Sea!

No to Caesar's law of Syria submission to imperialism!
Out with Bashar Al Assad, Putin, Erdogan and all the invading troops!

Palestine, Syria and the Maghreb and Middle East, one single intifada that should be the grave of imperialism and its Zionist fascist agent Israel!

The crisis within the imperialist beast is exacerbated day by day. George Floyd's assassination was the trigger that unleashed the rage of the working class in the heart of the America. In the richest nation, millions of poor are taking to the streets against the Trump government, its murderous police and its foreign policies.

This has been a major blow to America's plans for dealing with the conflicts abroad in which it has been involved. Especially in the Maghreb and the Middle East, where the fall in the price of a barrel of oil, the Covid-19 pandemic and the enormous cost of living due to a general collapse in the region's currencies has once again driven the masses into the streets.

The demands were once again those of the 2011 revolutions, which have not been solved at all. Hunger continues to hit hard on the masses, and local totalitarian regimes continue to oppress the masses under the worst forms of dictatorships. Small glimpses of "democracy" in countries like Tunisia or Egypt were only a way back to fascism. That is why the masses are once again taking to the streets. In Lebanon, Iraq, Iran and especially Syria, the masses continue to take to the streets with the slogan "the people want the fall of the regime", in the latter even threatening the stability of the dog Bashar al-Assad's government.

In the face of this, imperialism knows it must act. But the possibility of direct intervention by imperialism in Syria in particular is



Zionist attack on Gaza revolted masses

even more remote than it already was. Its own working class won't let it go on new military adventures. In fact, the way the US has been handling the situation was through the Geneva, Sochi and Astana conferences, that is, through counter-revolutionary pacts where Russia, Iran and Hezbollah did the dirty work, while Turkey and the Sunni bourgeoisie controlled the revolution "from within" by posing as allies. Thus, with their agents, by force of bombs, fire, misery, hunger and deception, they were hitting the Syrian revolution, one of the links in the chain of Middle East revolutions of 2011 that had gone the furthest.

Now the US needs to defeat the revolution completely, by re-

moving its agents out of the way and returning with its own troops and people. But it finds itself dealing with an uprising within its own borders, which puts a huge limit on its interventions.

That is why it launched, as the last resource, the acclaimed "Caesar's Law", a law voted by the US Senate in late 2019 that aims to "take anyone who has committed war crimes, while being part of the Basharist regime in Syria to court. At the same time he wants to sharply limit the support of Russia, Iran and Hezbollah for the Syrian government. This maneuver, endorsed by the Sunni bourgeoisie, is a ploy of imperialism to get the masses off the streets with false promises, preparing a favorable scenario in which a new wave of bombings on the exploited and refugee Syrians who refuse to accept the transition plan and do not surrender is not ruled out. They want to defeat the Syrian revolution to the end, seeking to stabilize the region for future business of rebuilding the country after the war.

Imperialism seeks the return of its Zionist gendarme as a key device of domination in the Middle East

In a race against time against the development of new uprisings, and limiting its agents, the United States seems to have chosen to give back in a forceful way the firepower to its gendarme in the region, the fascist Zionist state of Israel. The advance of the counterrevolution in Maghreb and the Middle East and the policy of the PLO, Hamas and also of the world left separating the Palestinian cause from the revolutions in the region were favoring Zionism. The fact is that **more and more they massacred the working class of Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, the worse it was for the Palestinian masses because more and more Zionism massacred and occupied this nation.**

Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as capital city of the fascist state and the plan of annexation of 30% of the West Bank (called "the deal of the century") that Zionism seeks are only some of the signs that show that the **United States has decided to defend its businesses in the Middle East through its gendarme.**

But in doing so, it seeks to legitimize this beast that kills the Palestinians. That is why they have launched a campaign to make the perpetrators look like victims, proposing a law in the congresses of the capitalist nations, which harshly condemns anyone who dares to demand the Zionist State of Israel to stop massacring Palestinians, under the label of "anti-Semitism", comparing a complaint or demand to the State of Israel as if it were an insult of a racist, fascist or Nazi nature. This is clearly a maneuver that seeks to give Benjamin Netanyahu more power of direct action in pursuit of the giants and millionaires deals of U.S. imperialism throughout the Maghreb and the Middle East.

The left at the feet of Zionism and the counter-revolutionary plans of imperialism

The outrageous of this situation is that the parties and leaderships of the left organizations have aligned themselves behind the bourgeois governments and parliaments.



Palestinian masses march against Zionism

In the particular case of Argentina an unprecedented situation has come to light where two parties claiming to be of the left and defending the Palestinian cause have consciously voted in favor of a law that favors Zionism and its policy of pretending to be the victim when they are the perpetrators. After 8 days of voting for it and defending it with all their might, due to the enormous criticism they received from thousands of honest social activists, they had to rectify themselves and gave false excuses (see box).

But now everything is clear. Their faces have fallen. This is no surprise. They support the "two-state" policy they propose as the "most viable" solution to the conflict in Palestine. They recognize in one way or another Israel's right to exist, thus endorsing the unheard of massacre that Zionism has been carrying out for 80 years on the Palestinian nation. They stepped back from - or were never part of - the struggle for the destruction of the Zionist-Fascist state of Israel.

To recognize the institutions of the Zionist state, to raise that there is an "Israeli working class" that would also have the right to housing and a fascist union as Histadrut is, or even praising the Zionist left is an intent to give credit to supposed democratic institutions that float on gallons and gallons of spilled blood of the exploited Palestinian pariahs who wake up every day with the idea of fighting to return to their usurped, destroyed, demolished homes by an invented nation and sustained in its beginnings by Stalin and British imperialism.

To raise a policy of two states or a "binational state" is to condemn the Palestinians to be confined in ghettos and to recognize a gendarme state of imperialism as legitimate, a state that relies on the religious book of the Torah as a basis for its existence.

This is the left servant of Zionism, the same one that came out to condemn "Islamic extremism" and shouted "the enemy is the Islamic state" by saving the back of the dog Bashar and the butcher Putin who did the dirty work of imperialism of massacring the masses, which is proposing to recognize a religious state as legitimate.

The same goes for those who argue that the Palestinian people should have the right to self-determination, as if they were no longer an occupied nation and as if Zionism were an oppressor and not an occupier.

This is a left that ultimately recognises a so-called "Israeli nation", when it is an artificial state, an enclave that imperialism created in order to impose a gendarme on the region. It is a state imposed on the basis of the massacre and occupation of the Pal-

estinian people, driving them from their homes. Its inhabitants are occupying settlers, who are required to do three years of military service and then become reservists in their assigned units, where they must report when called upon. There is no nation there, but an army as an arm of imperialism to subdue the Palestinian people and the masses of the Middle East.

There are currents that claim that there is a nation there only because of time passed, because there are born children of settlers working there. But just because time passed it does not give legitimacy to this imperialist enclave. On the contrary, it makes the occupation of the land even worse. Those who continue to live there, descendants or not, are in the homes and lands taken from the Palestinians.

The Palestinian bourgeoisie, guarantor of the "2 states"

The main guarantors of the two states within the Palestinian territory are the Palestinian bourgeoisie. Not to mention the PLO, which openly recognizes the Zionist state, signed the Oslo accords and fills its prisons with fighters of the Palestinian people against Zionism. But also Hamas, without openly recognizing Israel, in the last few years has said that what it was aiming for a Palestine with the 1967 borders.

Now they say that they will make a block together to confront the annexations. But this is because what they are avoiding in any case is a further advance of Zionism and being the ones to administer the Bantustans where the Palestinian people are confined today as outcasts in their own land. They do not seek at all a total offensive against Zionism for its destruction and for regaining the territory that was occupied.

They do not unite all the Palestinian people for this fight, and certainly not the masses of the Middle East, from whose revolutions the Palestinian people have been separated. As in Syria, where they argued that the Palestinians should be neutral in order to also have the support of Al-Assad, who massacred thousands of Palestinians in the Yarmouk refugee camp while not firing a single shot at Zionism (see box). And, as we said above, more and more the Syrian revolution was massacred, more and more Zionism was strengthened.

For the destruction of the Zionist-Fascist state of Israel!

Zionism, as an arm of imperialism, is advancing. Its prisons are filled with Palestinian prisoners. Twelve-year-old children and



Gaza March on Return confronts the Zionist army

pregnant women are arrested just for resisting against the Zionists destroying their homes. The bombing of the besieged Gaza that does not surrender continues.

NO BINATIONAL STATE, NO TWO STATES! PALESTINE IS A SINGLE ONE, FROM THE RIVER JORDAN TO THE SEA, WITH JERUSALEM AS CAPITAL CITY. ZERO MARGIN OF RECOGNITION FOR ZIONISM AND ITS INSTITUTIONS!

DOWN WITH THE PACTS OF SUPPORT TO ISRAEL SIGNED BY THE BOURGEOISIES OF THE REGION, LIKE CAMP DAVID IN 1978 AND OSLO IN 1993!

IF THERE ARE WORKERS IN ISRAEL WHO WANT TO FIGHT AGAINST ZIONISM, LET THEM SIDE WITH THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE WITH THEIR WEAPONS, BURN THEIR PASSPORTS, THEIR DOCUMENTS AND LEAVE THEIR HOMES AND GIVE THEM BACK TO THEIR REAL OWNERS. They must join the Palestinian trade unions and fight with the Palestinian masses and their methods and organizations AGAINST THE FASCIST ZIONIST STATE.

For the destruction of the Zionist-Fascist state of Israel! For a free, secular, democratic and non-racist Palestine, which can only be guaranteed by a workers' and peasants' government! A Palestinian national assembly of Gaza, the West Bank and all the Diaspora!

We must return to the path of 2000, recovering the weapons for the Palestinian people to confront genocidal Zionism and its army!

It is the duty of the international working class to surround the US embassies and those of the Zionist state and kick out the consul wherever they have a representative office. In particular, the American working class rebels have in their hands the possibility of paralyzing the war machine and striking from within the imperialist beast that finances Zionism. They, together with the French workers, with the Black Vests, who continue to win the streets, are the great allies of the Palestinian masses.

It is the same fight against the occupier, who will succeed with a revolution, as part of the chain of revolutions that is shaking the Maghreb and the Middle East. In the whole region, the same infitada!•

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Carried out by Al Assad, as Zionism's watchdog on behalf of imperialism

The Yarmouk massacre the crushing of the revolting Syrian and Palestinian masses

Yarmouk is the Palestinian refugee camp in Damascus (located 8 km south of the city center), established after Zionism occupied its land. Around 160,000 Palestinians lived there. They were part of the huge marches that filled the Syrian streets against Bashar Al Assad and for the fall of the regime.

Al Assad responded to these mobilizations as he did throughout the Syrian revolution: with massacre. From 2011 to 2013 there were bullets, tanks and bombings by Assadist genocidal forces on Yarmouk. In 2013 the regime imposed a siege on Yarmouk, using one of its deadliest weapons: hunger. Without running water, without electricity, the survivors of the incessant bombardments fed on cats and dogs to survive.

The Stalinist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine - General Command (FPLP-CG) acted as internal police, supporting the fascist Al Assad who massacred the Palestinians in the Yarmouk camp.

In December 2013 alone, Al Assad with his allies killed 6,000 Palestinians. But by the end of 2014, 140,000 of the 160,000 Palestinians were gone. They had been killed, imprisoned under the worst of torture, or forced to leave their homes devastated by Assadist bombings.

However, this brutal massacre was not enough. In order to surrender the Palestinian masses that had revolted against Al Assad, the UN had to go to offer "humanitarian aid" in exchange for the masses giving up their fight against Al Assad. In April 2015, there were only 18,000 Palestinians resisting in Yarmouk, who did not surrender, neither with the massacre nor with the



Yarmouk massacred and devastated

hunger fence or with the UN.

The strategy of imperialism together with Bashar was to send the Islamic State to defeat what was left of the resistance and with the excuse that there were Islamic extremists, the dog Al Assad had the green light to unload his entire arsenal and together with the Russian aviation and Hezbollah made this Palestinian ghetto scorched earth.

Today only 1,200 people live in Yarmouk, since it is completely destroyed, with its devastated infrastructure and demolished homes.

Yarmouk is the reflection of the Geneva conference, which is written with "D" of death. It was from there where the Al Assad massacre on behalf of imperialism was organized.

Yarmouk is comparable to the 21st century Sabra and Shatila massacre, two Palestinian camps in Lebanon massacred in 1982 by the Lebanese phalanx, on behalf of and under the command of Zionism, with the area liberated by the Syrian army led by Hafez Al Assad (Bashar's father) who was guarding that area of Lebanon at the time.

Bashar learned from his father. A brutal massacre in Yarmouk and years of genocide against the Syrian masses was what took place. Thus he guarded Zionism, since if the masses advanced

on Damascus, crossing the Golan and joined the Palestinian people in a single intifada to defeat and expel the occupier and destroy the State of Israel. Syria and Palestine were always the same fight against the same enemy. Divided, Al Assad and Zionism were strengthened.

Al Assad's left-wing servants said he was "anti-imperialist" and that he

faced Zionism, when it is more than clear that he was his agent. The same was said of the Iranian ayatollahs, whom like Al Assad, were "brave" to massacre the masses when they revolt, even the Palestinians, but cowards who did not shoot a single bullet against Zionism. Their "anti-imperialism" and "anti-Zionism" is nothing more than a pose to deceive the masses.

That is why we are not surprised that this lackey Left today votes the laws of Zionism and stands as the support of imperialism and its counter-revolutionary plan in the Middle East. It comes from covering up those who did the dirty work of massacring the masses and guarding the borders of Zionism.

Honor the Yarmouk martyrs and the entire Syrian revolution!

For the destruction of the Zionist-fascist State of Israel!

Out with the fascist Al Assad and all the invading troops!

Palestine and Syria, together with Lebanon, Iraq and all the exploited in the Middle East, the same intifada!

There will be no justice for the massacred Palestinian masses without settling accounts with Al Assad, the lackey of imperialism who guards Zionism's borders.

We hereby publish an opinion article of Ivan Leon from Argentina exposing currents such as the PTS which claim to be left but their MP's voted laws that legitimize and support Zionism in its attack on Palestine and the Middle East

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The PTS, since it was found red-handed with Zionism, has tried to hide the evidence

I read, and although I find it hard to believe, it is as I said. But the PTS can't hide anything. Its program gives it away and shows that its legislators have consciously voted for the pro-Zionist law in the Buenos Aires legislature. The point is that they did not have their party convinced enough for this, as they did for years when they took in Stalinist Gramsci through the window. Thus, seeking to wash their clothes, to try to cover themselves and get out of the swamp, among other tricks they propose now to fight for a "binational socialist Palestine".

What do you mean for "binational"? In Palestine there is only one nation that must be recognized as Palestine. Judaism is a religion, not a nation. It is the US imperialists' and Zionism that have occupied Palestine at gun point, massacres, pogroms plus the expulsion of Palestinians from their lands since 1948.

Zionist forces must be expelled into the sea. The State of Israel is a gendarme state of occupation supported by imperialism and the oil companies to defend their interests in the Middle East. A true US Imperialists' ground carrier in Palestinian territory as security arm of imperialism... The only minimal and democratic task there is to drive out the invading troops and destroy the state of Israel. Only then can there be democracy and coexistence even among all religions in peace. Expelling imperialism and recovering Palestine are tasks that only a worker and peasant government can conquer, supported by the revolution of all the masses of the Middle East against imperialist rule.

The PTS has liquidated the historical slogan of the Palestinian people of "Free, secular, democratic and non-racist Palestine" from the Jordan River to the sea with its capital Jerusalem. Under the name "socialist" it conceals the "two-state" policy of the Oslo counterrevolutionary agreements, which under the UN mandate gives the Palestinian people a nation to live in ghettos and Zionism its full control, with a collaborationist Palestinian and Arab bourgeoisie... And this farce the PTS

calls "dismantling the state of Israel" when the only way to dismantle it is to destroy it! A shame. They support a true "Vichy Republic", like the one that stood up in France under the Nazi occupation and with the collaboration of the French bourgeoisie.

"Socialist Palestine", recognizing the counter-revolutionary occupation forces of the US imperialists', as is Zionism on the Palestinian nation? That is to become a collaborative force with the occupant.

"Self-determination of Palestine"? That is infamous. Palestine is an already independent nation that was occupied and for decades its thousand-times-massacred people have been fighting to recover it.

The bankruptcy of the left today in Palestine is exposed by their assimilation to the policy of the founders of the wretched Zionist occupation state: Stalin and the US imperialists in 1948 and the sellout pacts of 1967.

Dozens of proto Zionist groups and groupings have flooded the world... They infiltrate leftist parties and sects. **Bolsheviks knew what to do with this imperialist-supported Zionist movement: to expel it from the ranks of the Russian Social Democratic Workers Party as in 1902.**

Why do they appear now? It's simple: Zionism must regain firepower in the Middle East. Fascist al-Assad cannot stabilize rebellious Syria... The Iranian theocracy is confronted by its own starving people. In Iraq and Lebanon the masses are already uprising. That is why laws in favor of Zionism are voted simultaneously in all countries. Zionism needs coverage to pose as "victim" and "kindly" to refill the Middle East with even more blood of the oppressed.

A gathering of pro-Zionist forces led by Stalinists and ex-Trotskyites such as Alan Woods, Peter Taaffe, deputies from Argentina's PO and PTS, or a small Zionist group such as the RCIT, have stood up to cover up Zionism.

They will be jointly responsible for the upcoming massacres... Fascist Assad and Putin have already done

their dirty work in Syria. Until yesterday these currents gave them their support. Meanwhile they supported the Kurdish Stalinists pact with the US imperialists' troops in northern Syria. They support the counter-revolutionary regime of the Iranian theocracy as if this were not the biggest obstacle for the Iranian workers and people to defeat the US imperialists' offensive. And now the time has come to cover the counter-revolutionary outrages of Zionism from the left. **THEY HAVE TO DISGUISE THAT COUNTER REVOLUTIONARY MONSTER... AND THEY WERE PLEASED TO VOTE ITS LAWS...** but they couldn't. They were discovered red-handed...

The civil war has long been installed in the Middle East and the social-imperialist parties... always on the side countering the masses. But the telltale is over... They must go and return what they had charged. Come on, everybody knows what they are playing: they are the heirs to the policy of Stalinism that under the policy of "two states" has covered up since 1948 the occupation of the Palestinian nation by fascist Zionism. Even that mud of ignominy have they thrown to the flags of the Fourth International. They support from the left and are yet another collaborative force of this "Vichy Republic" of Zionism against the Palestinian nation. Until yesterday they supported al-Assad and Putin to massacre in Syria, including tens of thousands of Palestinians from the Yarmouk camp, just 8 kilometers from the capital, Damascus. Now, after the defeat of the Syrian revolution, imperialism needs Zionism to divide and share its new colony. A collaborationist left travels the world. They all have one point in common: refusing to fight for the historical claim of the Palestinian nation: free, secular, democratic and non-racist.

The workers and peasants of Palestine and the entire Middle East will take it in their hands and lead it to victory.

IVAN LEON

Syria

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With al-Assad, Putin and Erdogan, under US imperialist command, the only reality is further looting, currency devaluation, shortages and an unsustainable cost of living

Powered by hunger, The Syrian masses once again take to the streets to the cry of “The People want the fall of the Regime”

“Anti-regime hunger-driven revolution continues”

Huge marches are shaking Syria again. As in 2011, now the masses take to the streets not only in Idlib, but, and mainly, in the areas occupied under the fascist boot of al-Assad, such as Aleppo, Hama, Swayda, Daraa and the same Damascus outskirts. They are again driven by hunger. The Syrian lira has plummeted, reaching a 100% devaluation in less than a week, which has made the already inaccessible prices of bread, tea, vegetables and staple foods even more expensive. That is why the exploited are rising again, even after 9 years of suffering genocide and living under fascism that shoots to kill anyone who participates in a mobilization.

On June 8, on the first anniversary of the death of the hero of the revolution, Abd el Basset Sarout, (who was a goalkeeper for the national team), thousands of exploited took to the streets taking up placards with his face and chanting



Syrian masses take to the streets against al-Assad again in 2020

“the people want the fall of the regime!” Thus a succession of mobilizations has begun that take place almost daily in the mentioned cities.

The Middle East masses are rising up against imperialist looting and widespread famine

The global economic crisis has been plaguing workers around the world. It has hit the countries of the Middle East hard with the fall in the price of oil, and this crisis is unloaded on the masses, who are left in the worst of miseries, while what little is still there, is looted by imperialism. Imperialism has left only super-indebted states like Lebanon and Tunisia or Sudan, economies broken by oil looting like Libya, Syria, Iraq, without leaving a single dollar even for infrastructure.

Thus, corruption, imperialist looting compounded by local governments that are imperialism's subordinates, and the constant

and accelerated devaluation of the currency are common factors in the region.

For example, in Lebanon, the currency is continuously plummeting, prices soar and infrastructure collapses. For this reason the Lebanese masses are repeatedly taking to the streets and clashing directly with Hezbollah's anti-worker troops and the Lebanese army. They block the roads to every city and surround the house of Prime Minister Hassan Diab, burning banks on their way, since they identify the enemy clearly. Those banks have stolen their savings, their wage, their means of subsistence.

But for the exploited in Syria, the situation is even worse after 9 years of massacre and genocide at the hands of Bashar and Putin, on behalf of US imperialism, leaving hundreds of thousands of dead, millions of displaced people and devastated cities.

The response of the working class and the exploited in the Middle East to such a catastrophe already erupted last year, reviving the revolutions of 2011. In Yemen, Sudan, Iraq, Iran and Lebanon, the working classes, driven by hunger, clashed again and again with the forces of repression of the imperialism-servant states. Hunger could not be solved by making up the regimes by means of democratic reforms, which on the other hand were but a detour to return to fascism and authoritarian, dictatorial regimes, as we can see in Egypt.

After a short interruption as quarantines were decreed for the rapid expansion of COVID-19, today we see Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, Palestine exploding again ...

The natural allies of the Middle East exploited, the working class of the central countries have taken to the streets

The uprisings in the heart of the imperialist states are a gulp of fresh air. They are the allies that we so longed for and hoped would go out to fight. With them we directly hit those who command the genocidal offensive in Syria and plunder the entire Middle East.

The Black Vests in France, which are the slaves from the Maghreb all of Africa, have entered combat. The black and Latin working class in the heart of the US imperialist beast surround the citadel of power in combat against the bosses who far from caring about the health of their workers have forced them to work even under the threat of the Coronavirus, leaving them fully exposed without EPP and sent to clean all the residues and infected material. Their dead are found by the thousands in mass graves. Black workers fall like flies along with immigrants and Chicanos while the bourgeois flee to their mansions. And this happens in the richest country in the world.

Police mistreatment was the trigger for the current wave of fighting that began in Minneapolis after the police murdered African-American George Floyd. Shock waves have hit Spain, England, Germany, Greece, Mexico, Brazil, to name a few.

These revolutionary days have put the US imperialists' central command in crisis and this has a direct impact on the nations that the United States oppresses and loots, such as Syria and Iraq, where it has military bases and troops on the ground.

Thus, this fight in the US and the crisis of imperialism, added to the hunger suffered in Syria, compounded with the crisis that has opened among the clans that make up the



Syrian refugees

Alawite bourgeoisie who govern the country by opening divisions between them, have been the trigger for the uprisings in the area occupied by al-Assad, both in the heart of Damascus and in Swayda, whose population belongs to the Druze ethnic group, which have maintained a non-aggression pact with Bashar since 2011.

The expectations of those who fight in liberated territories against misery and confront the governments of the local bourgeoisie as well as against the Turkish-Russian occupation troops have grown exponentially as they see their best allies, the American working class, rise up and confront those looting the Middle East and the world in their own home. Whoever has known how to resist and stay on their feet in the last trenches of the revolution, like the rebel masses of Idlib, the partisans of a revolution that has not stopped for even an instant, say that the victory of the revolution can come if these uprisings driven by hunger throughout Syria, twinned with the masses of Lebanon and Iraq that confront their regimes and the imperialist transnationals looting the region, coordinate with the uprisings in the United States and Europe.

The “Caesar Syria Civilian Protection Act of 2019” (the Caesar Act), the tool for a transition to get the Syrian masses off the streets and strengthen the control of imperialism in Syria

US imperialism has just announced that it will initiate the application of the so-called “Caesar Act”, which is, a law voted in the US Congress that dictates a series of sanctions against the al-Assad regime. It is definitely a mandate that “would put in place” the agents who have been massacring in Syria, since it allows for “trying” them for war crimes (with a parody of a trial where all genocidal generals and officers would be saved) to remove them from Damascus. It would also nullify millionaire arms contracts with the Russian government, letting Putin know that his role is merely one is a hit man, that is, that he is there to massacre the masses and cannot keep any business.

The “Caesar Act”, is applied after 9 and a half years of letting Bashar massacre the Syrian revolution, making it clear that it was the United States that coordinated the counter-revolution through the Geneva, Sochi and Astana pacts.

Since December last year, the Trump government has been threatening to apply the Caesar Act, seeking the opportune moment to begin the orderly transition to a government that in Syria guarantees colossal post-war businesses that imperialism has in mind. However, that moment never came because the exploited in Syria have not stopped mobilizing for a second, despite and against HTS, the bombings of Bahsar and Russia, or the brutal repression by the Turkish occupation army. Time and again they cut the M4 route, preventing the Sochi pact of Syria partitioning from being applied, and demonstrating that in Idlib the revolution continues to resist on its last line.

Now, hunger has struck and the masses returned to the streets, at a time when Lebanon and Iraq are in revolt. It is imperative for US imperialism to control the situation. That is why they now announce the application of the Caesar Act, which is celebrated by the entire Sunni democratic bourgeoisie, to mount a democratic deceptive mechanism to take the masses out from the fight against Bashar, to contain the situation until the US high command believes that it is ready to be able to replace al-Assad.

In the midst of this most dangerous deception, a current of the reformist left in Argentina has vindicated imperialism and assigned it a liberating role. This current has come out to announce that Kurdistan has been liberated thanks to the intervention of imperialism. Thus, any Syrian would conclude that the Caesar Act would now have to be supported because the US imperialists would be able to liberate Syrian people from al-Assad.

Once again, the PTS is the spokesperson for what the entire world left affirms when they vindicate "Rojava", silencing the role of US imperialism there. This small Argentine national sect has the "merit" of openly saying what everyone understated but none dared to speak out.

We are facing a plan to establish the cemetery of the Syrian revolution, a protectorate in which imperialism loots with impunity and a point of support of the counter-revolution to appease the masses of the Middle East. The reformist left is, once again, upholding the counterrevolutionary action of imperialism and its agents.

Though, nowhere it is written that this has to be so. Hunger is an urgent necessity and that will not be solved by the Caesar Act, since imperialism and its looting is the main responsible of hunger.

Idlib's resistance appeal to resume the path of the 2011 revolution

That is why today, when the revolution is revived again, we must urgently call a large NATIONAL CONGRESS of delegates to unify the revolutionaries, the workers who rise up in the al-Assad areas, the refugees who have been resisting the worst hardships, abandoned by the world left in front of the cannons of imperialism and its lackeys. **Let a great Shora or Majlis of workers and peasants stand up to coordinate the mobilizations against Bashar, both in liberated and in occupied territories** to conquer bread, land and freedom!

Let's throw al-Assad down! Out with all the invading troops!

We must open the arsenals and make available every bullet, every rifle, in order to succeed in our fight against the regime and its mercenary troops. **We must re-establish the coordination committees of the revolution with direct democracy and recovering arms for the people!**

Those who do business and enrich themselves with the sweat and suffering of the masses must be **expropriated** with utmost urgency! In moments when the workers cannot afford to buy anything, it is time for everything to be expropriated.

It is essential to establish a government of combatants and workers because once the territories have been recovered, millions of exploited people must return to their lands and rebuild their homes.

We must cut off the head of the Assadian snake that is in Damascus, expropriate the banks, land and wealth that were stolen from us, starting with the oil companies that are looting us. There is the money to rebuild the houses and have bread and a decent life, as was claimed in 2011 and is still claimed now.



Idlib: anniversary of Abd El Basset Sarout martyrdom

We must conquer this way a workers' plan to escape from the crisis they have left us, in order to have bread, land for the peasants and all the demands of the exploited.

Down with the Geneva-Sochi pact! Away the invaders from our land!

We call on the Turkish working class and its organizations to rise to the situation and confront Erdogan, who is the guarantor of the Syrian looting and who watches over the war borders on Bashar so that the masses do not advance.

We call on the working class in Lebanon confronting the regime and Hezbollah to unify our fighting. As well as the exploited in their marches say, in the banks, in the tax havens, there is the money that has been robbed from the people. We must expropriate the banks to resolve our demands!

The Kurdish working class, which has been subjected to the pact between PKK and al-Assad and US imperialism, must break their submission to their executioners and return to the front of the revolution, to succeed in their fight for self-determination, breaking with the Kurdish bourgeoisie.

As our siblings the Black Vests in France say, "Fear has changed sides!" As our oppressed siblings shout in the US "No justice, no peace" ... in Syria, without justice for our martyrs, without al-Assad getting out, without releasing prisoners, without a dignified life, there will be no peace, of course neither will it be in Lebanon as long as the banks continue to steal the money and as long as the IMF and imperialism continue looting our nation, or of course there will be no one in Iran, where the ayatollahs live like kings while the people live like beggars. There can be no peace if we do not defeat the Zionist occupiers and conquer a free, secular, democratic and non-racist Palestine.

There can be no peace if we do not expel imperialism and all its agents from the Middle East, liberate all prisoners, and recover the wealth for the exploited. Only then we will have a decent life.

ABU MUAD AND ABU MUHAJER

Idlib revolutionaries' manifesto to fighters from all over the Maghreb, the Middle East and the World

STEIF ABU IZEN AND ABU MUADZ

*From Lebanon to Palestine to Iraq to Tunisia to Idlib to Berlin,
we are links in a single revolutionary chain ...*

To have bread, work, land, freedom and a decent life ...

In worker's month, let's unite more than ever internationally to defeat those who starve and massacre

We have heard the news that a judge in Germany has set out to try a general of the Basharist regime as a war criminal.

It was time for someone to think of us! Our revolution began more than 9 years ago and what we started with enormous enthusiasm and joy suffers with the counter-revolution and the massacres, leaving tears, blood and death.

Even so, our hope is not placed in the hands of this judge or bourgeois justice, but in the actions and struggles that we carry out day by day. It is in the thousand and one ways that we seek to resist hunger with our devalued currencies and a dollar going through the roof, with total shortages, with 95% of workers suffering unemployment and those who get jobs doing so for wages of US\$ 2 per day.

Since the resistance in Idlib resurged, about a month and a half ago, we have been blocking one of the main roads in the country, the M4 road, which runs from the west to the east of Syria. This is where, as agreed at the Sochi Putin and Erdogan Conference under Trump's approval, patrols of Turkish and Russian convoys had to pass.

But we have prevented it. Only us, as there was neither HTS (ex Al Nusra) nor the Syrian National Army (SNA, ex FSA) to support us. The workers of Syria, we only suffer misery, but we are convinced, above all things, that the revolution will live as long as we continue fighting. That is why we stand firm in the middle of that road to



The masses blocked the M4 highway, preventing the patrol of Russian and Turkish armies to impose the Sochi agreement

the cry of: **Get out the invading troops!**

But instead of leaving they came all the way. Turkey beat us and repressed us with its security forces, they gassed and live-shot us. They even killed 4 of our brothers. But we still resist, alone, holding and supporting each other.

SNA generals and officers only spread propaganda for Turkey. Meanwhile, on the other hand, HTS pretends to be on our side but only seeks to join our fight, as it has always done, to end up negotiating its share at the Sochi Conferences.

It causes us anger and impotence that having so many weapons from the thousands of battles in which we defeated the dog Bashar and his mercenaries, today we have to resist in the worst conditions

stripped of what little we had with millions of our people piled up and dying of cold and hunger in the refugee camps, just because that weaponry was hunted along with the food by HTS and the NSA, and hidden Allah knows where.

It generates hatred, having had the possibility of controlling both our country's wealth and oil wells, such as, for example, in Raqqa and Deir Ezzor. On the contrary, today we are starving because US imperialism and its invading troops arrived to appropriate these riches in the eyes of the world reformist left that was observing from afar, but without remaining silent, shouted instead: *The Enemy is ISIS!* Thus, it legitimized the role of the US army in our soil. Today we can see how, even in its worst crisis, US imperialism very well orders its

dogs like Putin or the Iranian ayatollahs to do the dirty work here, massacring our people.

Taking advantage of that crisis, Germany has entered the scene and made its move, trying to win our hearts and our trust, bringing this general to trial. But THERE HAVE BEEN THOUSANDS OF BASHARIST ARMY OFFICERS KILLING US AND TORTURING US TO DEATH. We cannot allow ourselves, as Germany sponsors its judges, to be deceived and reconcile ourselves to judging one or two officers in order to save the entire lot of genocide actors. WE DEMAND JUDGMENT AND PUNISHMENT FOR ALL MURDERERS AND TORTURERS! THEY ARE ALL GUILTY UNTIL THEY DEMONSTRATE THEIR INNOCENCE: Bashar, Putin, Trump, the Ayatollahs and Hezbollah who massacred us here and now go on massacring in Iran and Lebanon ...

Therefore, **we know that true justice will come when those who judge and punish all the murderers of the Syrian people are courts made up of our representatives. Those who represent the massacred, the tortured and all the refugees.**

Furthermore, if, after 9 years, we must put our trust in something else that is not our own strength or that of the peoples who suffer like us, then it has to be serious. **Let the judge call an exemplary trial like the one in Nuremberg against the Nazis.**

For our part, we prefer to continue betting on our Iraqi siblings, who have been



Demonstration in Idlib in support of demonstrations in areas occupied by Al-Assad

fighting for years against the protectorate regime and the invading troops.

We are betting on our comrades in Lebanon, who are one step away from moving on to the next stage of their revolution in which they must, as we did, arm themselves to get bread and to survive such an attack by imperialism and the government over them.

We rely on the millions of brothers and sisters who have been crowded into refugee camps on the borders. In the same way that we always trust the forces of the Palestinian intifada against the Zionist invader.

We prefer not to give up on our dream of once again tearing down the borders that separate us from a promising future in Europe, uniting with our brothers and sisters from Europe to be able to hit imperialism with a single fist, as the Greek youth and our brothers and sisters of the Cités de

France have been doing.

One thing that was more than clear to us in these 9 years of revolution: we are only one link in a single chain of revolutions, one of the strongest, but, nonetheless, one more link that should serve as a pivot to extend this chain to the entire planet.

For the working class and the exploited of the world to live... Imperialism and its murderous and starving regimes and governments must die!

From Syria to Iraq to Lebanon to Palestine to Tunisia to Algeria to Sudan to Europe... a single working class, a single struggle, a single revolutionary chain.

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Demonstration in the Syrian city of Idlib for the fall of the regime and in support of the struggle of the workers and oppressed in the United States.

No to racism!

I can't breathe!

Children of the USA, we are with you! From Idlib to Minnesota, the same fight against the same enemy, the US imperialists that kill the oppressed blacks with their police, and massacre in Syria through their agents al-Assad and Putin.



Syria

June 28 2020

55 thousand prisoners of the revolution, today disappeared by al Assad

Their pictures are not just numbers

In Syria, the security services of Al Assad regime started to persecute the volcano that erupted against the Baathist entity in 2011 in many ways. The doors of their prisons were opened for those who were part of it and those jails were ready to torture in the most horrible way!

In every revolution there are honest people. In each movement there are persons that have their place in the pages of history. Caesar appeared with 55 thousand histories of pain, 55 thousand disgraces, 55 thousand wounded, 55 thousand killed, 55 thousand tears of a mother, 55 thousand pictures of detained that were killed under the claws of violence. Those 55 thousand are not just numbers. Each image means the comfort of a family that dreamt with the hope of meeting them again.

Maybe dying once would be easier than dying thousands of times a day, and if these people could talk they would tell us the meaning of dying a thousand times repeatedly.

The pictures gave us a lot back. With them, the meaning of the tragedy of the prisoner, of oppression and death without being able to do anything!



Syrian prisoners in al Assad jail

Many refused to look for their beloved ones in the pictures among the leaked pictures, fearing to find them and knowing they died under the hands of injustice behind bars. They have been waiting for a mirage for years, with the hope they would return.

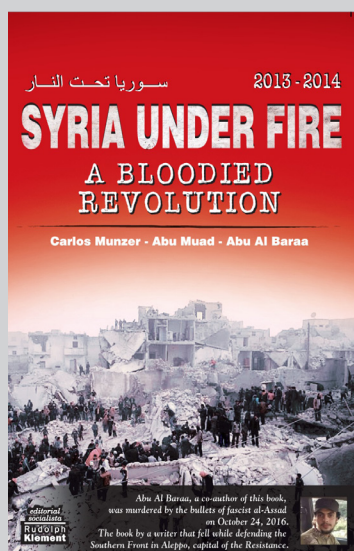
Could you imagine the huge amount of tears in the cheeks of the mothers, the wives, the women whose world torn apart after losing the household? Or those of the children who grew up without knowing the meaning of the word "father"? From being

a mountain, going back to Dacca.

Oh martyrs of the prison! We will never forget you! We won't forget your tears and your blood! We won't forget your pain and hopes! We won't forget the lament of your mothers, the crying of your children and the day where the criminal will suffer such a fate! That day is close.

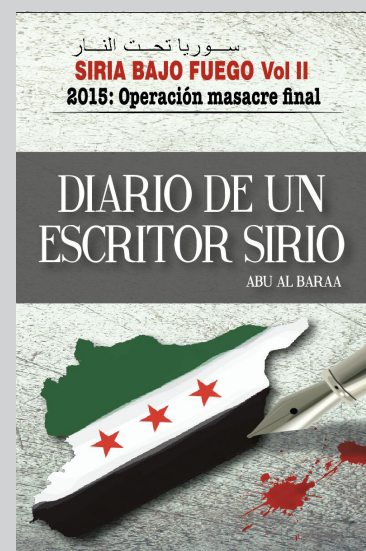
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Lebanon

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In the face of hunger, devaluation and the high cost of living,

The masses win the streets and clash against Hezbollah In order to eat it is imperative to bring down the regime!

The Lebanese masses uprising is still ongoing. **Pushed by the incessant increase in the cost of living, the exploited have returned to the streets since last April**, in successive marches, road blocks, clashes with the police and the army. They are looking for bread and the bare minimum income to be able to eat and maintain hygiene in the face of growing cases of coronavirus. But even that is denied, with high dollarized prices and a very strong devaluation, added to the growing unemployment, aggravated by the layoffs in times of quarantine due to coronavirus. The refugees, both Syrians and Palestinians, are who suffer the most from these conditions, as their wages are already less than half the average, they have higher unemployment and live in precarious, overcrowded homes in subhuman conditions, and often without drinking water.

For this reason, during the last weeks there were not only mobilizations in the main cities, but also all the routes in the country were blocked. The great call was for today, to march from all the cities to the Martyrs' Square in Beirut for the fall of the regime.

In the previous days, the government took advantage of a resurgence of COVID-19 cases to return to strict quarantine and ban mobilizations. It has militarized the streets, mobilizing the Army. Hezbollah paraded, guns in hand, threatening to shoot anyone who dares marching on Beirut. After all, **Hezbollah is part of the Lebanese government and one of the main pillars where the power of the exploiters is sustained.**

But the exploited did not retreat and reached the capital, since the case is about the bread of their families. Hezbollah tried to disperse them and the fighting began. The exploited defended themselves with stones and erecting barricades. The army then took advantage of the situation to pose as neutral and "separate the sides", which means using their force to evacuate the streets. But the fighting continues, as the workers and the people refuse to return home empty-handed and go on contemplating their hungry children.



Mass protests in Lebanon

The endless suffering of the masses in a Lebanon that has been broken and plundered by imperialism

Lebanon is a broken country due to imperialist looting. Its external debt represents 170% of GDP. Dollar reserves have been emptied as much as the Lebanese pound has been devalued, leaving today at 1400 pounds a dollar at the official price, and 4300 on the parallel market. It should be noted that it is almost impossible to get dollars at official price in exchange houses or banks and it includes great restrictions to withdraw savings from bank accounts. Thus, the true value of the Lebanese pound is that of the parallel market.

This leads to the average salary being 150 dollars a month, half that if we speak about refugees. And, as we said above, prices are dollarized, reaching \$ 2 for a bar of butter, \$ 1 for a liter (0.26 US gal.) of milk, almost \$ 1 for a kilo of bread, \$ 1 for a kilo of most fruits and vegetables, just to only mention some examples.

The infrastructure is destroyed. The government only guarantees 8-12 hours of electricity a day at \$ 30 a month. Any extra hour has to be provided by a private generator that runs on fuel, so its cost can only be covered by those who earn above average.

This means that most of Lebanon does not have electricity in more than half the day.

Lebanon is broke. Even the last penny was to pay the foreign debt, and however Lebanon is in default, which means that imperialism did not have enough and wants more. The IMF demands debt repayment at the cost of further entrenchments, but the masses do not allow it.

Last October the Government had launched a brutal attack on the masses, even putting a tax on WhatsApp calls. The masses rose up and ended throwing down Prime Minister Hariri. During the ebb of the upheavals in times of pandemic and quarantine, the government appointed another prime minister, Hassan Diab, who took office last February. He began to deepen the plan to attack the masses to pay the IMF, taking the suffering to unsustainable levels. Then the exploited responded.

Today, the government speaks of a "negotiation with the IMF" and promises that a new "aid package" will come to activate the economy and ease financial suffocation. But this no longer fools anyone. The exploited know that the IMF is only there to take the dollars, the banks are only there to steal their savings and wages, and the Central Bank, Hezbollah and the government are all corrupt, doing nothing but pocketing big fortunes while the people is

left into misery. What the government and the IMF are discussing is how to defeat the masses and make them pay even more for the external debt.

To have bread, Hezbollah and its millionaires' government must be defeated!

People cannot bear the situation any longer. The masses do not leave the streets. They have identified their enemy: **the banks** -which in recent weeks have been the target of the hatred of the exploited- **imperialism, the government and Hezbollah**, those billionaire clerics who live like kings and support the government with their guards to repress the people, as they support al-Assad massacring in Syria.

The government wants to re-impose quarantine so that the masses get off the streets. But with hunger there is no quarantine! **To conquer bread, the government and the entire regime must be overthrown, starting with its main support and armed guard of Hezbollah.** The disarmament of the latter's anti-worker brigades is the main slogan that resonates today in the streets of Beirut.

The people want the fall of the regime!

We must expropriate the banks to recover the wealth that has been stolen from the people! No to external debt repayment! Out with the IMF!

Decent work for all, with a salary equal to the family basket, starting with the refugees! Equal pay for equal work and full rights and papers for all refugees!

For **Price Control and Supply Committees** in each locality to fight against the high cost of living and ensure that every Lebanese working family has bread.

For **Self-defense Committees** to defend ourselves against the repression of Hezbollah and the Lebanese State!

From the barricades, mobilizations and road blocks are beginning to organize and coordinate. That is the embryo of power of those below. These bodies where the masses organize to take the resolution of their problems in their hands need to be extended, developed and coordinated at the local, regional and national level. The bourgeois power must be destroyed! **Let's open the path to the power of those below!**

Out with the government of Diab, Hezbollah and the Christian and Sunni bourgeoisie, all of them local operators of the IMF!

For a revolutionary provisional government of workers and peasants!

With a victory of revolution in Lebanon, we would do justice for the Syrian martyrs massacred by Hezbollah and its allies al-Assad, the Iranian Ayatollahs and Putin. The Lebanese uprising is a sibling of the Syrian resistance in Idlib, of the exploited in Iran, and of the enormous revolution in Iraq that does not leave the streets. It is the same fight as that of the Palestinian people, facing the guardians of the northern border of the Zionist state. **Let the oppressive regimes of the Middle East fall! For the destruction of the Zionist-fascist state of Israel!**

It is the same fist of the exploited hitting the exploiters, their governments and regimes of oppression, whose vanguard is today standing in revolt in the heart of the imperialist countries. Great rebellions shake the main cities of USA, as well as Paris in France. They are the greatest allies of the Lebanese exploited, as they hit the heart of the imperialist beast and the IMF, the heads of the Lebanese government!

From Lebanon to Iraq, Syria, Iran, Palestine, France and USA ... The same fight against the same enemy!

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Against hunger that deepens day by day

The masses block all the country roads and take the center of the main cities

Lebanese currency continues to devalue. The value of one dollar today exceeded 8,000 liras in the black market, which is the only one that works, since the official exchange market is not operating. The banks have been emptied of dollars for the payment of the external debt. Lebanon is indebted at 170% of its GDP.

The IMF requires more austerity plans to continue collecting this usurious debt. And the unity government of the Sunni, Maronite and Shiite bourgeoisie is implementing such a plan, with cuts that are leading to interrupt electricity service 8 hours a day in big cities like Beirut and Tripoli, and from 12 to 16 hours in the other Lebanese cities. The health budget was also reduced and several hospitals have already closed permanently. In turn, the tripling of the price of bread (from 1,000 lire to 3,000 lire) has been announced at the beginning of July, while

the dollarized prices of food and basic goods are increasingly causing Lebanese workers to lose purchasing power. Thus, the famine deepens day by day.

That is why the Lebanese masses do not leave the streets. At the moment, all Lebanese roads are closed. In these roadblocks they have managed to intercept several flour trucks that were going to Syria to supply al-Assad avoiding the sanctions of the so-called "Cesar Law". The flour was expropriated at once and distributed among the exploited.

In each protest, a large number of banks are burned down daily, because they are not giving people back their savings or paying their wages in dollars, but instead delivering Lebanese lira banknotes worth less and less. In their actions, the masses also burn the portraits of the president, accurately identifying the banks and the government as

their enemies, as they know that in the financial plaza of the Middle East, the rulers and bankers live like kings while the exploited live like beggars.

Tripoli Nour Square and downtown Beirut are the scenery for constant clashes with the repressive forces, the army and the police. A few days ago they even faced Hezbollah guards. The masses do not back down, they know that only through the fall of the regime, that is, the fall of the president, the prime minister and the entire cabinet, the parliament and their spokesperson, and all the parties that share the institutions and the ministries, plus the disarmament of all the repressive forces, including and first of all Hezbollah, and taking over the central bank is how they would be able to conquer bread.

Iraq

March 3 2020

The masses begin a new wave of demonstrations **A great revolution continues**

Despite the repression, fascist gangs trying to evict them and the deception of “new governments”, puppets of the US imperialists, the political crisis is deepening and imperialism seeks to recycle the CP to impose a new diversion

Huge mass marches are still taking place in almost every city in Iraq, including Nasiriya, Basra, Najaf, Babylon, Kirkuk and Baghdad. In the latter, the capital, the masses continue to occupy Tahrir Square, surrounding the “green zone” where government buildings and embassies are located. It has been five months of a great revolution where the masses have not left the streets.

The revolution was launched in October 2019, as part of a new revolutionary wave that shook the Middle East once again. In the face of the lack of basic services such as water and electricity, the extended unemployment and the already unsustainable misery, **the masses won the streets in a generalized way all over Iraq. All the exploited, unifying Shiites and Sunnis**, attacked the government of all bourgeois factions, the U.S. protectorate regime, and all the occupying forces, such as the Iranian paramilitary bands or the U.S. army.

The Iraqi revolution blew up the mechanisms of control, oppression and repression exercised by the Shiite and Sunni bourgeoisies over their own sector. These were independent actions by the masses that caused each bourgeois sector (whether Shiite or Sunni) to almost completely lose its influence and control over the masses they controlled.

During these months, the masses set fire to the Iranian consulate (demonstrating their discontent with the theocracy of that country that supported the paramilitary bands that were the guarantors of “order” in the protectorate Government), occupied oil wells, blocked oil transport by cutting off the access to cities and oil areas... But above all, with their actions **the masses overthrew the Government**. Prime Minister Abd el Mahdi fell at the end of November, leaving the entire leadership of the government in check and disintegrating **the U.S. protectorate regime**. That is, a power vacuum had been opened.

The Prime Minister who had just fallen and resigned continued to make statements as “acting minister”, appearing as little as possible, since the masses in their actions did not allow another government to be imposed on them to continue the previous one.



Demonstrations in Iraq

***The deception of the alleged confrontation
between the Iranian ayatollahs and the US
Both are counter-revolutionary forces
seeking to crush the revolution in Iraq***

Faced with this great revolution, Iran decided to invade directly. Its Islamic Guard and paramilitary brigades began last year to directly massacre the mobilizations of the masses, as they have been doing for years in Syria. The head of the Islamic Guard himself, Qasim Soleimani, was in Baghdad organizing the attack on the Iraqi revolution at the end of 2019, when he was killed by a high-precision attack by US drones. The US could not allow Iran to invade and rebuild the state on the basis of its armed forces, because it meant that a huge portion of the business within the protectorate would have been left behind. It was a blitzkrieg to discipline the ayatollahs, which it managed to do in less than 24 hours, as was already demonstrated by the alleged “response” of the Iranian missiles thrown into the void and with Iran’s submission to the US and UN designs for Iraq in the future.

At that time, the entire left claimed that there was a confrontation between the ayatollahs and the Yankees. Nothing could be further from the truth. **It was only imperialism disciplining its agent at a moment when both were seeking to crush the huge ongoing**

revolution. All the parties of the so-called New Left, with this position, lined up behind the ayatollahs and concealed the Iraqi revolution. These parties were left hanging on the coattails of one of the counter-revolutionary cudgels of imperialism in the Middle East, the Iranian theocracy. The latter believed that being gendarmes of US imperialism, they could ingratiate themselves with their master, but they were quickly put in their place. In this way the left once again placed itself in the opposite trench to that of the revolution, leaving aside even the very same Iranian masses who had just led a great uprising in November, repressed in blood and fire by the Iranian government and Qassem Suleimani himself, with hundreds and thousands of prisoners and even sentenced to death!



Iraqi masses return to the street

With the Soleimani bombing, the U.S. **also sought to drive a wedge between the Iraqi masses.** They wanted to put in check those who were mobilizing to choose between a new, ultra-patriotic Iraqi government without Iranian interference (a lackey of the U.S.) or a pro-Iranian government (which they wanted to portray as anti-imperialist after the attacks). But the masses were not fooled. They said, **“Everybody out!”** “We agree with the U.S. withdrawal, but the marches to the U.S. embassy do not represent us because they are for Iran and we are against Iran and even against our Iraqi government”. **They blew up not only the division they wanted to impose on them, but the very plan of the U.S. to impose a new government and abort the revolution.**

***The masses remain in the streets
Neither Moqtada al Sadr with his fascist
gangs nor the brutal repression has
been able to demobilize them***

That is why in late January Moqtada Al Sadr emerged, a Shiite cleric from the southern Iraqi bourgeoisie who always appeared as an “opposition” figure. With his movement and even his military guard he marched to Baghdad to take over Tahrir Square. Once there, he sent his fascist gangs to evict Tahrir Square by beating the people out of it. He managed to raze the tents, meeting points, places taken by the masses as centers of protest (like the “Turkish restaurant”) and cleared the streets.

Seeing this situation, the government rushed to appoint a “new” prime minister already decided by the UN. This is Mohammed Allawy, cousin of the Prime Minister put in place by the U.S. in 2004 after Saddam Hussein was defeated. Mohammed Allawy had been a minister twice in previous governments. Against this government, clearly a continuity of the same exploiters regime, **the masses took to the streets again in their hundreds of thousands all over the country and are not abandoning them until now.** Every day we see huge mobilizations of all sectors... women, students, workers and especially the unemployed... The situation of misery is no longer tolerable, while under the feet of the exploited flows a huge ocean of “black gold”!

This prime minister was never able to take over his government with a parliamentary vote. For a month, the sessions for this were postponed, since the masses with their struggle did not let him take over. Finally, on March 2, Mohammed Allawy was forced to resign. Imperialism cannot close the revolutionary crisis opened by the masses in its

protectorate. The revolution is still on its feet.

***The new plan of deception is underway
The revolution must triumph!***

Since the political representatives of the Shiite and Sunni bourgeoisie are totally discredited and not even their armed guards can stop the masses, imperialism is rehearsing another plan. The CP returns to try to play a fundamental role in that breach open by the revolutionary struggle of the masses.

Parties like the Iraqi CP and also the Iraqi Communist Workers Party (ICP) have turned to the process of struggle.

Both are fighting for peaceful marches to press for the establishment of a government of a bourgeoisie that appears “progressive” or “democratic”, that can “give democratic reforms and improve a little the living standards of the masses”... as if this were possible in a country that is under the aegis of imperialism and the UN that plunder the oil, the wealth of Iraq. Hunger, misery, lack of jobs and lack of basic services and resources is called the plunder of the seven sisters, imposed iron and fire by the U.S. invasions and massacres. **The struggle to conquer even the smallest of demands is a great anti-imperialist struggle of the masses and only by defeating imperialism can it succeed.**

Therefore, it is unthinkable that the proposal of the CPs could be realized as a real solution for the exploited. It is only an attempt to divert the great revolution of the Iraqi masses; since no bourgeois government can put all the wealth of Iraq for the Iraqi people... they are all partners and agents of imperialism in its plundering.

No wonder the CP is pushing it. It is part of the same international made up of 80 CPs of the world, which have learned from what they already imposed in Sudan, where in the face of the fall of the Omar al Bashir dictatorship and to stop the enormous revolution that had been put up there, they made a transitional government that was more democratic. In this way they aborted a huge revolution in a government that did not resolve any of the demands of the masses.

This is the plan of imperialism, and it is not by chance that it uses the CP, which has already served it at other times in the history of Iraq as a supporter of governments, such as the one it integrated in 2004 with the puppet that the US imperialism put in place after Saddam Hussein was toppled, while its invading troops massacred in Fallujah.

The only solution is to bring the revolution to victory. Only the work-

ing class leading all the oppressed sections of the nation can defeat imperialism and its servants. The struggles that are being carried out to expropriate the oil companies, those who have the black gold and command all the governments, politicians and their various forms of security guards such as murderous paramilitary bands, police, etc., must be intensified. **All the oil wells, refineries, etc., must be taken and the 7 sisters expelled!** To do this, it is necessary to set up and strengthen the self-defense committees to defend themselves from the brutal and bloody repression of their fascist guards.

**The people want the fall of the regime!
Remove all vestiges of government!
Remove all invading troops! Remove the UN!
Long live the Iraqi revolution!**

Only under a **workers and peasants government** can these tasks be carried out to guarantee the fulfillment of all demands, including the right to self-determination for the Kurdish people (whose bourgeoisie gave up in exchange for "autonomy," i.e., a share of the business), on



Protest against the government

the way to conquering the United Socialist States of the Maghreb and the Middle East. In a unified struggle with the American workers, who can strike at the imperialist metropolis from within, we will be in the best position to triumph not only in Iraq, but in the entire region.

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MARCH IN BAGHDAD'S TAHRIR SQUARE ON MAY 7...

"WE WANT THE FALL OF THE REGIME!"

The people want the fall of the regime is again the cry of the new revolutionary wave of the Maghreb and the Middle East.

That is the cry of the working class and the exploited in Iraq who do not leave the streets ...

This is the same cry of the workers in Lebanon, Algeria, Sudan ...

The same cry of the revolution that we started in 2011 from Tunisia to Libya to Egypt to Syria to Yemen ...

The cry in Baghdad is "The people want

the fall of the regime" and "Rejected, Rejected, Al Kadhimi is rejected", against the government of the people-starvers and assassins of the US protectorate in Iraq, demonstrating that they reject the appointment of new Prime Ministers ...

The working class and the exploited in Iraq do not leave the streets. Their revolution continues in Baghdad, Basra, Nasiriyah and throughout the country ...

As in 2011, again in 2020 from Idlib to

Baghdad, we are still standing with the cry of, we want the fall of the regime!

A single revolution in the Maghreb and the Middle East!

May the spark of the Maghreb and the Middle East burn Paris, Athens, London, Berlin, Moscow and all of Europe ...

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Iran

June 20: International Day in Support of Iranian Political Prisoners

On June 20, 2020, the international day in support of the thousands of political prisoners in Iran was held, organized by the Committee for the Freedom of Iranian Political Prisoners (CFPPI). Thousands of prisoners, workers, women's rights activists, workers' fighters, members of proscribed political parties, LGBT, among others, are brutally tortured and sentenced to long years in prison and death.

On this day, dozens and dozens of persecuted workers, former political prisoners and feminist fighters who have been and continue to be part of a heroic resistance against the fierce dictatorship of the Ayatollahs in Iran spoke.

We remember the mobilizations in the streets in November 2019 to the cry of *"clerics live like kings and the people like beggars!"* Every wave of mass struggle was met with death, imprisonment, and torture of all opponents.

From the International Network we

have participated actively in this event and from now on we will deepen our call to send statements of support and carry out actions in solidarity for the freedom of the political prisoners of Iran and all the political prisoners of the world.

Iranian prisoners are a symbol, like the political prisoners of Syria, Palestine, Lebanon, Egypt and Iraq, of the heroic uprisings of the Middle East masses against imperialist looting.

At this moment, when the workers and the American people rise up, the Black Vests of France and hundreds of thousands win the streets in London, Germany, Italy and the Spanish State, it is time to high up the fight to break the isolation of the struggle for freedom for Iran's political prisoners and for the Iranian workers and people in their heroic resistance.

The day consisted of an event that was broadcast on TV and on social networks where the complaints of political prisoners, relatives of victims of the repression, and

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messages of solidarity from Iran and several other countries such as Canada, Argentina, Bolivia, Sweden, Syria, England, Chile, among others, were expressed.

On the Facebook page of the CFPPI (@IranZendaniSiasi) you can see the complete program with all the participants. It was a totally gripping 5 hours to follow with certainty the fight of the oppressed of Iran.

During this program, exhibitions of paintings by persecuted artists and prisoners in Iran's prisons, as well as reproductions of songs that symbolize the fight against theocracy, such as "Bella Ciao" in Persian language and "We won't surrender" from France. They were part of the cultural and music section that entertained the event.

Message from Abu Muad of the paper The Truth of the Oppressed from the heart of the Syrian revolution

Hello Everybody, my name is Yussef Abu Muad. I'm speaking to you from the journal The Truth of the Oppressed, a newspaper written by Syrian people who are in the last line of the revolution.

Today I want to give my whole support for the Iranian prisoners. I know that on the 20th is the Day of the Iranian political prisoners. Here in Syria we have so many political prisoners in the jails of the regime. Many of them we don't know where they really are.

I think this is a great opportunity to give our solidarity from here to you, to the Iranian people, because we know that we have the same enemy. Bashar al-Assad, Putin and the Iranian regime were killing the Syrian revolution for almost 9 years. I think this is very important for you and for us.

Again, I give my full support for the Iranian political prisoners, for the Iranian

revolution, because we have to be united. We have to be together. One revolution in Syria, Iraq who is revolted, Lebanon who is on fire and Iran, and in the whole area we will strike together!



Crackdown in Iran

See a selection of different interventions in www.flti-ci.org.

June 20: International Day in Support of Iranian Political Prisoners

Presentation of the event, by the spokesperson of CFPPI, Shiva Mahbobi

Greetings to each and every one of you dear friends...

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the International Day to Support of Political Prisoners. This day is a day to commemorate those who lost their lives, to appreciate the survivors and to appraise the efforts of political prisoners, their families and activists in various fields in Iran and all around the world, those who are fighting for the release of political prisoners.

This year, as we are celebrating this day, a large number of political prisoners are still in jail. Activists are threatened by the regime regularly, and heavy bails are a tool from the regime to extort money from the people and to put pressure on activists and their families.

We honor this day in such a situation that the participants in the protests of December 2017, November 2019, the protests of the workers of Haft Tappeh, the protests of May Day and other protests, are either in

prisons or with heavy bails.

We are holding this day when the Coronavirus has caused catastrophe in prisons. A number of prisoners have been infected with the virus and some have unfortunately lost their lives.

We are holding this day while a large number of victims' relatives, including the families of those who were in flight 752 who lost their lives, are seeking justice.

We are honoring this day while the exact number of people who were killed in November 2019 or injured or arrested in that protest is still unknown.

But in spite of all these pressures and repressions, the struggle continues, and we must remember this. The struggle against the regime has not only not been pushed back, but has gone further. The massacre and imprisonment in June 20, 1981, or June 2008, and all the subsequent protests and the regime's repressions, not

only couldn't push us back, but also made us stronger. We were able to create a global solidarity for the release of political prisoners and the defense of the Iranian people's struggle.

In this program, you will see parts of this correlation. People have contacted us from Latin America and Syria and other countries and asked me to pass their message today to you in solidarity with the freedom of the political prisoners in Iran. These friends told us to tell the families of the political prisoners and the political prisoners themselves that they are with them. That the people of Chile, Bolivia, Peru, Syria and Argentina are in solidarity with political prisoners of Iran and they won't sit down until the release of political prisoners.

These collection of messages that we are presenting to you today are just a drop of an ocean of support to you, the families of political prisoners and to you, our beloved political prisoners...

One of the messages to the event by Raheleh, relative of a political prisoner executed, denouncing the massacres of the Iranian theocracy

...40 years passed since the massacres of 1980 and 1988. Our loved ones were killed without trial, without justice and buried in mass graves in Khavaran Cemetery.

We, the victims' families, as long as we live, will seek justice for our loved ones. We will never stop calling justice. We won't forgive nor forget those who committed that crime.

The killings continue, as in 1998, 2008, 2017 and 2019, many families mourned the loss of their children. Life had become very difficult for them.

It has been 40 years since this regime was established. We see extrajudicial arrests every day. Teachers, workers of social activists are arrested, imprisoned and given heavy sentences. They face huge bails that most families can't afford. Their loved ones are in prison. They really don't know what to do.

Now that there is the big risk of Corona-



virus, the lives of these prisoners are even in more danger.

(...) We demand to release all prisoners! What are their crimes after all? They are simply seeking freedom.

Right now in our country we are under so much pressure because of so many reasons, because of poverty, inflation, unemployment. If anyone protests against these problems, they will be suppressed. The answer to their protest is prison!...

The prisoners are in really bad conditions since those prisons are not like nor-

mal ones. Iran's prisons are like medieval prisons...

Prisoners should be released. I hope all prisoners are released soon and that we would be living in a country that is safe and secure. All we want is freedom, prosperity, a country with no unemployment, inflation or prostitution.

Why are they in prison? Just for telling the truth!...

I won't beg. I hide my pain and continue to be more determined than ever. It is my strength to make my problems as my motivation. I shall walk faster than ever. Thanks to my pain, I am getting stronger every day. Neither I would leave or get disappointed. I will stand up and continue and I will succeed!

France

May 9 2020

As the Black Vests proudly say:

“FEAR HAS CHANGED SIDES”

In Paris and around the world: We are all Black Vests!

We fight for bread, justice and papers for each and every migrant worker in the world

From Saint-Denis, La Chapelle, Aubervilliers, from the depths of the French labor movement, a cry of rage has come from the undocumented migrants: “We are no longer afraid of the police and death, what we are afraid of is humiliation”. That is why those who have been working in France for a short or a long time or without papers, without rights, without the possibility of having a decent life, have organized. They, who come from Afghanistan, the Middle East, throughout the African continent and have traveled kilometers, leaving their family behind, to get a job that allows them to feed their children.

Their fight is not only for legal documents, but “...against the system that manufactures undocumented people. We fight for a life with dignity”.

The fight of these Yellow Vests, which have turned black with rage, as they say, is the same as that of all the migrants in the world who fight day by day to survive. Many are locked up in refugee camps like in Moria in Greece, many others in camps like in Lebanon, in Syria, hundreds of thousands more trying to cross Mexico to reach the US, or in boats trying to cross the Mediterranean Sea.

Their fight must be taken into their hands by the world working class, which are winning the streets in Iran, Iraq, fighting against General Motors in Matamoros



calling for a general strike, rising from the camps to demand decent living conditions, or chewing their anger because the exploiters want to make them work without any security measure. It is the same fight for freedom of the political prisoners in Chile or the Basque prisoners, that organize an international fight for their freedom, or in the Spanish State where migrants have managed to get several CIEs (Internment Center for foreigners) to be closed.

Any migrant worker will feel identified with their call, since they know that as a result of the colonization and looting by the imperialist countries, they have had to leave their country devastated by hunger or war. The Black Vests in response to this say: “We denounce colonialism every time, wars and economic looting carried out by France and other regional or world invading powers.”

Their program is a call to unify the fight of all the migrants in the world and

that is why, from the International Workers' Organizer, we will take it to the last corner of the five continents, to make it known to every migrant, and all the workers' organizations, so that they can make it their own and organize a world struggle together with the Black Vests..

“All those who fight against the state, exploitation and racism make up our side”

When uniting our combat from the most exploited sectors of the world, hitting like a single and firm fist, the exploiters will tremble and we will shout all together:

Fear has changed sides!

We are all Black Vests!

The same class, the same fight across borders, races, languages and cultures!

For internationalist unity and solidarity among the oppressed!



IMMIGRANTS' SELF DEFENSE, THE GILETS NOIRS FIGHT BACK!

1. **The Gilets Noirs will rise up alongside any immigrant who is in distress.**

The French national motto for us is: humiliation, exploitation, deportation

2. **We organize night and day, in immigrant workers' hostels and in the streets against State racism and its accomplices.**

We come from all backgrounds; we debate in several languages. Despite what the State wants us to be, we are living an intense and independent political life. We're done hiding.

3. **We're here to defend our homes against police raids.**

We're here alongside the rejected immigrants of Porte de la Chapelle or Porte d'Aubervilliers, where they've suffered under the sticks and mace of the police.

4. **We are ready to rise up and be a thousand-strong whenever a boss is shown to be exploiting an immigrant!**

5. **We are mobilized at airports whenever the French State decides to deport an immigrant to his or her country,** whether it's Afghanistan, Sudan, Senegal or any other.

6. **We use every opportunity to speak out against colonialism, wars and economic looting** led by France and other regional or global imperialist powers.

7. **Whether we are first, second or third generation, we will destroy detention centres.**

8. **Fear has changed sides.**

By leaving our families, making it through the desert, crossing the sea, attacking the préfecture, attacking the Défense business district, attacking the airport, attacking the Pantheon. The Gilets Noirs are here.

GILETS NOIRS

Fear has changed sides. The Gilets Noirs are here!



9. **In France, an immigrant's work is more often than not done via the black market.**

We are the Yellow Vests blackened by anger.

GILETS NOIRS - WHAT DO WE WANT? DOCUMENTATION!

We want documents for all, whether we've been in France for a day or for 10 years, with or without work, and for all of those who will come after us. We will not be split up into "asylum seekers", "refugees" or "undocumented workers." **We are all immigrants.**

We will no longer fear the police, nor death; we are only afraid of being humiliated. We are proud of who we are, we are proud of our skin; we take our pride and we run with it. Day and night. We were born with our pride and we will die with it.

We are not just fighting to obtain documents, but against the system that keeps us undocumented. We are fighting for a life with dignity.

All those fighting against the State, exploitation and racism are on our side.

We are living a historic moment, in which oppressed peoples are rising up by the millions around the globe.

We support any grassroots attempt to organize against racism and exploitation, in France and elsewhere.

We are part of all those struggles.

NEITHER STREET NOR PRISON, DOCUMENTATION AND FREEDOM!

June 12 2020

Exploited and oppressed blacks and immigrants take to the streets of France again

against the violence of the racist and murderous
police of the 5th Republic and the USA

Convened again by the Truth and Justice Committee for Adama, as a continuation of the June 2 march, tens of thousands demonstrated once again throughout France to the cry of "Justice for Adama Traoré, Justice for George Floyd!" The same feeling of hatred for the oppression of this system that in the imperialist powers kills immigrant and black workers with its forces of repression runs across both sides of the Atlantic.

Along with the exploited who continue to revolt in the US, they are at the forefront of the fight. **A single class, the same fight, a single international fight!!!!**

Black lives matter!

Fear has changed sides!



Demonstration on June 12 in Paris

From Syria to USA

June 2 2020

Appeal from the heart of the resistance in
Idlib, under the rubble of the cities devastated by the fascist al-Assad

**Both in the US and Syria we are hit by the same enemy,
We have to respond with the same fight**

**For an International Day of Rage!
Let's win the streets to the cry of "No justice, No peace"!**

From the slaves of martyred Syria to the slaves of the metropolises that are revolted in the heart of the US and French imperialist beast:

This stinking capitalist system won't let us breathe! We are murdered here and in the US like our brother George Floyd. You and we are thousands of outcasts looking for a place to give our families a piece of bread and even that is denied us.

In 2011, when we began our revolts against one of the most authoritarian regimes on the planet, many rich people in jackets and ties were shouting at us that what we needed was "electoral democracy." And they were obfuscated or attacked us when we set up the coordination committees with direct democracy.

Today, in the face of the murder of George Floyd, it has been clearly demonstrated that the "most democratic country in the world" does not respect even the skin color of its oppressed, whom it murders not only with its police. The highest proportion of deaths from COVID-19, are blacks and immigrants, because they were put to do the jobs most exposed to contagion, without personal protective equipment.

Today, you have rebelled, together with the whole of workers in the US, who can no longer endure the millions of layoffs, the lack of health insurance and housing. More than ever, we join with all our forces in that fight you are carrying out against American regime that loots and makes people starve.

You are suffocated by the police with their knees like the forces of the mur-

derous state. Here they smother us with sarin and mustard gases with their agent Bashar, under the cloak of the Sochi peace accords between Erdogan and Putin, blessed by Trump. There you are evicted from your homes for not paying the mortgage or the rent. Here they are bombing us out leaving our homes dusty and rubble, therefore without justice against al-Assad there is no Peace.

You have been ripped from your homeland in Africa and taken as slaves to the fiercest imperialist state. Our luck here in Syria is similar in that bombings have destroyed our homes and they use us as slave labor in Turkey and in different parts of Europe.

We are united with you a thousand times more than what we can have in common with the bourgeois generals of the military factions in the liberated territories, who have only dedicated themselves to doing business at the cost of our blood and our hunger and have given in our rebel cities one by one.

We see the brightness of the flame of our revolution in the revolts that are taking place throughout various states of the United States. Their success will be key for us to being able to fulfill our demands for a decent life. The same American State with its weapons and soldiers have occupied our territory, plundered our oil and annihilated hundreds of thousands of brothers and sisters. There we will avenge all our martyrs, George Floyd as well as the 600 thousand slaughtered by al-Assad on behalf of Wall Street!

So today more than ever we must be a single fist hitting in unison, because if you are hanged there, we will soon stop

breathing.

We call our Syrian, Iraqi, Iranian, Lebanese, Palestinian, Yemeni brothers and sisters, our sibling refugees in Europe, our brothers the Black Vests, the African-American workers and the entire American working class, and every worker who wants to defeat this system, to fight together. Let's make a Day of Rage against the oppression exercised by those who have the most against those who have nothing.

We have plenty of reasons to be furious. Let's take a breath and scream together: *"We can't breathe anymore in this filthy system! Fear changed sides! If there is no justice, there will never be peace!!"*

Without homes, there will be no peace!

Without freedom for prisoners to fight, there will be no peace!

Without living wages, there will be no peace!

Without health or medicine, there will be no peace!

As long as there are invaders in our lands, as long as they continue to create thousands of refugees, as long as they continue to plunder the riches of the planet for the benefit of the powerful, they will never, never have peace!

The peoples want the fall of their regimes ... in the Middle East, in the US and in France!

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TRENCHES OF THE SYRIAN REVOLUTION**

USA

July 9 2020

New sectors of the exploited join the struggle

Masses don't leave the streets

George Floyd's murder in May was the spark that set the United States on fire. From there, the response on the part of the exploited through revolutionary days has not stopped developing. The attack on capitalist property, clashes with the police and the burning of police stations were accompanied by great mass actions in most cities in that country.

The unprecedented conditions and sufferings of workers and their most exploited sectors, such as the black movement, immigrants and a radicalized rebel youth, pushed millions into combat. It is because the working class and the poor people have lost everything: work, housing, health and life.

The bankrupt pirates of Wall Street did not hesitate to throw their entire crisis on the exploited. The Covid-19 pandemic did nothing else that exposing a true massacre by capitalists causing the mass death of black and immigrant workers and massive contagions in factories.

The old mediations that contained the mass struggles and allowed for the worst attacks on them by the infamous US imperialists' pirate regime, have failed to deflect or stop this revolutionary tide that has begun.

Previously, the Democratic Party, which believed to have controlled the situation of the exploited due to the death from the coronavirus and the economic crash -which led 43 million workers to lose their jobs-, postulated to channel the discontent of the masses in the elections next November. Thus, last March, the return to the Democratic Party of the "socialist" Sanders -a real fraud against socialism- accelerated, so that he could give his open support to Biden. Of course, the entire reformist left hanging from his coattails accompanied him.

But when nobody was expecting it, and the ruling classes felt safe waging the stick of the crack, crisis and death



Protests in Washington DC

in their hand, and were preparing a new electoral trap, US exploited entered the combat. True independent mass actions were unfolding after a fascist policeman's knee choked the throat of a black worker on May 25.

The revolutionary days deepened throughout the month of June. More and more sectors entered the battle. The mass political struggle, which already concentrates all the immediate demands of the exploited, hit the imperialist regime and its state.

"Autonomous zones" like in Seattle and the "Black House" in Washington were set up, taken by the struggling masses and their action committees, which gave new content to all the pre-existing organizations like the movement Black Lives Matter, the Antifa movement or the movements against white supremacists.

The masses took in their hands the struggle and the resolution of their problems. They clearly defined the enemy and in dozens of cities they set up "Commune-type" self-organizing organizations that group all the sectors that are fighting.

The clash with the police and the burning of police stations attack the heart of the bourgeois state and leave

the way open and the latent motion for arming the proletariat and disarming the bourgeoisie. **The demand for the disarmament of the oppressors and the armament of the oppressed.**

Trump threatened to send the army while he was hidden 14 meters underground in the White House bunker. The great imperialist bourgeoisie trembled at this idea. They know what happened with the revolutionary uprising of the workers and the American people when they sent their murderous troops to massacre in Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq... The threat of Trump, for now, was pushed aside into the background, it was kept latent and again the bourgeoisie tries to contain the masses by means of an electoral pacifist wave. But they are not succeeding either.

Those at the top can no longer rule as they used to and those from below do not leave them alone and with political actions in the streets the masses are carrying out a bold offensive against the executioners of the people. This could be clearly seen in the massive mobilizations that took place in different cities on June 19, the day that marks the end of slavery in the United States. The exploited gained the streets and demolished various statues of the former slavers. Also on

July 4, the day of US independence, important demonstrations were held. In some of them, US flag was burned against the government and the butchers of the US imperialist bourgeoisie. And in addition there were massive mobilizations in several places in the country in support of the Palestinian masses against the Zionist state of Israel and its annexation of further territory in the West Bank.

These mass revolutionary days then opened a political crisis in the heights, since they hit from the left at all the institutions that support this murderous and infamous regime of the US imperialist pirates and Wall Street; including the facilities of its lackeys of the AFL-CIO bureaucracy and its docile unions (all of them to the service of Morgan-Chase and Citibank) that do not represent even 0.001% of the American workers.

Likewise, the new round of world crack has disorganized the world division of labor and has weakened the political, economic and military control of US imperialism on the planet. The United States must quickly come out to regain control with new offensive counterrevolutionary actions, just as the masses have lashed out at its regime and state.

Under these conditions, new and broad sectors of the working class and the exploited having something to demand and conquer are entering the struggle. The objective of the combat is none other than hitting and defeating the regime and the government to get their demands. Disarming the murderous police is the first step in moving forward on the path of conquering justice, without which, as the streets of America shout, there will be no peace. It is also the way to get bread and get

back work, housing, etc. Thus, the mass political struggle concentrates and subsumes the entire economic struggle.

The trend towards city-by-city self-organization had one of its greatest milestones, not only in the "Black House" in Washington, but also, as we already said, in the takeover of the Seattle central police station, transformed by the protesters into an "Autonomous zone". Popular assemblies, black people organizing committees, student organizations are what the exploited set up to carry out these struggles. They know each other and recognize each other on the streets and self-organize in city assemblies and get coordinated within the states.

Before this, the Mayor of Minneapolis, where George Floyd had been assassinated, dared to enter an assembly in that city. The protesters and their representatives rebuked him by shouting: "Are you for the dissolution of the police, yes or no?" He replied: "I am for its reform." And then they kicked him out. This is the feeling that runs throughout the United States, it is the program of the masses to confront the bourgeois state and its police and the combat engine of all the exploited.

Along with this, on June 19, 29 ports on the West Coast went on strike and around 60,000 dockers took the streets. The Oakland Dockers Union, the ILWU, Local 10, which in 2008-2010 had set up moving the "Million March Against War" in Iraq, was part of that great demonstration of dock workers, the advance of the working class.

Meanwhile, capitalists and transnational companies, in the midst of the pandemic, kept forcing their workers to go on working in thousands of factories, just as had happened in northern

Italy. Workers must risk their lives and die like flies just to satisfy the profits of the capitalists... Tens of thousands of workers of the automakers in Detroit, like those of Chrysler and Fiat, today are in revolt not to go to produce in these conditions, where what is at stake is their lives.

The mass offensive is already here. An uprising of the exploited is under development and deepening in the United States. Large sections of the ruined middle classes openly support or sympathize with this movement.

In the hands of the bourgeoisie, the only thing the working class has ahead is crisis and catastrophe. This pushes them into combat and is deepening their radicalization. The factory and company committees that emerge in Amazon, Chrysler, Fiat or General Motors, based on worker assemblies, are imposing their mark upon this rise of the powerful American proletariat.

Thus the iron fist of the world proletariat and oppressed peoples is tightened and strengthened through the US working class that today is striking hard against the Wall Street pirates and their infamous regime.

Crisis of the mediations and the old leaderships that contain and betray the struggle of the workers and the black people

All the control institutions and mechanisms of the bourgeois state are in crisis. This increases radicalization and mass offensive. Trade unions and reformist organizations that act as a true conservative force on the backs of workers in Europe and in other capitalist countries, here in the US are weakened to the extreme. As we have already seen, the AFL-CIO does not represent anyone among the American working class. The Democratic Party itself and its "left wings", its NGOs and its Labor Councils are trying by all means to re-take their control of the movement of the black people and the working class... But they already mean the past.

We insist, the masses have entered into combat and have launched new organizations of struggle, such as assemblies, fronts of struggle, action committees coordinated by city and embryos of self-defense committees. Or, they have given it new content and have turned them into massive movements as with Black Lives Matter, as we have already said.



Demonstration in California in support of Palestine

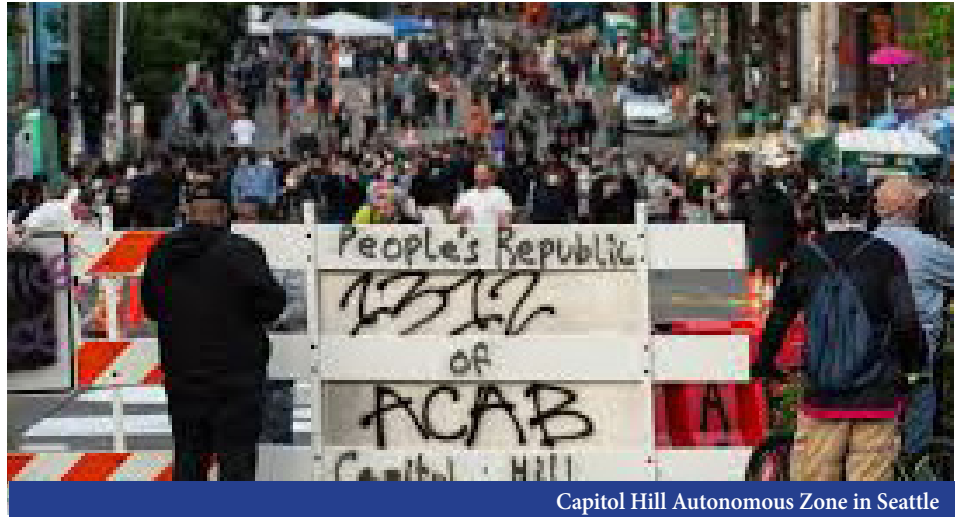
That is why this time those in power must improvise organizations to contain the revolting masses. And it is not said that they will succeed. The conditions for a revolutionary regrouping of the working ranks are already here and they will define the course of events in the next period.

The Communist Party and the Castroist and Bolivarian left, which used to have an enormous weight in the black movement in Harlem and in the Bay of San Francisco, can no longer control this tide of revolutionary actions, much less impose their policy of collaboration with the Democratic Party, beyond trying to revive their old black leaders from the '70s like Angela Davis. Nor can they enthrone the black people with Chavismo, Maduro and the bankrupt Bolivarians, who have long ago sold out the Latin American revolution. Castroism has just sold out Cuba to imperialism. In the past, they hugged Obama, agreed with him and praised him as the "savior of the American people", when he was one of the governments that most conquests tore out from the workers and black people in the US after the crash of 2008.

Accompanying as a shadow to the body the crisis of Stalinism among the black people and in the American labor movement, the old SWP (Socialist Workers Party), who had long ago passed to the side of Castroism in Havana, has been totally paralyzed and in crisis. Its calls to discipline by clubbing the "disobedient" who burn the police stations and clash against the police have been only an empty, hollow and impotent call launched by a totally decomposed party that decades ago broke all continuity with the combat of the Trotskyists in the USA in the 1930s.

The social-imperialist left, like the ISO, the partners of the "socialists" of the Queen of England, and the entire "New Left" kept stuck into the coattails of Sanders that brought them to the feet of Biden, the baron of largest gas stations companies in the world. Thus, the Pedro Fuentes of the PSOL of Brazil, the Bodart of the MST of Argentina, the Bobby Saenz of the New MAS and all the Anticapitalists, have finished hanging from the skirts of Nancy Pelosi in the American Congress.

None of them came out calling to burn a police station, to fight to dissolve the police, or to send Trump to hide in a bunker underground. They are the continuity of Yalta Stalinism and the second post-war period. The ISO even dissolved into Sanders' "democratic



Capitol Hill Autonomous Zone in Seattle

socialist" movement, as all these currents did, either de facto or de jure.

All these currents, together with Stalinism, have been promoting for decades a front with the imperialist gangs that they call the "democratic" ones. Yesterday the PTS of Argentina went so far as to say, with total blatancy, that the US is "expanding democracy" in the semicolonial world it oppresses. Were they just finished affirming this and the US invaded Afghanistan and Iraq.

Years ago, the policy of the former Trotskyists, now openly allied with the Stalinists, in the US was none other than "everybody against Bush". Now their call comes down to fighting "all of us against Trump". In Europe, they seek to "democratize" Maastricht. They call for a fight for "real democracy", while the masses in the US fight Trump and all Democratic governors and mayors who apply the same policy of hunger, misery and death as the Republican Party.

All of them are a neo-Stalinist left that picks up on the worst traditions of the counter-revolutionary forces of Stalinism that strangled hundreds of revolutions in the second post-war period to sustain "democratic" imperialism, which was given a truce and "peaceful coexistence" on an international level and thus saved its domination of the planet.

In the 1930s, Trotsky claimed that Rooseveltism was the expression in the US of the popular-front policy with which Stalin sustained the class-collaborationist government in France and also the Republican Front that had strangled the Spanish revolution. This notorious class-collaborationist policy is embodied today by Sanders and the reformist left in the US, led by the Communist Party and renegades of Trotskyism. This policy is meant to

disorganize, divert and submit to the bourgeoisie any revolutionary mass action. But this time they have not succeeded in imposing their stamp, since it was those at the bottom who entered the fight in spite of them. In their ascent, the exploited destroyed the policy and strategy of reformism and the "New Left" before the latter could finally accommodate to the leadership of Sanders, Varoufakis, Chomsky and other social-imperialist filth that brought them to the feet of Biden and Pelosi. We are talking about real political impostors who cover the left pocket of the 1% of parasites who are leading civilization to barbarism.

The revolutionary days have thus opened up a pre-revolutionary situation in the US that leaves in crisis the regime of domination, its mechanisms of deception and all the leaderships that have covered and protected it.

The US and the world economy crash, the capitalists with their thirst for profit sending the workers to die of Covid-19 to the prison-factories, the endemic unemployment, centuries and decades of oppression of Black people, today are turning against the bourgeoisie. The American masses, one of the most powerful detachments of the world working class, are already stood up.

The American workers struck before the bourgeoisie could throw its entire crisis at them.

As we have already said, the regime's policy is no other than, for the time being, to try strengthening the electoral trap again and reopening a wave of pacifism and illusion among the masses that by voting for the Democratic Party they can defeat Trump, a

question they cannot yet impose.

Trump has taken a "right turn" to polarize and recreate a two-party system with the Democratic Party, but all he does is weaken himself without succeeding in reviving the Democrats, whose governors and mayors turned out to be murderous police chiefs, as much as the executioners of Black people and working people as the ones in the Republican Party.

Trump's rickety act, and the fact that the Democratic Party cannot control or fool the masses for now, is clear proof that the pre-revolutionary situation is open while the exploited continue taking the streets with enormous energy in their fighting.

It is time to deepen the strategic offensive of the American working class that has begun

The masses are on the offensive. Transforming it into a strategic offensive means lead the struggle to overthrow the government and regime and directly attack the businesses, the frauds and the policies of the transnationals and imperialist bankers.

It is a matter of coordinating and centralizing by city, state and national level all the organizations that the masses have begun to set up in their struggle.

The decisive task of the moment is to advance in dissolving the police and forming a powerful militia of Black people and the working class.

Rejecting and expelling the bourgeoisie and the Democratic Party from the mass organizations, as was done in Minneapolis, is the road that the exploited must take in order not to fall into any of the traps of the bourgeois regime.

We insist, all the mechanisms of deception of the bourgeoisie have been left in crisis. This time, Black people are not alone. The old miserable AFL-CIO bureaucracy that subdued Black workers and sold them out, like the immigrants, as cannon fodder for capitalist exploitation is bankrupt. "Black lives matter" is already the demand of the whole working class that have surrounded the martyred Black people in the US with their struggle and from there have entered the fight for their demands.

"Black lives matter" also concentrates the demand to recover housing and lost conquests, to obtain dignified health for all, to stop dying in the prison-factories, to conquer 15 dollars an hour minimum-wages and to end with the detention and expulsion of those without papers who do the worst jobs together with black workers in the US.

Black people, as the most punished section of the working class and the people of the US, have become the vanguard of the struggle. Around their demand, the ranks of all the exploited are regrouping. This is the opposite of what that white AFL-CIO bureaucracy did. Their only demand during the 1990s and the first decades of the 21st century was to affiliate the non-unionized to unions that did not take into account the interests of the working class, while mass layoffs took place that these lackeys of the bourgeoisie let pass, sealing a deal with the capitalists.

Because of its long history of capitulations and betrayals, the American reformist left in all its variants, yesterday an appendix of the traitors of the AFL-CIO and today of Sanders, has remained historically at odds with the masses. Today they do not know how to relocate in the face of this rise that has begun.

They have all lost their authority in the face of the exploited and they are unable to contain them, while from their brainy analyses they criticize the "spontaneity" of the mass struggle, when it has gone as far as they never-ever dreamed it could go.

The bourgeoisie is obliged to stop this movement and this mass offensive. It will undoubtedly create new mediations to divide the unity that the exploited have gained in the struggle around Black people.

To maintain this iron unity, the first task of the US working class is to put all its strength into ending the double slavery, marginalization and repressive attacks that Black people have suffered for centuries in the US and internationally. The demands of Black people are those of the entire US working class entering the struggle. Without their victory, immigrants will not triumph, conquests will not be recovered, and health will not be achieved for all.

It is in the "Commune-type" organizations, with the self-organized masses voting for their leaders and resolutions in the assemblies, that this unity can be maintained. Strikes, stoppages

and struggles for workers' demands and against death from coronavirus have also put Black workers in the vanguard of the struggle in the factories.

None of the demands have yet been met. The way forward is to finish dissolving, defeating and disarming the police, the national guard, the fascists and all the gangs armed by capital. This will create the best conditions, as it is doing, to launch a counteroffensive in the whole American labor movement to recover all the lost conquests and stop dying for Covid-19 in the factories, as the uprising workers in Amazon, in Detroit and in hundreds factories are demanding.

The police must be disarmed!

The Black people and the workers' militia must stand firm.

The transnationals must be attacked in order to live... Recover from the bankers the homes they stole from the people.

We must all go to work by reducing the working day with fair wages.

We must take over the private clinics in all the cities and towns and transform them into a public good.

Wall Street must be surrounded and besieged. We must conquer a single state bank, under the control of the workers, expropriating without compensation the financial oligarchy, and that single state bank, as its first measure will return all the houses that were confiscated from the American people. **It also will immediately annul all the policies of plundering and larceny of the imperialist pirates in the colonial and semicolonial world and support with strong hands the break of the oppressed peoples with the IMF and other international usurers.**

A national body of struggle must be set up to coordinate the organizations that are emerging in all the cities, the trade unions and establishments that are fighting for their demands with factory assemblies and committees, the anti-fascist movements, etc.

A great National Guard of Black people, workers, and rebel youth must be raised.

The bourgeoisie will try to set up new traps and manoeuvres. It will seek to divide the Black movement through the deception and fraud of the Democratic Party and NGOs in order to co-opt and manipulate it again.

The hatred of Black people is pushing the masses into an open clash with the police and repressive forces. The organization of Black people and workers' militia is an immediate task, as is its coordination by state and nationwide. It is in the mass bodies for struggle that the self-defense committees and the arming of the masses must be centralized.

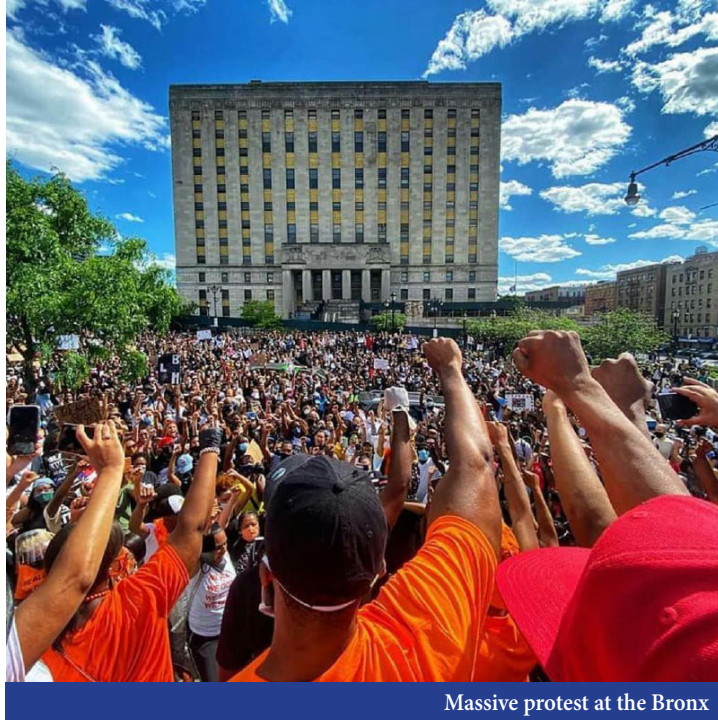
In sections of the Black movement in the US, a sense of Black people's self-determination is beginning to emerge, the product of decades of humiliation, oppression and repression. If this or sectors of it claim territory in the US to live in peace and freedom and if they demand the right to the self-determination, this right must be defended by all workers and the masses in struggle. Centuries of enduring slavery, injustice, massacres, racism and oppression give workers and Black people that right to choose.

This bold revolutionary program is the only one that can guarantee the unity of Black people with the whole of the American working class, especially with immigrants, whose most immediate demands are "equal pay for equal work" and "documents for all".

It is time to prepare a great struggle. Let's open the road to defeat that finance super-oligarchy located in the 8 blocks of Wall Street.

Stop the war machine of US imperialism that massacres and controls the colonial and semi-colonial world it plunders with its military bases must be stopped. The release of the Guantanamo prisoners, the immediate withdrawal of US troops from Afghanistan, Iraq and the destruction of all its military bases on the planet is the guarantee for the US proletariat to win the support of all the world workers and oppressed peoples. The struggle for the destruction of the Zionist state of Israel and the expulsion of the US imperialist troops and other invading troops that massacred in Syria together with the fascist Al Assad, are part of the immediate tasks of the American workers.

These are decisive and urgent



Massive protest at the Bronx

tasks since sooner or later these murderous troops will attack the masses fighting today in all the cities of USA daring call to set up the veterans' anti-war movement and together with them, the committees of rank and file soldiers who break with their officer cannot be postponed any longer.

Organizing the power of those from below at the national level around the "Black House" in Washington would put at the order of the day the defeat on the streets of the Trump government and the infamous regime of Democrats and Republicans, those representatives of Wall Street and the transnationals. This is about preparing and organizing a strategic revolutionary offensive by the US working class.

Only a government of the workers and poor people, supported by the organizations of the armed revolutionary masses, will be able to bring out of their prostration the millions of exploited people suffocated by the imperialist beast.

As we have already said, a firm call launched by the workers and Black people of the US on the workers and oppressed of the world would rebel workers in the tormented Africa in a common struggle and their fight would reach—at the hand of black workers—the heart of the Imperialist Europe of Maastricht. This would be a true electric shock. Millions of workers and pariahs on the planet today see the struggle on the streets of the United States

as their own.

An appeal by the US workers' fighting organizations to the Chinese workers would be a deadly blow to the imperialist Wall Street gangs and the fascist regime of the counter-revolutionary Chinese mandarins.

Such an appeal would achieve the unity of both working classes suffering the same torment, attacks and outrages.

The world working class must now stop the imperialist offensive and the tragedy for civilization posed by the survival of the rotten world capitalist system.

It is high time. Let the crisis be paid for by those on top.

Let's expropriate the 1% imperialist parasites!

Let the socialist revolution return without the sellout traitors, or the Stalinist scoundrel who sold out Russia, China, Vietnam and Cuba to the US and imperialism!

Under the banners of the Fourth International!

The irruption of the American proletariat as the vanguard of the world working class puts on the agenda the struggle for the refoundation of the Fourth International of 1938. Its program for socialist revolution has passed the test of history and acquires an enormous actuality in the struggles of the US working class.

The struggle for a socialist US as an immediate task is only inscribed in the program of the Fourth International. The struggle to recover its flags from the hands of those who sold it out and dirtied it, making a pact with Stalinism and the class enemy, is the way to provide the American working class with the program it deserves to achieve victory.

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New sectors of the exploited join the struggle

Masses don't leave the streets



Demonstration in the US



American masses confront the murderous police

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June 27 2020

Great march in defense of the Palestinian people in Paris No to the annexation of the West Bank!

Thousands of protesters marched through the streets of Paris today to condemn Israel's plan to annex parts of the West Bank, with the support of the United States. This is part of the "Deal of the Century" conceived between Trump and Netanyahu.

During the demonstration, testimonies could be heard of Palestinians that had lived in the Yarmouk refugee camp in Syria, which was bombed by al-Assad. Flags of the Syrian resistance were also seen waving next to the Palestinian ones.



Demonstration in France

Long live the Palestinian resistance! Long live the Syrian resistance!

Down with the "deal of the century"!

For the destruction of the Zionist-Fascist State of Israel!

For a free, secular, democratic and non-racist Palestine, which can only be guaranteed by a workers and peasants government!

A single Palestine from the River Jordan to the Sea!



**Demonstration in support of Palestine
against the Zionist state in USA**