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# NASSER

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THE MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE  
SECRETARIAT  
TO THE SYMPOSIUM ON NASSER

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Dear Friends:

**W**E wish to thank the Afro-Asian Organization for the honor of having invited us to participate in this symposium on the fruitful life and revolutionary leadership of President Nasser.

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It fell to President Nasser to challenge and face up to imperialism during a historic period in which the awakening of our peoples had just begun.

The historic nationalization of the Suez Canal in 1952 ordered by President Nasser, not only caused panic among the imperialists, but also marked the definitive decline of the arrogant, merciless and omnipotent power of the British and French empires in the Middle East.

Yankee imperialism and its Zionist lackeys received the news of President Nasser's death with real rejoicing, intensifying their maneuvers against the Arab people, who are victims of their aggression and imperialist voracity. For a long time, Washington has been trying by every means possible to help its puppets in Israel and Jordan realize the theory of the "equilibrium of forces" included in the Nixon doctrine for the Middle East.

The Egyptian and other Arab peoples understand clearly that all these maneuvers and plans are directed toward crushing their victorious struggle for national liberation, dividing them and legalizing the criminal occupation of Arab territory by Israel in order to defend the strategic bases and interests of US imperialism in that region.

The Palestine people have every right to use whatever methods they consider necessary to achieve their legitimate aspirations and frustrate the ambitions of Zionism and imperialism, their consummate enemies.

Over the last 20 years the Yankees have suffered their most critical blows in Indochina. The strategies followed by Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon have been buried in the swamp of far-off Viet Nam. The United States war of aggression in Viet Nam has exposed all of imperialism's weaknesses. For the first time in the history of the United States, the empire of abundant material resources and armaments has been seriously defeated by a small country, causing numerous military, political and diplomatic difficulties.

The US imperialists have been occupying the southern half of Korea for over 26 years blocking the reunification of the country. Following the



notorious Nixon doctrine of making Asians fight Asians, they are using the Japanese militarists as their shock brigade in their aggression against Korea and to step up the aggressive maneuvers aimed at provoking a new war in Korea, thus creating an extremely dangerous situation in that region.

In Africa, colonialism beats its retreat before the advance of the liberation forces; the last bastions of colonialism, represented by the fighting people of what is called Portuguese Guinea, Angola and Mozambique, are the scenes of a heroic war whose end will be nothing less than the victory of these African peoples and the humiliating defeat of Portuguese colonialism and its sustainers, the imperialist powers of NATO, led by the United States.

The racist regimes of Pretoria and Salisbury — stigmas on the African continent — prove themselves impotent in containing the dignified struggle of the peoples of South Africa, Zimbabwe and Namibia, in spite of their barbarous and genocidal methods. The people and government of the Republic of Guinea, headed by President Sékou Touré, have exposed the criminal conspiracies of the US CIA and the regimes of Portugal, the German Federal Republic and other imperialist powers. For their part, the Congolese people continue their resistance against the imperialist coalition led by the United States in complicity with its puppet Mobutu.

Yankee imperialism faces a vigorous revolution in its own backyard; Latin America, inspired by the example of its founders, writes in blood its irrevocable determination to raze to the ground the results of Yankee imperialist domination.

The revolution in that region of the world is developing and consolidating through the will of its revolutionary vanguards and the determined struggle of the working masses. After 12 years of life, the Cuban Revolution led by Comandante Fidel Castro is further consolidated every day, and in the western hemisphere firmly maintains the banners of the national lib-



eration struggle of the peoples of the world despite the barbarous blockade of the Yankee imperialists, and now no longer fights alone. At its side today is Chile and its Popular Unity Government headed by President Salvador Allende. Peru is continuing the normal development of the process of national consolidation and antifeudal affirmation that is taking place there.

A frankly fascist *golpe* overthrew the Bolivian Government in order to install a regime answerable to Yankee imperialism and its puppets in Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay. Now the people of Bolivia are advancing with more determination than before toward the conquest of revolutionary power, without hesitation or confusion. The example of Comandante Ernesto Che Guevara and of the other fighters who have given their lives for the liberation of the Bolivian people vigorously moves the revolutionary struggle forward in Bolivia and other Latin-American countries. All the revolutionary forces of Latin America and the world have the responsibility for lending their moral and material support to the Bolivian revolutionaries in their struggle against fascism and for the liberation of their homeland.

The struggle of the Afro-American people contributes valiantly to the internal decomposition of North American imperialism, whose repressive forces daily commit the most repugnant and cowardly crimes against Afro-American leaders and fighters like the young professor Angela Davis, and George Jackson.

The peoples of Africa, Asia and Latin America resolutely support the struggle of our black brothers in the United States and offer our stimulus and help in this contest for their liberty.

Our epoch is the epoch of those who fight for their rights, for independence, liberty and peace. Our epoch is an epoch in which the exploited and oppressed are arising against the imperialists, colonialists and neo-colonialists and are obtaining great victories.