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Peoples' War:

Decisive Path for the Palestinians

The Arab-Israeli conflict has taken on a new aspect. Because of the development of the people's resistance, clashes with the Israeli armed forces have increased and have acquired a basic dimension: that of the struggle for the national liberation of the Palestinian people against the expansionist State of Israel which is organically tied to imperialism and whose existence has been imposed on Palestine by force.

In our country, a unilaterally pro-Israeli report distorts the essence of that struggle. We must reestablish historic truth. This does not mean, as it is sometimes believed, that a population is to be wiped off the face of the earth, nor is it an action directed against Jews. In effect, Zionism could not have been conceived and brought into being except within the framework of the process of European colonialism, taken over by US imperialism which has used the problem of the persecuted Jews to set up a colonial state based on the violation of the rights of an entire people: the Palestinians.

It is the duty of all those who support the oppressed people in their struggle against imperialism to offer their active solidarity to the Palestinian struggle. With this end, the National Palestine Committee has

been established in Belgium. This group includes persons and currents belonging to different classes and represents a wide range of opinions.

The NPC will utilize all the appropriate means (demonstrations, conferences, diverse publications) to support the heroic struggle of the Palestinian people and plans particularly to expose pro-Zionist propaganda.

With the aim of explaining to the people the true nature of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, we will publish serious reports, a basic condition of a conscious solidarity.

The NPC will fight for the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people; it will:

1) Support the struggle of the Palestinian Liberation Movement for the destruction of the racist and colonial structures of the State of Israel and for the construction of a lay, democratic and anti-imperialist Palestine where all the inhabitants, all the ethnic and religious communities, have the same rights;

2) The NPC considers that the people's war undertaken by the Palestinian people is the decisive path to achieve their national liberation and the socialist future they wish; the NPC therefore supports the armed combatants and the civilian resistance;

3) The NPC firmly opposes any solution imposed on the Palestinian people from abroad, such as the resolution of the UN Security Council on November 22, 1967, which ignores their existence, thereby demonstrating a lack of respect for the UN Charter itself and violating it once more just as was done in 1947. The NPC also opposes any attempts on the part of the large powers to impose their so-called peaceful solution, a reflection of their interest in that part of the world;

4) The NPC affirms its solidarity with the Palestinian people in their opposition to all interference, to all barriers against their struggle, including those placed by the Arab governments;

5) The NPC supports the action of the anti-Zionist militants and groups inside Israel, and emphasizes the historic importance that necessitates an awareness on the part of the people of Israel to become conscious of the contradiction between their fundamental interests and Zionism;

6) The NPC opposes all manifestations of racism aimed against Arabs or Jews;

7) The NPC considers that the struggle of the Palestinian people against the Zionist state falls within the framework of the struggle of the oppressed people of Asia, Africa and Latin America against colonialism and imperialism.

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