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Shot by the bullets of the fascist Al Assad and the murderer Putin, Defending the southern front in Aleppo, the capital of the resistance,

ABU AL BARAA, SOCIALIST LEADER OF THE REBEL MILITIAS OF SYRIA, HAS FALLEN

Thousands of militiamen, workers and women from the resistance pay tribute to him Abu Al Baraa... worker, writer, director of the paper The Truth of the Oppressed of the Revolutionary Coordination Committees in Syria...

HE IS ALSO A MARTYR OF THE WORLD WORKING CLASS

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## Abu Al Baraa, socialist leader of the rebel militias of Syria, has fallen



efending the southern front of the besieged Aleppo, killed by the bullets of the fascist Al Assad and Putin the hitman of imperialism, Abu Al Baraa has fallen. He was a young worker, leader of the rebel masses in Aleppo.

He was co-author of the book *Syria Under Fire*, which was issued in 2014 together with Abu Muad and Carlos Munzer. He was an important leader for the International Socialist movement. He was the organizer of the forces of

the 4<sup>th</sup> International in Maghreb and Middle East.

He fell in combat in southern suburbs of Aleppo, the capital city of the resistance, fighting to break the siege of Bashar, Putin and their chief Obama on the disposed starving masses of that city.

Abu Al Baraa was a leader of the Collective for the Refoundation of the 4<sup>th</sup> International. He was attacked in the

first line of the Syrian revolution and the world one. That's where there are no more words, where it is needed to choose trenches: either with the executioners and the killers of the Syrian masses that only clash between them to dispute the loot of the oppressed; or with the working class and the poor people fighting to take the revolution that they were the ones who led it in 2011-2012 to victory.

Abu Al Baraa was a revolutionary who head the fight and intervention of the working youth and exploited of Syria against the oppressors. This is a harsh war where the fascist al Assad does the dirty work of all the imperialist powers. He was the revolutionary socialist most bold and the bravest from our international current.

He was at the head of the demonstrations of thousands of workers and youth to the arsenals and headquarters of the bourgeois generals of FSA and Al Nusra to demand weapons, so the masses could self-organize and decide the path of their revolution and fight. Each time this was going to happen, Bashar realized that he was in a very unstable position. That was the way of liberating Aleppo and the whole Syria.

He fought for direct democracy, for the mass self organized committees, for the militia men who came from the deep places of the exploited ones could chose their leadership with direct democracy.

He dreamt and fought with the Palestinian resistance, because he knew very well that Al Assad backed Zionism. He sent letter to his Syrian brothers, immigrants and refugees who

THE LEON SEDOV BRIGADE TOGETHER WITH THOUSANDS OF MILITIA MEN MARCH TOWARDS
THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE FSA AND AL NUSRA TO RECOVER THE WEAPONS AND FIGHT TO
BREAK THE FENCE ON ALEPPO TO OPEN THE ROAD TO REACH DAMASCUS



At the end of june 2016, comrade Abu Al Baraa together with Leon Sedov Brigade was at the head of the demos of tens of thousands militiamen towards the headquarters of the FSA and Al Nusra. They did so for the weapons they expropriated can return to their true owners: syrian workers and poor peasants, the protagonists of the syrian revolution who broke the siege on aleppo last July and August, and took the center of the city, his banks, and the Al Assad headquarters. Meanwhile the Sunni bourgeois generals imposed the withdrawal that ended up with Bashar imposing the fence again.

were looking to escape from the slaughter, war and hunger in Europe. The Revolutionary Marxist of Syria launched the slogan in Europe, USA and Middle East: the same class, the same enemy.

Together with hundreds of Syrian revolutionaries, he led the fight for the freedom of the political prisoners in the world, as the Palestinian resistance, the Basque prisoners, Alfon (in jail in the Spanish State), the oil workers convicted to life sentences in Las Heras (Argentina), and the anarchists in jail in Greece.

The workers and vanguard youth of the Syrian revolution understand due to their own experience that in Syria imperialism is chastising the world working class, and Al Assad can impose this genocide because of the treacherous leaderships of the world working class who support him, so Assad can kill the Syrian youth and workers.

With the generals of the FSA running away to the north of Syrian and Turkey in useless battles, with politicians and businessmen of Al Nusra hidden in Idlib, the revolutionary Aleppo was definitively surrounded by the forces of Al Assad, the constant bombardment of Putin and pro-US forces of YPG.

It was clear that the state of emergency in Turkey served to repress the working class of that country and to shield the borders with Syria, to discipline more than 4 million refugees who are there, so that the resistance does not organize itself or regroup.

We must tell the truth! The left currents, agents of big capital, throw poison in the minds of the workers. Obama and Putin coordinate themselves for their planes not to crash in Syrian airspace. USA, with the Kurdish bourgeoisie and ISIS, and Turkey control the north of the country. The forces of all the capitalist gangs have concentrated on slaughtering Aleppo, as they did yesterday in Homs, Qsair and Daraya. They know that the open dispute over the loot will be after smashing the last bastion of the revolu-

#### ABU AL BARAA AND ONE OF HIS TWO DAUGHTER, SAMIA, THE ELDER ONE- SHE IS ONE AND A HALF YEAR OLD NOW





Samia, for you and all the children, the heroes of the Syrian revolution die, don't forget us...

Carlos Munzer

tion of workers and peasants which was in 2011 across the Maghreb and Middle East, from Tunis to Cairo, from Aleppo to Jerusalem.

Under these conditions, today the counterrevolution sets its goal: to attack in order to smash tens of thousands of fighters and rebels of the masses who resist in Syria.

Abu Al Baraa was at the head of the fight of the workers of Aleppo (together with his father Mustafa Abu Juma, who also fell in combat) for the expropriation of the capitalists, the businessmen that in Syria don't have a banner or ideology. They only defend their wealth, getting huge profits from war, negotiating with every band, while they starve the tormented of Syria for wages of 12 dollars a month as the bosses from Turkey, Jordan or Lebanon in the borders of the tormented Syria.

The rage against them came fast. The factories that were occupied by the revolutionary workers were destroyed by Putin's bombings. The generals of the FSA took the weaponry far away... north, at the border with turkey, because they knew that the weapons in the hands of the self organized masses could have meant the return of the combats that yesterday ended up breaking

the siege of Aleppo.

The dog Bashar was hitting the revolutionary socialist left wing of the rebel militias of Syria. Some weeks ago, it blew headquarter of the Brigade Leon Sedov, with Russian the latest technology planes. This time it was in Rashdin, on the outskirts of Aleppo, where Bashar's mercenaries could end with the life of Abu Al Baraa, who was the head of the defense in the south front of Aleppo.

Comrade Abu Al Baraa had an urgent surgery in a campaign hospital in Syria. He did not resist the post-operation period. If he had been a bourgeois general of the FSA or Al Nusra, he would have been alive today in the best hospitals in Turkey.

His comrades, thousands of workers today in the resistance of Aleppo, are angry and chewing rage. They know that this is so. A 24-year-old, a socialist revolutionary, leader of the Brigade Leon Sedov part of the "Revolutionaries of the Levant" was very clear that the snake is killed when its head is cut off, and this head is in Damascus, in Jerusalem and in Wall Street.

Comrade Abu Al Baraa fell in the right trench, fighting against the fascist Al Assad, backed by Putin and under the protective cover of UN and USA. He fought with a Kalashnikov rifle, taken by the masses from Assad's army. There are no US M16 or US SAM (surface-to-air) missiles over there. There is a population of workers and peasants slaughtered, with the worst silence of the world left ... or worse, with Stalinism and its counter-revolutionary forces openly supporting Putin and Assad.

Today, the real scene –the tragedy of the Syrian masses- is seen. The same counterrevolutionary coalition that fences Syria under the orders of USA, today attacks Iraq, in Mosul. USA attacked Iraq again. He will go there to end the task that ISIS can no longer do: to finish the crushing of the revolutionary uprisings of the Iraqi masses that broke out in 2014. The true owners return for what is theirs.

The reformist left and the Stalinists will be rubbing their hands. They will look us indifferently. They will turn their eye blind about the fall of a socialist revolutionary leader of the masses in Maghreb and Middle East; a bold young revolutionary who took the revolutionary Marxism in 2011-2012 when the revolution began.

He embraced the banners of the Fourth International at a very young age and most of his conscious life was fighting for the Syrian revolution and to set up the party of socialist revolution throughout Middle East and the world. He and his family lived as workers, with the miserable 12 dollars a month wage paid by the bosses (no matter which banner they raise) in the entire partitioned Syria.

As a socialist, Abu Al Baraa completed his revolutionary preparation studying (in the trenches, with his comrades, or in neighbouring countries) the books of Trotskyism that are translated into Arabic, among them The Transitional Program, which was the most important one and the one he was more passionate about.

The death of our comrade also shows a fact of reality that can't be questioned: the leaders of the reformist left are in the bourgeois parliaments

# AL ASSAD AND PUTIN AVIATION ATTACKS WITH MISSILES THE HEADQUARTER OF THE BRIGADE LEON SEDOV



The bourgeoisie was merciless with the Syrian revolution's left wing deeply rooted in masses. Months ago, during the fake one-week ceasefire of Obama and Putin, it was published news on a UN convoy attacked near Aleppo. It was not what really happened. In fact, the barrack of the rebel militia men of the Brigade Leon Sedov was attacked and destroyed when such convoy was going by.

turning their back on this heroic revolution or they are as miserable sold out to the capital supporting Al Assad, the Syrian "Franco". Meanwhile, the revolutionary cadres die and fight in the most advanced of the class struggle together with the exploited of Syria.

Weeks before, the generals of Al Nusra in Idlib have called the leaders of rebel militias in Aleppo to obey their military discipline. Comrade Abu Al Baraa said that the only thing to obey was the rank and file assemblies of the militias, the coordination committees, the ones that really fight in the front and in the first place the masses in besieged Aleppo.

That's why from the besieged Aleppo the starving masses searched him and his comrades to speak for them. Some days ago we have published this denounces of the oppressed in Aleppo against the bourgeois generals of the FSA that abandoned the struggle.

Comrade Abu Al Baraa fell in moments when we were finishing together the second book Syria Under Fire, titled 2015-2016 "Syria: Operation Massacre".

Together as a team, we were preparing the issue of the Arabic newspaper "The Truth of the Oppressed", speaker of the Revolutionary Coordination Committees and Leon Sedov Brigade. He was the editorial director of the paper.

We were organizing the revolutionary internationalist fraction of the workers and vanguard militias in Syria and Middle East around a digital printed paper. Trotskyism is speaking again in Arabic, the language of the socialist revolution.

This harsh blow fills us with distress and hatred on the exploiters. But it won't stop us from finishing these militant tasks. This time, we will have to do it without him, but we will. We have the forces for that and they have flourished in the civil war trenches.

We are confident. We know that there are thousands like him who are standing up and will stand up to fight for the socialist revolution.

Capitalism has shown no mercy with the workers and revolutionary youth in the world. They are the ones leading the fights of the world working class. For that reason, the 43 students missing in Mexico, the murder of Michael Brown and other young blacks in US, the Greek or Basque youth, the youth of the Spanish State and Palestinian are in the dungeon of capitalist regimes and governments.

Abu Al Baraa was the flesh and blood of that rebellious youth, but conscious of his historical task of setting up a party for the international socialist revolution.

This struggle has not been in vain. Trotskyism is a living force, implanted in the vanguard of the Syrian resistance. We, as revolutionaries, have that honor that the ones that speak about socialism only on holidays while every day they ran away and betray the revolution made by the masses of the world don't have. Further, they put themselves furthest away from these revolutions.

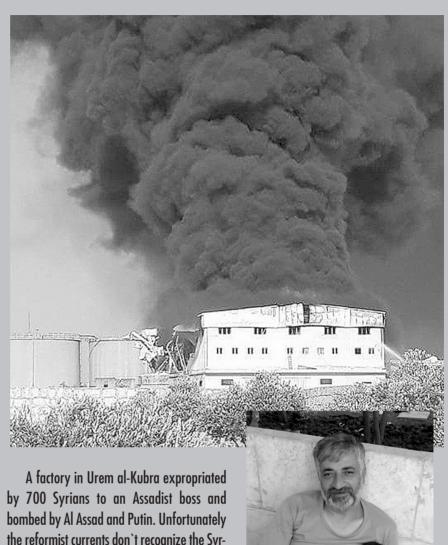
From FLTI, we are in a tough fight against the wretched left, which supports the bankrupt capitalism as nurses or rules on behalf of the Bankers such as Syriza or Podemos. We have nothing to do with those impostors of socialism that isolate and besiege the revolutions and revolutionaries. We have nothing to do with those reformist and cynic counterrevolutionaries that set up international "brigades" and "militias" not to go to fight for the revolution but to stab in the back the revolutionaries, as the Stalinist parties did in Europe. They sent militias and brigades to Donbass to kill as militiamen who were submitted to the Minsk counterrevolutionary agreement of Obama and Putin.

It is already clear that between revolutionary Marxism and Stalinism there is a blood river. There are the "Communist youth" of Italy, Ukraine and Russia going to greet the murderer Al Assad in Damascus, bringing solidarity to the fascist forces who slaughter in Syria. On the other side, on the barricades of the rebel Aleppo, there

#### FACTORY WITHOUT BOSSES BOMBED BY AL ASSAD

So rage against the Syrian working class because the most militant sectors understood that:

#### TO WIN THE WAR: LET'S EXPROPRIATE THE CAPITALISTS!



the reformist currents don't recognize the Syrian working class. Just to give only one example, it should be as not to recognize the quality of the workers of the Ceramist factory Zanon (Neuguén Province, Argentina) when

they, as part of the revolutionary struggle in Argentina, put the factory to produce without bosses. Such attitude would not be decent in a socialist but in a strike-breaker.

Abu Al Baraa was at the head of the fight of Aleppo workers together with his father Mustafa -who has fallen too in the battlefield- for the expropriation of this factory and all the business men.

are the Trotskyists who fight and died.

On one side the workers of Russian Donbass, who have not got paid for a year and launched a revolutionary strike; and on the other side, the unions led by the Stalinist sellers out of the October Revolution supporting the murderer Putin and the new counter-revolutionary autocracy of Moscow.

From the International Leninist Trotskyist Fraction (FLTI) we will finish, continue and deepen the fight that we were giving with him. We will fight for the newspaper of Syria and the Middle

East, "The Truth of the Oppressed" to become a revolutionary internationalist workers movement from one of the region most attacked by imperialism on the planet. This newspaper in Arabic will concentrate the fighting lessons of many years. It states that in order to win the war against the fascist Al Assad, we must end with the generals from FSA and Al Nusra, it is necessary to expropriate the capitalists and bankers, it is necessary to open the borders so millions of refugees, can arm themselves and self organize. Many refugees are seeking to return to their home land to smash the dog Assad, his partner Putin, and the imperialist powers that conspire in the back rooms and from UN so that the fascist Assad can do the dirty work.

Today the FLTI says goodbye to one of its young leaders, to one of its most valuable revolutionaries. Trotskyists spread our blood through the battlefield. Millions of us will emerge from these battles and will take to victory the ideas that Abu Al Baraa gave his life for. The reformists live in the peace of the cemeteries of the world working class, in their parliament seats or in the high layers of labour aristocracy.

Our comrade decided along with other young internationalists to name his brigade Leon Sedov, Trotsky's son killed by Stalinism. Today, we can say that comrade Abu Al Baraa, as a symbol of the revolutionary youth, will be also a banner of the fight of Leon Sedov Brigade, the working class and the oppressed in Syria.

Abu Al Baraa is a martyr of the Syrian and world working class, a banner of the fight of all the socialist revolutionary currents that support the fair cause of the Syrian revolution against the fascist Bashar the dog.

Before his fall, comrade Abu Al Baraa, together with hundreds of Syrian fighters, saluted the resolutions of the congress of La Paz Factory Workers and the International Congress called by the education workers of Mexico (CNTE) that issued a statement in support of the Syrian masses. Both statements are translated into Arabic and will be issued in the paper The Truth of the Oppressed.

These comrades transcribed and took the statements from the Rail wokers of Brazil, who support the Syrian revolution. They were part of the Inter-

national Network for the freedom of the world political prisoners. In Aleppo trenches, it was seen as part of the same fight the fate of the 43 education students missing in Mexico and they wrote solidarity letters with the teachers from Tierra del Fuego (Argentina).

From the anarchists who are in the Greek prisons, send solidarity letters and support to the fight. They could recognize who were their allies in the Syrian revolution.

The Syrian revolutionaries were happy to know that around the world there were public meetings on October 1<sup>st</sup> called Rage Day in support of the Syrian revolution.

The Syrian rebels need –and feel it in their own flesh- the support of the workers and the oppressed ones to their right cause. Today, when the bourgeois generals of FSA and Al Nursa who claimed to represent them, they have abandoned the rebels in the battle field.

Abu Al Baraa is a real militant of all the fights of the world working class. He should be a heritage and banner of all the ones who are really fighting for the revolution and we are giving our lives to prevail.

On our side, we reaffirm our commitment which is to break the siege to the Syrian revolution. In this way, we will break the siege which prevents the world working class to defeat imperialism, its regimes and governments.

From Damascus to Tunis, from Aleppo to Jerusalem... a single socialist revolution!

Open the path to the worker's vouth!

Long live a revolutionary workers and peasants Syria!

Comrade Abu Al Baraa... Until the victory of the international socialist revolution!

INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION SECRETARIAT
OF THE FLTI



## The rebel militias, the true voices from Aleppo under siege

#### 10/15/2016

These are the voices of the exploited from the besieged Aleppo and under the massacre and constant bombing of Al Assad, Putin and Obama, They are making the truth to come out once again, against so much slandering of the rubbish left and the FSA generals that claim to defend them and have done nothing more than filling their pockets. They show that in the rebel Aleppo the ones resisting today are the ones that truly started the revolution in 2011, the exploited masses



From the Revolutionary Coordination Committees we are spokespersons for the exploited who are in the rebel neighbourhoods of Aleppo. We call on all the workers militant antiimperialist human rights defenders organizations that claim to defend the Syrian revolution to also reproduce the voices of the besieged masses that are under bombing in Aleppo. Let their voice be heard in the entire world so the truth of Syria can reach the whole world working class. Let's call to take to the streets, to make actions of struggle, like last October 1st to make each day a "day of rage" in support of Aleppo to stop the massacre.

ABU MUAD AND ABU AL BARAA

**Fatma:** Peace be upon you brothers in the fight... Commanders of Aleppo, generals of Aleppo... You don't care about Aleppo! You have bread in your homes, you have food in your homes, you have money in your homes... and here, the children of Aleppo die of starvation and none of you cares about

You won't break the siege that has encircled us... The women of Aleppo will break it!

**Mohammed:** Such arrogance of the generals! Hey, it's not up to you to free (Aleppo) now. We are not asking you to free it. Open the road for the besieged people of Aleppo!

You tell us sanctions don't work... one of your generals goes and you name another one... you say no demonstrations allowed... Open the road then! Enough! We don't want you to free the city... just go away from Aleppo... Get out from Aleppo!

Mustafa: Brigades of Aleppo, if there is some

"dignity" in you, eat camel meat, to see if you have some courage... courage for your land, for your honor, for your nation.

Enough... too much money you have gathered. Enough! That's too much! If you continue this way, we will demonstrate against you just as we do against the regime.

As a second question, understand, pay attention and understand these words...

You keep on stealing and collecting Money. That means that Bashar the dog has the right to stay in his throne...

Enough is enough. You have plenty of food and drinks, and there are people that don't have anything to eat or drink and the only thing they are asking is Aleppo to be free. Enough! There are no more graves, no more mosques, no more Koran... nothing! The children... The houses are destroyed. The hospitals are destroyed. Enough! Until when will you stay with your arms crossed!!



## THE TRUTH OF THE OPPRESSED

It has been issued

From the Coordination Committees of the Syrian revolution The press of workers and oppressed from the Arabian countries

"Let's break the fence on Aleppo! Let's stop the genocide against the Syrian workers and oppressed provoked by Bashar the dog and the hitman Putin under the approved of Obama and Erdogan!

From Damascus to Jerusalem, from Aleppo to Yemen, from Morocco to Cairo, from Bagdad to Gaza strip: A single Intifada!

> Our ally is the world working class

Our fate will be finishing written in the struggle of the US, European and Japan working class

Long live the international working class against the imperialism and all his lackeys!"

Translation from the cover page "The truth of the oppressed"



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### GREETINGS AND ENDORSEMENTS FOR ABU AL BARAA

From all across the world, different political currents, worker organizations and fighters defenders of the Syrian revolution have sent us their tributes and greetings in solidarity. We reproduce in this section some of them. Our readers can find the complete section in our website: www.flti-ci.org



10/25/2016

# From the jails in Greece, anarchists in prison pay tribute to the Syrian socialist revolutionary Abu Al Baraa



write this text wanting to talk about Abu Al Baraa, a rebel from Aleppo who succumbed to his injuries. He received these in-

juries, two days ago, from sniper bullets, in a battle against the forces of the bloodthirsty regime of Bashar Al Assad and its allies, to break the siege in southern Aleppo.

Contrary to the stereotype created by propaganda, he was not a fanatic Islamist. but a socialist. Unlike the sellouts of left, he continued to defend the revolution until the end, against the adversities, and battled to break the siege of Aleppo, through his participation in Brigade Leon Sedov. These people prove by their existence, that the struggle is possible in any circumstance. Where the enemy is a mighty military machine that makes indiscriminate air raids. Where residents do not dare to open the light because they are being targeted by the murderous bomber aircrafts of Russia. Where organizations like FSA and Islamist Fateh Al Sham (former Al Nusra) appropriate the revolution, imposing taxes, controlling oil-business, and capitalize their military power into checkpoints, in order to control the transfer of products and get richer. Where these organizations make the rebels kill each other for the sole purpose of their profits. Through the endless slaughter in Syria. where the bomber planes of US and European states, kill people every day, who happen to live in places that get occupied or temporarily used by ISIS, a group created by their own handlings.

In these circumstances, therefore, these people are trying to keep the idea of **Revolutionary Coordination Committees** alive, which expressed self-organization at the beginning of the revolution and are now eliminated by the organizationsfeuds. These people were in favor of the expropriation of the banks during the recent demonstrations, which the above organizations prevented, because they didn't want them to become an obstacle to their interests. They express anti-imperialist analysis against all involved armies. These people were at the head of the demonstration in besieged Aleppo, which required from FSA and Al Nusra to give weapons to people to self-organize their defense against the regime (which the unions refused). They give their lives in battles

against murderous military machines. These people have not left Syria, not abandoned the revolution in the hands of enemies.

Here, unfortunately, their voice is not being heard. While Syrian revolution drowned in blood, their voice is stifled by propaganda. A propaganda not only delivered from the right, but mostly from pieces of the left, because the majority has forgotten the social war and has been involved in geopolitical games between imperialist states. Ultimately, rather than defend a revolution, it scorns and abandons entire populations to the imperialist slaughterhouse, speaking with statist terms, and in its extreme form ends up showing Russia as a non-imperialist power and defending the murderer Al Assad. As part of this propaganda, Syrian revolution is declassified and presented as ethnic or religious conflict.

Unfortunately, even pieces of anarchist movement, either regurgitate the statist analyzes of regime left or simply remain unconcerned about an issue that can not match their ideological preconceptions.

Time to break the silence. To break the political isolation. To do effective and not humanitarian actions of solidarity to the slaughtered Syrian people. When a war is raging for over than 6 years, which has cost hundreds of thousands dead and millions displaced, there is severe lack of organization of an anti-war demonstration. The increase of the internal pressure and the political cost, is the only way to force the imperialist states to stop the bombing. Excuses about the nature of the Syrian op-

position have no meaning, as the fact that Saddam was a brutal dictator did not stop anti-war demonstrations for Iraq nor the Islamist references of Hamas prevented solidarity to the Palestinian resistance. Similarly, in the case of Syria, it is a necessity to organize anti-war demonstrations.

### We received the following text on 10.22,2016:

To the anarchist comrades in Koridallos prison, D wing

I send you a warm hug from the Syrian resistance, from the fights against Bashar the dog, Putin and the attempts of imperialism to defeat our revolution. We know of your contribution to our fight, which you have taken it as your fight too, as the Syrian revolution and its victory is a struggle of all the workers and oppressed of the world. We are very happy and thrilled with emotions for it. It is a great example for all the world working class. History would've been different if we had had such support and had been all together against all these concentration of counterrevolutionary genocidal forces that we are confronting in Syria, the same ones that keep you in prison.

Today we are isolated. The capital of our resistance, Aleppo, is still

besieged, supplies cannot reach them, it is bombed every day. There is a brutal massacre ongoing. Under these circumstances, it is difficult for us to be able to move among the fronts and to get supplies. Right now, it's impossible to get through the roads for that. That's the reason we couldn't receive yet your contribution here. Please know that we are looking a way to re-open the access to those roads, or maybe find others, and once the roads are clear, we will receive your contribution.

Once again comrades, a great contribution you have made from every point of view. We send you all a warm revolutionary hug!

Let's be strong against capitalism, imperialism, their governments and states, their repressive and murderous forces!

From Syria Abu Al Baraa Abu Al Baraa, apart from battling daily to break the siege of Aleppo by forces of Assad and allies, was struggling to break the political siege of the Syrian revolution. He was one of the co-authors of the book "Syria in flames, a revolution stained in blood", and he was writing for the Arab newspaper "The truth of the oppressed".

We had correspondance with Abu Al Baraa and the brigade Leon Sedov, and we are going to expose the last letter he sent to us, about a symbolic financial contribution we wanted to send them. We translated and we are publishing it, because it reflects the way of thinking, ethics, and the desire for solidarity, from the fighters who fight there, and they are getting so slandered. It could be addressed to all comrades and not only to us, and personally it makes us consider the responsibilities of our own inactivity.

ANARCHISTS FROM THE **D** WING OF **K**ORYDALLOS PRISON

## Greetings from Alberto Santillan to Leon Sedov Brigade for the murder of Abu Al Baraa

Comrades. I talk from Argentina, my name is Alberto Santillan, father of Dario Santillan, who was also a social militant murder by the so called security forces led by the Argentinean state. I have just received the sad news and I want to let you know that I am with you -as it should be. Each time they hit us where we get most hurt, it is when the real cadres are killed, we know that through those death, thousands of comrades join us to our fight. For that reason, sometimes words are not enough. I would like to be there, with you or taking the fallen comrade, but from far things sometimes are not possible. I want you to know that I am by your side and I share your sadness and all your fight.

I insist, I share your sadness, rage and



if there is a fallen one, we will multiply the forces in other comrades to join us in this fight. A strong hug, sharing the sadness, the fallen comrades in the fight



teaches us that we have to be strong and more united than ever.

A strong hug

# ABU AL BARAA AND DARIO SANTILLAN, TWO SYMBOLS OF THE REBEL YOUTH AND MARTYRS OF THE WORLD WORKING CLASS

## Tribute to the founder of the international network for the freedom of the political prisoners

From the Commission of Condemned Workers, Relatives and Friends of Las Heras, we are deeply moved by the death of the comrade Abu. Our hearts are very sad, but also full of rage, because those who killed the comrade were the same ones who condemned our comrades in Las Heras. They are the same enemies who kill us, put us in jail, oppress and those who do not want the revolution to prevail.

We got to know the comrade Abu Al Baraa in the trial that the oil companies, the government and justice system mounted against our comrades. He was the very first day fighting with us for our acquittal; he, together with his comrades, constantly sent us messages and videos giving us strength to fight from the same battlefront.

Like us, he was a fervent fighter for the cause of the Palestinian people against the Zionist occupation. We had the honor to fight together for the freedom of Samer, Medhat and Shireen Isawwi and all the Palestinian prisoners who are more than 7000. This fight was a fighting banner of the Local Coordination Committees of Syria. In order to set free the Palestinian prisoners, they offered to make an exchange of Basharist hostages who were under the power of the rebel people. They understood deeply that their fight was the same to the Palestinian people.

On December 12, 2013, the day that we were condemned to life sentence and to jail, Abu and his comrades took that day as the International Persecuted Worker's Day. Meanwhile the bombs and shots of Bashar al Assad fell over them; they did not stop sending us their messages in solidarity. They are a great example showing that the fight of the exploited ones has no borders and without the workers international unity we cannot fight.

That's why the comrades of Syria, to-



gether with us and the Palestinian resistance founded the International Network. we knew it before and even more now that internationalism is the key to fight against the very same enemies that we have all over the world.

Abu Al Baraa and the comrades of the Syrian resistance never missed a date, for them it was an honor every December 12th.

In the last international day of 12/12, he was with us from far away and with Alberto, Dario Santillan's father who was killed with Maximiliano Kosteki by the police and the Argentine government on June 26th, 2002.

We know, because we could talk to them. His heart was full of pain and rage when the 43 student disappeared in Ayotzinapa and until the last day of his life he felt they were his brothers, as part of the same revolutionary youth who confront the same enemies throughout the world, for that reason for him it was always the same struggle.

This coming December 12, we must reinforce this fight that we are launching, getting deepen and are spreading it. Because we are all Abu Al Baraa, we are all refugees; we are all persecuted, condemned and political prisoners fighting against the same enemies.

We know that this is the only way to

achive our freedom and for all political prisoners, to conquer bread for our families, to end once and for all with this ordeal to which the multinationals, their governments and states condemned us.

This December 12, Abu Al Baraa will be with us, we know and we feel it in that way. All the martyrs and the oppressed are honorary presidents of our International Network which aim to fight, and will, tirelessly for the trial and punishment of their murderers.

We are not going to have the comrade physically... but he will be in our fight and in each action that we will do. We will never forget him nether the more than 600,000 martyrs of the Syrian revolution. They are our brothers, our blood and flesh and an example to

There will not be forgetfulness or forgiveness; we will continue raising the banner of the Syrian Revolution and the voice of the voiceless as he did.

From our hearts we send you a warm hug to his family and to Brigade Leon Sedov.

HONOR TO COMRADE Abu Al

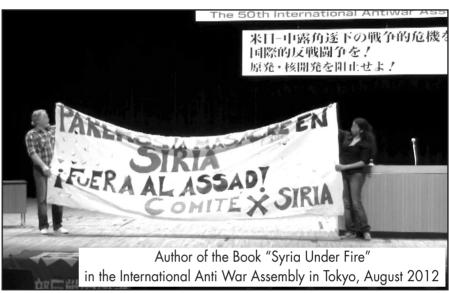
ACQUITTAL TO THE OIL WORK-ERS OF LAS HERAS!!!

> COMMISSION OF CONDEMNED WORKERS, **RELATIVES AND FRIENDS OF LAS HERAS**

From Japan, tribute from the Marxists **of the JRCL-RMF** to the fallen comrade Abu Al Baraa, socialist leader of the rebel militias in Syria. Thousands of workers, youth and revolutionary workers

# FROM JAPAN PAY HOMAGE TO THE MARTYRS OF THE SYRIAN REVOLUTION





Dear Comrades Carlos Munzer, Abu Muad, Leandro Hofstadter and all the comrades of the FLTI.

We are filled with the deepest grief together with you to hear the news that Comrade Abu Al Baraa died. We are also feeling working-class outrage together with you at the brutalities of the Al Assad government, against which the young revolutionary fought to the last, and at the barbarities of the criminals who are either supporting this regime or using it as a pretext, such as the rulers of Russia, the US and other Western imperialist states, and Turkey and other neighbouring states, all of whom are continuing aerial bombing and firing on the people of Syria.

In August this year, the 54th International Antiwar Assemblies held in Tokyo and other cities in Japan received an inspiring message of solidarity from the FLTI-CI and Leon Sedov Brigade, Trotskyists fighting in Syria. It is still fresh in our memory that Comrade Abu Al Baraa sent us this message from 'bloodied Aleppo' under joint signature with Comrades Carlos Munzer and Abu Muad. The message said, 'In Syria, and in Aleppo in particular, a new intifada has started ...' On hearing this, participants in the assemblies strongly felt the resolute will for fighting of Abu Al Baraa and the Syrian resistance, and of all the comrades of the FLTI, as well as their enthusiasm for revolution.

We express our deep regret at the death of Comrade Abu Al Baraa. Together with you, comrades of the FLTI, we say goodbye to the young Trotskyist who was truly determined to be a revolutionary.

Back in Japan, militant workers and students are fighting resolutely against the neo-fascist Abe-led government's scheme to send a newly organized military contingent to South Sudan (which is allowed by the aggressive War Law to kill local people for 'rescuing' foreign troops). They are also combating, in the face of violent repression by the riot police, against the Japanese government, now hell-bent on constructing a new US military base in Okinawa. These struggles are fought across the country, where they hold their banner up high, which says, 'We denounce the indiscriminate air strikes on Syria by the imperialist states of the US, France and the UK, as well as by Russia!' We shall promote antiwar and other struggles here in Japan ever more powerfully in solidarity with you, the comrades of the FLTI, who are fighting for the revolutionary task, on which the young revolutionary staked his life.

We are convinced that our tribute to him must be a more intensive fight of us to strengthen workers' and toiling people's struggles based on the working class unity, and to forge their truly revolutionary vanguard organizations.

With an internationalist hug,

SACHIKO KIHARA FOR THE JRCL-RMF OCTOBER 31, 2016

## TRIBUTE TO Abu Al Barga FROM PALESTINE

We are in Human Rights Defenders Group in Palestine send our deep condolences for Abu Al Baraa who was killed in Aleppo and we feel the world lost of of the great human rights defenders when he was killed by the regime fire and we hope this sad situation will finish soon tell the people in Syria living in peace.

**HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS GROUP IN PALESTINE** 



### From New Zeland

#### Revolutionary Greetings Comrades,

We add our voice to the thousands of workers who condemn the fascist/imperialist war and the death of the martyr Abu Al Baraa!

Aleppo is our Paris Commune and we honour the death of all those who die fighting the fascists and imperialists and all those non-combatants who are bombed or starved to death.

Long live the revolutionary fighter comrade Abu Al Baraa!

Death to the fascists and imperialists! Victory to the Syrian Revolution!

DAVE BROWN (FOR CWG A/NZ)

"We know what is possible when we do what is necessary"

### From RWG - Zimbabwe

Revolutionary Workers Group (Zimbabwe section of LCC) joins the WIL (Zimbabwe section of FLTI) in mourning the death in combat of comrade Abu Al Baraa. Comrade Baraa died while defending Allepo from the imperialist butchers as part of the Leon Sedov Brigade. He was also a co-author of the book Syria on fire.Go well working class martyr.

COMRADE TIGWE ON BEHALF OF RWG

### From WIL - Zimbabwe

Sad news our comrade Abu Al Baraa died this morning. He was co-author of the book Syria Under Fire, together with Carlos and Abu Maud. He was the organizer of trotskyism in middle East and he was a member of the flti international secretariat.

Glory and honor to the martyrs of the Syrian revolution. His death will not go unpunished!

War to all his killers!

So much betrayal will not go unpunished!

After receiving the FLTI's tribute, comrades of WIVP, who have been issuing all the correspondence and positions of the Brigade Leon Sedov for the exploited ones of the African continent, they sent us the following message

## From WIVP - South Africa

Thanks for this, we will distribute widely in the workers movement.

Revolutionary greetings and condolences Abu am Baraa, always present until Socialism....

SHAHEED

# From Marikana Fighting Committee (MFC)

We Marikana Fighting Committee (MFC) we are deeply moved by the death of the comrade Abu who was the organizer of Trotskyism in middle east also he was member of the international secretariat.

We won't forget, we won't forgive! The state, the government, their repressive forces and the bosses are the responsible for the massacre. They are the same enemies who kill us, put us in jail, oppress and those who do not want the revolution to prevail.

The demand of the miners of Marikana is the same demand of all the workers in southern Africa and the entire world.



We are all Abu Al Baraa, we are all refugees, we are all persecuted and we all have the same enemy. We will continue fighting to break the siege on the Syrian revolution;

Marikana Fighting Committee 31 October, 2016

## From South Africa

Saluting the workers of Las Heras and Abu Al Baraa .From workers and community activists in South Africa..... Keep up the fight until Socialism...



October 26, 2016

## Tribute to the comrade Abu Al Baraa, leader of Leon Sedov Brigade and example of the Syrian revolution...

omrade Abu Al Baraa has fallen. He, with all the Syrian resistance, and the oil workers of Las Heras... they are both godfathers of this metallurgical bulletin.

We forged on the battlefront with him, although thousands of kilometers apart...

While the comrade in the resistance. organizing and leading the militias against the siege at the hands of Bashar al Assad, Putin, the Arab bourgeoisie and Obama his boss, and all reformist currents who got tired of saying nonsense to throw dust in the eyes the rest of the world... and allow such a genocide.... he left everything for the revolution...

We have taken his voice in Acindar. as we did with the oil workers (food industry), Donelley, Parana Metal, Siderar and all the factories to which we would support in a strike, in order to speak clear about the injuries wanted to hide from this BLOODIES REVOLUTION...

We started to be active when we heard the military trial of the oil workers, who had been sentenced to life for demanding a decent wage and decent working conditions... we could not believe how much viciousness of the state, the oil companies and so much isolation from currents such as FIT (Workers and Left Front) who today seem to have forgotten again that the sentence still stands because they do not even mention the oil workers in their newspapers...

In 2012 we traveled to Las Heras, to the trial against the oil workers to support them, and we learned that a group of brave young men who were facing



attacks and resisted with many families defending their lands, their homes and their jobs ... they had sent solidarity to the oil workers from Libva and Svria... We got surprised and it was thanks to that attitude we understood the true INTERNATIONALISM, solidarity among the working class of the world, regardless race, language, beliefs ... we understood -thanks to them- that the same oil companies that condemned to life sentence the oil workers in Argentina, were slaughtering whole families in North Africa and Middle East...

One of those brave young men was Abu Al Baraa, with Leon Sedov Brigade....

The comrade was one of the authors of the book SYRIA UNDER FIRE, by the Publishing House Rudholft Klement. We had the honor of being part of one of the presentations the very December 12, Day of the persecuted worker for fighting. This was in a public meeting in Santa Cruz House (province where Las Heras is located Tn) in Buenos Aires demanding for the acquittal of the oil workers of Las Heras.

We did not have the opportunity to meet face to face because when he tried to come to Argentina to the official presentation of the book, as spokesman for the Syrian resistance, he had hundreds of problems by Cristina Kirchner's government of and all Bolivarian government who backed All Assad, he was not even allowed to step in America...

As all of us, he was a worker, an exploited ... the situation lived in Syria made him to be a real revolutionary when he as a teenager... He was another refugee, but he decided to stay there to defend what belongs to him...

From La Gota, we want to tell all the metallurgical workers, workers, youth that another black page has been written in the history of the labor movement. because a true revolutionary has fallen... he was not the one who call themselves revolutionaries and everyday kneed down to demand laws in parliament nor of those who speak on behalf of the socialist revolution only on May Day and the rest of their days they are active with political campaigns to win parliamentary seats...

We have lost one of the greatest revolutionaries of the twenty-first century, a young man who understood that the only way to confront imperialism and all its followers was with the socialist revolution...

Comrade Abu Al Baraa ... There will not be forgiveness nor forgetfulness, we will continue raising the voice on behalf of the Syrian resistance and all those who are standing up taking his revolutionary example...

It has been an honor to have belonged to the 4th International in your life and with you!!

TO THE SOCIALIST REVOLUTION!! YOUNG GENERATIONS WILL BE HIS FLESH AND SOUL!! **FOREVER COMRADE!** 

> La GOTA **B**ULLETIN OF THE METAL WORKERS



#### From "Radio Siria Libre" ("Free Syrian Radio") October 24th, 2016

# TODAY WE SAY GOODBYE TO THE COMRADE AND FRIEND ABU BARAA. A HEROE FOR THE SYRIA FREEDOM

Thousands of Syrians go to the funeral of our hero and brother Abu Baraa. He has fallen in South Aleppo breaking the fence. He was co-author of the book "Syria under Fire". Snipers of the "dog", rat and coward finished his life but not his struggle and cause.

He reached the hospital alive...but he did not survive the surgery. He was releasing from Syria and towards abroad a digital press named "The Truth of the Oppressed".

He was the voice of the "Revolutionary Coordination Committees".

It's heartbreaking this as

well as everyday where children, elderly people, women die in the hands of this rat.

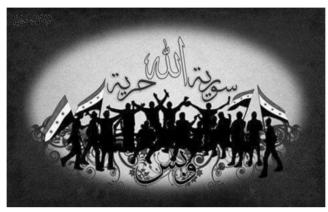
Militia man...writer...construction worker in his free time and revolutionary during great part of his

short life.

We say goodbye to a friend, another hero and martyr, one more son of Syria.

We say goodbye to a valuable and admired friend.

To the victory forever, comrade, friend, brother...son of Syria!



While decades the basharists chanted: "God, Syria, Bashar and no more" the 2011 revolution set the war cry: "God, Syria, freedom and no more"

### Mexico

**October 28th, 2016** 

Mario César González: father of one of the teacher's students disappeared in Ayotzinapa

# "A big hug to the family of Abu Baraa on the behalf of the 43 parents seeking our children"

Good morning. I am a father of the 43 students of the teacher training college that have been disappeared by the State. My name is Mario Cèsar González. The name of my son is César Manuel González Hernández.



Unfortunately, we know that it will be always in that way in the capitalist countries. Either defeat or kill the people.

A huge hug for the Abu Baraa's family on the behalf of the 43 parents seeking our children. God bless you and receive this hug in the name of the 43 parents and family from Ayotzinapa, Guerrero, Mexico. And a great hug for the comrades in Ar-

gentina too that thanks for them we can have a communication with you. Thanks to the International Network we can be in touch and share our pain, either from there to here or from here to there.

MARIO CÉSAR GONZÁLEZ

#### FROM "THE COMMISSION FOR THE FREEDOM OF THE CNTE PRISONERS"

Hello comrades, good evening. It is very sad to lose a dear comrades and especially that he was working to make visible the genocide and barbarism of these governments. It is sad. I send you a warm hug and fighting greetings!

**CARMEN SANCHEZ** 

RUDOLPH KLEMENT PUBLISHING HOUSE:

## FACING THE ASSASSINATION OF HIS WRITER AND **JOURNALIST ABU AL BARAA BY THE GENOCIDAL FORCES OF AL ASSAD**



ur Publishing House has suffered a huge human lost since the writer Abu Al Baraa, co-author together with Abu Muad and Carlos Munzer of the book "2013-2014 Syria Under Fire. A revolution Stained in **Blood**" was killed by the bullets of Al Assad and Putin. The true journalism, the one that by his words confronted the big press corporations of capitalists that from their editorial offices and TV sets spread poison to hide the reality and deceive the world oppressed.

Our writer knew till the latest detail of the fate of the Syrian people since he is one of the millions who took the streets in 2011 demanding bread, work and freedom facing the dictatorial and murderous regime. His writings, notes and contributions were decisive to illustrate the tragedy suffered by workers and peasants there. It was a man in all the sense since he defended his ideas as part of such huge and heroic struggle. He was director of the press in Arab language called "The truth of the Oppressed".

The feel a terrible pain since we did everything for our writer can go out Syria to end up his work abroad so that he can tell the world oppressed everything about the slaughter and genocide carried out by those war criminals acting under the orbit of Obama and big dominant powers. But we were not able to fulfil our aim.

The Argentinean and Brazilian governments in 2015 denied him the visa despite we presented all the required documents on time. Without having any rejection for the required papers we presented to the Argentinean consulate established in Istanbul, Turkey: invitation of our Publishing House containing the correspondent No of the National Unique Registration office of requesting Foreigners, a letter containing the details as regards the aim of the visit of our Syrian writer; DDJJ fulfilled by the invited journalist; passport in order; and all our papers presented legalized before a notary public. In the case of Brazil, the very CSP/CONLU-TAS, a trade union central with 4 millions of affiliated, processed the visit of our writer in the Brazilian consulate established in Istanbul and the Chancellor's office located in Brasilia fulfilling all the required pre-requisites as dozens times they have done for invited people from all across the world.

But the decision taken by both countries was to deny Abu Al Baraa the entry. Dozens of organizations gave the comrade their solidarity immediately, among them, the Central

Union CONLUTAS from Brazil and the International Federation of Journalists, and public figures such as Luis Zamora or Rafael Spregelburg.

But they did not change their decision since they are "Bolivarian" governments aligned with the murder Al Assad. If he was a journalist of New York Times, The Guardian, BBC or any other media or an assadist general or employee, surely there would not be any problem. If they had applied the same modus operandi (deny the visa to Abu Al Baraa) on one of the biggest journalist work "Diamonds stained in blood", it would have never been published because they would have prevented the entry of that coloured worker from tormented Africa. This black worker escaped from a brutal massacre and achieved telling the world the ongoing reality: that the opulent diamonds of the big imperialist powers are taken thanks to the blood of tens of thousands of black slaves.

Abu Al-Baraa expressed perfectly what was happening in Syria. The book "Syria under fire" would have been impossible without his decisive contribution from the forefront of the struggle of the oppressed masses in Syria.

Abu Al-Baraa was a journalist, writer and actor of that great struggle. When he fell fighting in the most advanced forefront against Al - Assad in Aleppo, he had just completed his most prized work along with his companions in Syria and abroad: the newspaper "The truth of the oppressed", the voice of the revolutionary coordinating committees of the Syrian resistance.

His place in the trenches against genocidal Al - Assad, Putin and their Chief Obama, cost Abu Al-Baraa having no visa... for any country in the world. For France, USA and Great Britain, he was a "jihadist". For the embassies of the Kirchners, Maduro, Dilma and other bourgeoisies of Latin America, servants to imperialism, he was a fighter from the FSA, an enemy of Al Assad's "democratic Government". The international bourgeoisie knew perfectly well that Abu Al-Baraa was leaving Syria to collaborate in breaking the siege armed against that great revolution and expose the slanders and the infamy that the left of Obama and other counter-revolutionary traitors have poured against the heroic masses of Syria.

Already before, in 2013, Leandro Hofstadter, journalist and correspondent to our Publishing House, had gone to Tunisia, there where revolutions had emerged in 2011 over the Maghreb and Middle East -to carry the truth of the Syrian revolution, the solidarity to thousands of fighters that in that country were keeping on the spark young Mohammed Bouazizi had lit to immolate himself. Leandro was detained for 10 days in the dungeons of the "democratic" Government of Tunisia that is supported by all the pro-imperialist left, servant to the French Fifth Republic. By means of international solidarity we did pull him out of jail; the same solidarity that different currents of the international labor movement exerted when a visa was demanded for Abu Al Baraa from Argentina and Brazil. In the latter, the CONLUTAS Union Station had already organized a conference with its affiliates so that Abu Al-Baraa could be able to expose the truth about the struggle of the Syrian masses.

Abu Al-Baraa knew that the frontlines of the Syrian revolution were international. He came to South America to give lectures and to tell his truth to working-class organizations and rebel youth fighting bodies. Through our publishing house he had taken notice that members of the Syrian community abroad, especially in Spain and England, had begun to write books, brochures, articles, novels, denouncing the Syrian genocide and telling the truth about the Syrian revolution. When we see today scores of Syrian intellectuals and journalists writing in the diaspora and denouncing (as our Editorial does with its reports and articles from the same battlefield) the lies and the infamy that have been written about the Syrian revolution, everything is becoming clear... It is very clear now why Abu Al-Baraa could not receive a visa and leave Turkey. This would have allowed to establish a link, as today already it begins to be established, between the intelligentsia of the Syrian revolution in Europe and around the world and the fighters who give their lives for the victory of this revolution at the battle front.

The revolutionary vanguard of Latin America could not know or listen to this representative of a heroic youth that today continues dying and leaving their blood on the streets of Syria.

From Rudolph Klement Publishing House, we that met and could know Abu Al-Baraa, could also see in him what a great socialist revolutionary as León Trotsky commented with regard to the attitude of the youth that has rebelled when a revolution starts: "the generation that enters a revolution does not stop in its bout until they see it succeeding, even if that means leaving their blood along the road."

Our Publishing House will publish, because it has been exhausted, a second edition of the first volume of the book "Syria under fire", incorporating the events of the presentation of the book in the Argentina National Library in Buenos Aires in 2015 as well as various interviews to its authors, including Abu Al-Baraa, about ISIS as the "perfect enemy" and the experience and the tragedy of the Kurdish nation harshly punished in Turkey and used in Syria as a shock force by imperialism to break the military front against Assad.

The second volume of the book "Syria under fire-Operation massacre" is already being finished. Undoubtedly, Abu Al-Baraa's murder means culminating this work with an enormous anguish but also with the satisfaction of fighting for his voice and his truth to be made known.

Other currents that call themselves "Socialists", have ignored until today and looked the other way before the murder of our correspondent in Syria, as the FIT of Argentina and the parties that conform it, and also the self-proclaimed "anti-capitalist" currents in Europe, etc. All of them are hanging to the coattails of the "democratic bourgeoisies"; they refuse to recognize the Socialist workers that dispute the leadership of the war to the "businessmen" that only sought to control the revolution. These fake "socialists" hide their heads in the sand like an ostrich; they want to ignore the Socialists who die in the Syrian revolution. What exasperates them is that this revolution does not end. It is because every day that it lasts and every drop of blood that the revolutionaries spill over serves to dirty these fake socialist leaderships and shame-stain them in the forehead... The laws of history are and always will be stronger than any apparatuses, absentminded as they may pretend to be.

This Editorial has listened -and reflected the voice of Abu Al Baraa, and we are proud of it. We are facing a work of enormous magnitude around the Syrian issue. As much as the left servants of the bourgeoisie insist on it, even if they grumble against the walls, they can no longer deny the existence of a powerful Socialist vanguard in Syria, in Libya, one which is organized and gets up in Palestine, one who has broken and will continue breaking the siege in one of most plundered by imperialism regions of the planet, as are the routes of the oil of Maghreb and Middle East.

The pacifist and petty bourgeois left, full of salon intellectuals who speak of 'socialism' and 'revolution' on "holidays", seeks and will always seek to put the most distance between them and the thick of the fighting between revolution and counter-revolution in the hotspots on the planet. Their approaching to these would mean for them unmask and reveal what they are: real charlatans of the bourgeois regimes



and of their rubber-stamp parliaments. They are horrified at Syria's civil war. We Socialist not even think of prepend a revolver or rifle to an electoral process when the masses are carried to that deception and lie by the bourgeoisie, but on the other side we never carry a ballot box to the battlefield where it the fate of the relationship between the classes is decided in the heat of the civil war. "Fancy Socialists" - as the revolutionaries called reformists in the 19th century-, have turned out to be a few irredeemable parlamentarianist cretins.



Our commitment to the antiimperialist struggle of the masses will never end. Nobody can come and tell us lies, fables or deceptions on the Syrian question, nor on alleged virtues of bourgeois generals of the Sunni bourgeoisie, who came at the 11th hour to the field of it revolution for best controlling the masses that had already had broken Al Assad army long before.

Thanks to Abu Al Baraa and the fighters of the Leon Sedov Brigade, nobody may come to sell us epics of "libertarian communes" of the YPG and the sellouts of the Kurdish people, such as the Stalinists of the PKK. We have seen them. Our writers have fought great battles hand in hand with the Kurdish people. But they have also seen how the Kurdish people has been put at the foot of the generals of Assad, to crush the revolution besieging Aleppo, while in the "libertarian communes" of Rojava pay the same wages of misery that are paid in Damascus or Aleppo to the Syrian working class. Thanks to Abu Al Baraa and hundreds like him, nobody can come to us to sell us lies or deceptions. We affirm that the greatest US imperialists' airport there is in Rojava, guarded by the YPG.

We also aren't going to buy the telltale of ISIS, which was sent by both imperialism and Al - Assad to suppress and crush with an also semi-fascist method -the revolutionary masses of Raqqa, Deir-ez-Zor and the Sunni triangle in Iraq

Our book has not been written in bureaus, but amidst the very heat of the Syrian civil war. For this reason our publishing house is paying now a tribute to Abu Al-Baraa, co-author of the book "Syria under fire" and to all and every one of those who, their ideology notwithstanding, have fallen fighting against the murderous and genocidal Dog Bashar and Putin who are covered by the umbrella of US imperialism and NATO.

We have a very precious asset: a new book to edit that the authors wrote together with Abu Al Baraa before he fell on the battlefield.

As a first tribute, we attach -in a special edition of our Editorial-, articles that Abu Al-Baraa wrote from Turkey while waiting for his visa to enter Argentina and Brazil. These works were written late in 2015, between the last days of November and early December, and realize the tremendous polarization and the clash between revolution and counterrevolution that existed at that time in Syria. Then we attach the unpublished work of our friend and colleague, that will be part of the second volume of the book on Syria which we are to publish soon:

"From Syria to Istanbul...

From the heroic resistance to NATO's Turkey, following the route of the refugees...

#### **DIARY OF a SYRIAN WRITER"**

by Abu Al-Baraa, co-author of the book "Syria under fire", with the collaboration of journalist Leandro Hofstadter.

This material came out in the newspaper "The International Worker Organizer" N ° 14. It contains several articles of Abu Al Baraa and the statement he brought by the Leon Sedov Brigade signed by Abu Muad to make it known abroad, entitled: "Either we die of hunger or fight to live", November 7, 2015.

Also, articles on the life of Syrian refugees in Turkey, are part of this work by Abu Al Baraa. His experiences in Turkey and the sufferings of the masses in this country and in their attempts to reach Europe were also captured by this great revolutionary in these articles, which we make available to our readers from the Publisher Rudolph Klement.

> **LEANDRO HOFSTADTER EDITORIAL SOCIALISTA RUDOLPH KLEMENT** (RUDOLF KLEMENT SOCIALIST PUBLISHING HOUSE)

#### **MADRID - SPANISH STATE**

# RALLY IN ARGENTINA EMBASSY IN MADRID FOR THE ACQUITTAL OF THE SENTENCED OIL WORKERS OF LAS HERAS





# A SINGLE CLASS, THE SAME ENEMY, A SINGLE FIGHT! LONG LIVE THE INTERNATIONAL FIGHT OF THE WORKERS!

Today it was held in Madrid a rally outside the Argentinian Embassy. It was attended by delegations from Mothers Against Repression, CGT, CNT, Plataforma Sindical EMT (Union Plataform), Assembly VK for the General Strike, Cobas, Red Current, Platform for the Freedom of Alfon and the International Network for Freedom of political prisoners of the world.

There in the embassy it was presented a statement denouncing the trial mounted by the oil companies, the government and its justice against workers of Las Heras who rose up to fight against the income tax and job insecurity and were sentenced to life imprisonment and jail.

It was demanded the acquittal of the education workers and truckers of Tierra del Fuego and to drop all the charges to the more than 7,000 workers and prosecuted of the popular fighters.

The banner for the freedom of all the political prisoners and justice for our martyrs was present, because it is the same struggle around the world to take from the dungeons of imperialism and the various governments at all the governments and get

justice for our fallen comrades as Marikana miners - South Africa, Dario and Maxi (Argentina), for a live appearance of the 43 students in Ayotzinapa - Mexico.

We could only be outside the Embassy 19 people, others had to be in front of it because in the Spanish state of the dictatorship of the Bourbons it is necessary to ask permission to make a concentration of more than 20 people otherwise the government can impose fines up to 600 euros. While we were getting out of the embassy we were escorted by a police car and four policemen were watching us until we were 200 meters out of the embassy.

This is the "democracy" of the Bourbons, PP, PSOE and Podemos, persecution for workers and full freedom for thieves and corrupted politicians.

But we are not going to be scare ... from the Spanish State to Argentina ... A same class, one struggle!

INTERNATIONAL NETWORK FOR THE LIBERATION OF THE WORLD
POLITICAL PRISONERS AND JUSTICE TO OUR MARTYRS

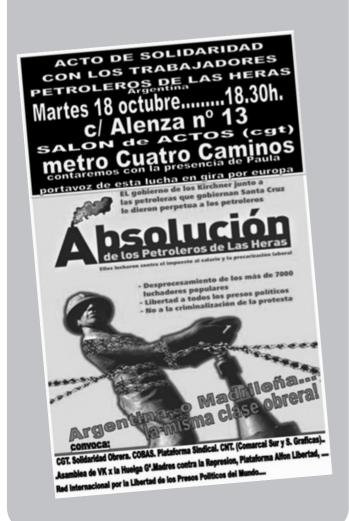
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#### **MADRID:**



A PUBLIC MEETING IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE CONDEMNED OIL WORKERS OF LAS HERAS was held in MADRID

It took place after the Public Meeting in Asturies with the presence of CGT, CNT, Plataforma Sindical EMT (Union Platform EMT), Asamblea de VK x la Huelga General (Assembly of VK for the General Strike), Madres contra la Represión (Mothers against Repression), Solidaridad Obrera (Worker's Solidarity), Cobas, Movimiento en apoyo al pueblo peruano (Movement in support to the Peruvian people) and Plataforma por la lilbertad de Alfon (Platform for the freedom of Alfon)



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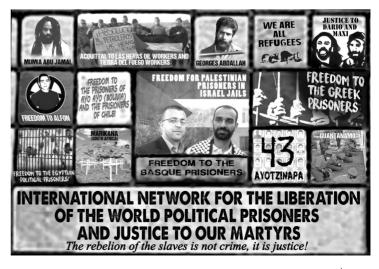


"PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE ACQUITTAL FOR LAS HERAS OIL WORKERS" Organized by Corriente Sindical de Izquierda de Asturias

FROM ASTURIAS TO ARGENTINA: A SINGLE ENEMY, A SINGLE CLASS!

Humberto Gonzalez, oil worker of Las Heras, condemned to life sentence to fight against the income tax and the outsorcing labour





#### **US ATTACKS IRAQ AGAIN**

bombing of Russian aviation. Stop lying! Here there is neither the third world war nor a great anti-terrorist operation. Here we are before an invasion like the one of Bush in 2003. 4000 men of ISIS, with their tunnels, explosives and snipers are being used by Obama as an excuse, the same as the "massive destruction weapons" of the "brutal terrorist dictatorial regime" of Saddam Hussein.

It is not a question of "war against ISIS" or displacing its 4000 remaining soldiers, according what USA says. If so, not many forces were needed or would not need so long. How its possible so many forces concentrated against ISIS were not able to easily defeat a poorly equipped force of 4000 men? If when they invaded Iraq in 2003 it took a little over a month throughout the country (not just a city) to get rid of Saddam Hussein's army that had more than a million men, more heavily armed and better positioned than what ISIS is in Mosul today.

Such is the case, that after the first day of operations, the Pentagon said that the coalition forces against ISIS advanced more than expected. On the third day, this statement was ratified by the Iraqi prime minister. They took many areas around Mosul. Virtu-

ally no resistance. People of ISIS were not there.

ISIS are just businessmen, sent by imperialism, they left growing beard, they adopted a radical and anti-imperialist Islamic discourse and taking their demagogy went with its armed guards to areas where the masses had revolted in 2014 (including Mosul) destroying the Iraqi Army and all state control with the purpose of controlling the masses. Once they took control of those great actions, they imposed their tight military control, implemented its "strict slamic law" ... all to care that the masses do not expropriate the property of the bourgeoisie and imperialism, mainly oil wells.

This was its role: being the counterrevolutionary stick of imperialism to guarantee the ownership of oil and defeat the masses uprisings from inside and they did it very well! In areas where the ISIS prevailed, both in Syria and in Iraq, no expropriation had taken place, oil wells remain intact, the oil continues flowing into the market, and masses uprisings did not advance to Baghdad or Damascus and those fronts against the central seat of power in those countries disappeared.

The ISIS prevented the uprisings of the exploited masses for bread in 2014 reached the capital and joined the masses who were suffering the same conditions in the south, who were Shiites. They were divided among themselves. The tragedy was that a few months later, the Shi'a uprisings also began in the south and reached Baghdad, carrying out huge battles, which were separated from their class brothers in Mosul and the Sunni triangle.

A few months ago, the Shiite masses of the south returned to break into areas of government buildings in Baghdad, fighting huge battles in the streets. US imperialism and the Iraqi bourgeoisie know they have to go all the way to smash all these uprisings before a generalized situation, as in 2014, could be reopened across Iraq and connect Syria and Middle East where revolution is still alive.

That's why attacks on Mosul are coming today. Imperialism comes to finish the job of ISIS, which was a great agent used by imperialism against Iraq uprisings in 2014 and the Syrian revolution, but it came to an end. US imperialism has to come with its Gurkhas to finish its work that is to retake direct control over its protectorate, at the moment when resistance against ISIS in that city seems to appear.

In front of a potential danger of a revolt of the masses against ISIS again like in 2014, US decides now to remove it. It considers that it fulfilled its role and its Gurkhas forces have to go to smash and control directly.

Businessmen of ISIS have already negotiated their retreat and their future participation in business, remembering that they are a legal political party that at least has 36 deputies in the Iraqi parliament. Thus, ISIS is preparing to do what it did in Palmyra (Syria), ie hand over the keys of Mosul as it did in the surrounding towns, this time to US imperialism through its Gurkhas forces, to control these areas directly. In any case, a few soldiers of ISIS remain in Mosul, while its business men have come into an agreement.

No doubt that if ISIS decides not to obey the order of its imperialist master, or intends to negotiate by themselves (as it seems to be doing it according what we see in the attacks in Kirkuk or the little resistance offered by some soldiers of ISIS),





imperialism will discipline them with bombs. But one thing is certain: for every shooting to ISIS, there will be 10,000 to the masses.

The role of ISIS is to control the masses. ISIS has to leave by the easy way or the bad way ..., so imperialism has better and more direct control.

Thus, what US forces are doing is a new counterrevolutionary coup, and no doubt that once they enter Mosul, they will impose a control and a regime a thousand times more fierce, brutal and savage than ISIS system. As it happened in Fallujah few months ago, where most of the people who were living in that city were arrested, tortured and killed, worse than ISIS did and under the guise of "suspected of terrorism" . Surely in Mosul for each soldier of ISIS arrested, they will torture and murder hundreds and thousands of exploited of that city under the pretext of "suspected terrorist of ISIS".

And they are carrying so many forces because they are not sure that this can be done so easily. They are afraid of facing a fierce resistance from

the masses in the city as it happened in Fallujah few months ago, or in 2003 after the US invasion, where they were "several months" trying to enter the city.

There is no "war against ISIS". There is a counter-revolutionary operating commanded by Obama to smash every remaining vestige of the revolutions in the Middle East and retake direct control of those areas of influence.

In Syria they have concentrated their forces. they are trying to smash Aleppo, which is besieged and massacred, with Putin and Assad doing the mucky work. They have to advance on rebel cities, and finish occuping the territory that ISIS is giving to US both in Syria and Iraq, to impose a direct US control.

Any discourse on the "war on terrorism of ISIS" is a pretext to justify this plan. All quackery that there are "ethnic conflicts" that there is a confrontation between Russia and US that would be leading to the third world war, is trying to hide the counterrevolution. How it can be they have a common command,

which coordinates their attacks, their operations, which are unified as they advance on the areas of ISIS, their armies never touch each other and they apologize the few cases where this has happened!

Here what we have is a counterrevolutionary attack against the huge uprising that occurs in 2011. In this war, you cannot be neutral, as it would be to cover up the counterrevolution and the slaughter. We must take the trench alongside the exploited masses of Syria, Iraq and throughout the Maghreb and Middle East.

¡For the insurrections of the Sunni Iraqi masses of 2014 again! For the military defeat of the US Gurkha forces in Mosul!

Let's break the siege of Aleppo! Let's stop the genocide in Syria! To stop the war, we must win it!

Syria, Iraq and the whole Middle East, the same revolution!

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## **US ATTACKS IRAQ AGAIN**

The operation of Gurkhas' forces and their US allies to seize Mosul

# Bush's coalition returns to attack Iraq as in 2003, this time under Obama's command

USA want to retake the full and direct domain of its protectorate, smashing the masses of Mosul who revolted in 2014, finishing the work of a withdrawing ISIS

ISIS, the perfect excuse for such counterrevolutionary attack

n October 17, the Pentagon announced "the final battle against ISIS to clear it out of Iraq." They say they will take Mosul, the largest and most important city under ISIS control in Iraq, where they are living now about 1 million people. To do so, the Iraqi armed forces went there with 50,000 men, 40,000 men of the Kurdish Peshmerga and 14,000 of Shiite bourgeoisie's paramilitary militias, American air forces, Turkish army (which has also joined with some battalions), England has sent some planes and officers, and France has also sent 500 soldiers

Despite this military inequality, Obama insists that this will be a "long operation" that "will take a long time" and will be "very complicated" because the ISIS "has put many explosive as traps" because "it has accurate snipers "and because ISIS people will be hiding and" they are moving in tunnels underground. " The truth is that they cannot even force the facts to justify their counterrevolutionary attack.

USA is coming up to take the full and direct control over its protectorate. And it does as in 2003, with a coalition under its command followed by the rest. US of Bush returned to Iraq, this time under the orders of Obama. They



are all together in the same offensive, with the US leading the way. It is the owner and who commands in its protectorate and who shares out.

The operation to get into Mosul is carrying out by Iraqi Army, which is funded, armed, trained and managed by Pentagon, It has 500 generals and officers, commanding directly the operations in Iraq. It is a true extension of the US Army and so, it is a US protectorate regime in Iraq. Shiite militias and Kurdish Peshmerga are the shock troops and cannon fodder of this Gurkha US coalition, as for example, in Fallujah nearly four months ago.

Thus we see how the lie of the alleged war between the US and Russia-Iran-Assad in Syria also collapses.

Some quacks even said that this could escalate to become the third world war. But today we see they are all together in Iraq "against ISIS". Because the Shiite paramilitary militias, which are linked directly with the Shiite bourgeoisie of Iranian Ayatollahs, have also sent troops to Syria to support Assad. They are among the forces that surround Aleppo today.

There are also Kurdish forces, declared by Putin as the great allies of Russia in Syria "against terrorism", which acted as true ground troops and counterrevolutionary shock troops under US command and went to invade the rebel areas in the northern suburbs of Aleppo, making the way through the