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THE WORLD IN “TRUMP’S ERA”

Before capitalist bankruptcy, with counterrevolutionary massacres in Maghreb and Middle East and hard blows against the world working class, with labour flexibilization and taking historic conquests away...

The imperialist pirates launch a counteroffensive over the exploited of the world

While they dispute the world market in a fierce commercial war



A plot of the union bureaucracies together with the “New Left” of Stalinists and renegades of Marxism prevent exploited from reaching victory

Let’s unify and centralize the struggle of the world working class to confront imperialism and its counterrevolutionary forces!

For the socialist revolution!

Let’s recover the Fourth International from the liquidators of Trotskyism who took it the mud of class collaboration and popular front

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Now, the US IMPERIALIST PIRATES DISGUISE WITH TRUMP

*-They seek to submit the US working class to new offensives against the world oppressed people
-USA, with more protectionism, seeks to keep its supremacy as ruling power*

Trump comes to end Obama's job, adjusting the US war plan to smash the world revolutionary points

The Billionaire Donald Trump has just won the US president's election. The whole reformist left currents of the world are repeating that Trump won "the vote against the establishment", as if he were not a man of the US imperialist monopolies. Ultimately, they are claiming that the establishment which supported Obama and tried to take Clinton to power is "progressive" and "democratic" and that a "counterrevolutionary ogre" won the election against it. It is not possible to listen to so much lie.

Trump, owner of a 60-floor tower with his name in New York, one of America's richest millionaires, does not fall from the sky. He comes from the sewer of the establishment of Wall Street, the US financial super-oligarchy, the same one Clinton comes from.

Trump is not only one of the richest imperialist bourgeois in United States. He owns construction companies with fabulous profits around the world, especially in 2003-2008 cycle with the Real estate bubble. He is known as one of the greatest American business tycoons. In all these years he has met with deputies, senators and even presidents to discuss his business and those of the imperialist gang he represents, among them the so-called "vulture funds" and other Wall Street parasites involved in the Real estate bubble, as it was seen with the outbreak of the mortgage crisis in 2008.

Can anyone really believe that in a Cesarist democracy as it is in USA a man who is independent of the imperialist gangs could rule United States and the world? If all the candidates and high officials of the state in order to reach their positions, they will race based on their positions in the directories of the US transnational companies. Trump is too... he's in directories and he owns businesses. It belongs to the American imperialist



bourgeoisie. He is part of the eight most important apples of Wall Street and the 1% of parasites that hogged 50% of the world's wealth.

How will Trump be the expression of an anti-establishment vote, if he named the president of the Republican Party as chief of staff and the entire establishment of the Democratic Party (such as Clinton and Obama) called to support his administration? Trump is not a "crazy man" or he came from nowhere... he is the heart of the establishment and as such he is the one who will lead the US plan of the imperialist monopolies for world domination.

**Trump turned out to be bolder than anyone else
He discover the new business to invest in the world market:
the US market itself**

Truly, Trump has turned out to be the most insightful of the US establishment barons. First, he discovered

-and this was not by chance, since he is a shareholder of a real estate monopoly- to the US domestic market (which is part of the world market) as a new niche for new investments. There the monopoly's profit rate can be reconstituted partly because the US infrastructure (roads, trains, buildings, etc.) they have been for 20 or 30 years with no investment. All these years, the great US transnational relocated their companies voraciously taking advantage of the slave labor of China and the rest of the semi-colonial world.

Nowadays, there are workers and highly qualified workers, so that Wall Mart, Hewlett Packard, General Motors and many other transnational companies reinstall their companies in the US domestic market so the US working class produce at Chinese costs. Or the other option is for those transnational companies can reinvest in India or other Asian countries, where the value of the labor force is well below the current Chinese values. The aim now is to colonize China, stay with its domestic market and its banks. This is what US voraciously needs and all the imperialist powers in bankruptcy.

Trump's protectionism: a real blackmail to break the customs borders of the imperialist powers who are competing in the semi-colonial world

Trump, the least isolationist of the US pirates

Trump comes to settle what Obama could not resolve in thousands of negotiations with his Atlantic and Pacific treaties. Against the claims of the left reformist, Trump is the least isolationist of US imperialist gangs. Trump does affirm is that without a forces balance, they cannot impose to Germany and the rest of imperialist Europe to force them to open up their markets, let alone transform China into a major importer of transnational corporations. Even less, they would not get the broken Chinese state-owned companies and their banks.

Trump, with its protectionist policy, comes to implement the plan of Obama with a great blackmail: threatening to close its economy and that the US who flood the world with cheap products, which blackmail not only as the largest debtor of the planet and possessor of all reserves, but also now, to finish making him pay the crisis to the world, raising the protective club of the market for the rest of the world to open.

The establishment's most cowed sectors doubt: "What if China sells US Treasuries, causing its price to fall?" Trump's gang states: "We are indebted to China, not creditors, we work with their money, we are strong, we rule the world, we do not do business with our money, but with theirs. And if they blackmail with the Treasuries,



2011, Movement Occupy Wall Street against 1% of imperialist pirates

we won't pay it. And if they want to isolate us, we have the dollar machine at home." The gangs of Wall Street and their boldest sectors fully take the path to maintain their dominion of the world.

Trump knows how to finish Obama's work and this is why he comes. Therefore, Obama himself and the entire "establishment" already state that Trump "should have a chance."

Trump comes to finish the counterrevolutionary plan of Obama to smash the world revolution focus.

US had to withdraw from Iraq because there was again the "Vietnam Syndrome." What does this mean? The ruling imperialist power lost fire power to invade directly places in the world. Why? Because the American people no longer wanted to die for the business of the imperialist gangs.

With Bush, from 2001, US went to new military adventures in the world. It took the oil routes at gunpoint and lashes, with the Chinese Mandarins, caused the slave labor of China to produce for its transnational companies. Huge financial and military industry was developed.

The result was the bursting of the Wall Street financial bubble. The US workers and people were starving and unemployed and the transnational corporations got super-profits.

The American people did not follow any longer these adventures led by Bush. In 2008, mass movements against the war began to stand up. Immigrants have stood up in the struggle, and the whole working class of the United States has been in a combat position. The response of US imperialism was to disguise itself as Obama, a smug Bush who "gave his hand to the world" and created the illusions that the working class could regain its conquests.

But Obama proved to be an empty-handed charlatan democrat. He only deepened the attack on the Amer-

ican working class and gave small alms to millions of workers who had been left to their own fate due to the crack of 2008. It was a cynical policy of imperialism and its establishment.

The US pirates put the burden of the crisis into the Europe of Maastricht, whose banks had been trapped in the Wall Street bubble, which were saved by putting the burden of the crisis to the European working class.

The Obama administration came essentially to soften the US crack and the revolutionary mass response that shook the planet in a desynchronized but wide-spread way, from Maghreb and Middle East to China, Europe and entered with great fights within USA.

Obama's was the ruling government and regime of the counterrevolutionary pacts. The Castro brothers, the World Social Forum, Chavism and the entire reformist left parties called Obama as their "president" as "their man in Washington". The symbol of this was that the

Castro brothers said bye bye to Obama by selling out Cuba to US and spreading their flag in Havana.

Obama, without firepower and direct intervention action, used all the imperialist agents to contain the revolutionary processes.

As we saw in Maghreb and Middle East, they first created democratic illusions facing the fall of governments and regimes and all the control counterrevolutionary devices of imperialism in the region, a process that had already begun after USA withdrew its troops from Iraq in 2008. Obama, supported by the entire social-imperialist left parties, distracted the masses with the talk of "democracy", while in the background he organized the worst counterrevolutionary coups as we saw in Bahrain, Egypt, and especially Syria. US imperialism moved all its agents, including the "evil axis" as the Iranian ayatollahs, so that together with Russia, they could



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THE SOCIAL IMPERIALIST LEFT CURRENTS, FRIENDS OF OBAMA, MUST ANSWER FOR SANDERS

Sanders had 24 million votes in the US primaries... 24 million votes from the rebel youth and workers. Those were votes against the establishment; for \$15 an hour; against the war; for the immigrants; against Obama and his slaughter against the black youth.

What did the "socialist" scammer do? He went to the Democratic convention and gave the votes to Clinton.

Those friends of Sanders... please do not hide! Show up!! This policy was to split and leave the US working class and Trump was born on the right side.

Before, four years ago, all the Stalinists and Bo-

livarian politicians called to vote for Obama "against the fascist Romney".. What happened next? Obama unleashed the war against the black youth and led the slaughter against the Syrian masses.

Let the curtain rise! Your faces, leftist, are seen. They were when Trump was born, selling out the struggle for socialism and revolution. Selling out the fight for socialism and revolution. It's simple: socialist USA!

You, "leftist", want the punished US workers believe that the only chance is to submit to the "democratic" executioner. Clinton and Trump both are from the same sewer of Wall Street bankers' regime.

all slaughtered the Syrian masses, where they concentrated all their forces to contain and smash the revolution throughout the region.

Obama, behind the scenes, with Putin controlled the Ukrainian revolutionary process while he stepped on Russia's border in Ukraine. At the same time he encouraged the biggest deception on the European revolution: the government of Morgan Bank of Tsipras and Syriza in Greece, who just said goodbye to Obama who in his last tour visited Athens before he leaves the Oval Room.

Obama didn't hesitate to make a pact with 11 countries in the Pacific to isolate China and warn it "USA is a power of the Pacific" that reached there to stayed, while he reinforced all its military bases, including those in Okinawa, Japan.

Now, Trump comes alter recreating illusions in the American white working class (after being brutally attacked by the US imperialist monopolies under Obama's command) that if it supports him while going to military adventures in the world, it will be better. This is the victory of the electoral trap of the Republicans, the Democrats and Trump in USA.

The US working class had broken away from Obama. It was entering to fight for a minimum wage of 15 dollars an hour, against war, in defense of the immigrants. That's why the establishment promoted its "left" men, i.e. the "socialist" Sanders, who was supported by the entire left servant of Wall Street and Castro brothers, at the same time they were claiming "socialism was not more possible not even in Cuba". This was a huge betrayal to the US working class.

The left servant of Wall Street cries about Trump's victory. But Sanders was the one playing the role of containing the working class that was breaking away from Obama's government and taking it back again to Clinton in the National Convention of the Democratic Party. The workers however didn't expect anything from the imperialist Democrats. So, broad layers of the US white working class were prisoners of Trump's demagoguery.

This is the key to the victory of the US imperialist pirates in the last elections. Therefore, we insist, everyone, from Clinton to Obama, say to give Trump a chance. He has recovered fire power to once again raise the baton of US direct intervention in the focuses of world revolution.



Sanders and Clinton

With Obama, USA couldn't directly intervene in Syria, where he supported Al Assad and Putin so they kill under his command. When Trump says "I want Muslims to be out of USA" he is really saying that USA will kill again the Muslim people with new direct military interventions if they don't surrender in Syria and the entire region.

When Trump says he is friends with Putin he means he comes to show crystal clear the true relationship Obama had with his hitman from Moscow that was previously hidden. Trump wants to use Putin for merciless killings, as he did in Syria, but in any other country in Eastern Europe or elsewhere, as long as USA (no France, no Germany) keeps for itself the business deal of selling high technology for the military industry of Russia.

In this new round of the world crisis which centre is China and BRICS, USA runs fully

No imperialism loses its ruling hegemony and character in a peaceful way. USA, with Trump, is preparing to make to pay, even to the competing imperialist powers, the full burden of the crisis. The world market has shrunk. Not only are the smaller powers in the red like the ones in the south of Europe, but also the big imperialist powers.

The dispute is already open for the Chinese and Russian market, by semi-colonizing them or colonizing them directly.

Trump's protectionism and threats of direct military action announce not an isolation of US, but it is willing to break, even by force, the world's customs barriers to stay with the entire world market.

So now the establishment has a new boss and is called Trump. This is how it intends to redefine the "Treaty of the Atlantic" and its policy in the Pacific. What

Obama tried to do by negotiating fares with Germany or making deals with the countries of the Pacific was to surround China, Trump comes to do it in a single movement: "open Europe, Russia for Wall Street and China for the US transnational companies that we conquered in the '75. Otherwise... we will launch commercial war"

The brutal attack on Mexico is that the US marks its "backyard" and its business on it. The semi-colonial native bourgeoisies places itself as they want them to be: on their knees. And these bourgeoisies have knelt, delivering the anti-imperialist struggle of the Latin American masses to Obama and Obama to Trump.

The last word has not been said yet

The Wall Street financial oligarchy and its shareholders have a new director and manager of their business around the world. The working class, yesterday with the World Social Forum and today with the left currents servant of Obama, who disguised as "democratic" the US establishment, is preparing to fight against Trump in the worst conditions.

The most advanced of the world revolution is slaughter and siege, as Syria and Donbass (Ukraine). The most militant of the European working class is submitted to governments and class collaboration parties as Syriza in Greece and the Podemos in the Spanish State.

The English working class, led by the Trade Union and treacherous "socialists" like the English SWP, has been tied to the fate of its own imperialist bourgeoisie, who anticipated this US imperialist policy by taking its hands from Europe with "Brexit" and being free to go to the Pacific and Atlantic with or without USA.

The tragedy of the European working class is that they are sought to be submitted to its own imperialist bourgeoisies, which attack them ruthlessly as the Fifth French Republic does with the workers of that country, and as Germany is preparing to do so, when day by day a new German bank is broken. The German working class must see itself in the mirror of the Greek working class ... As the American workers, due to the treacherous

leadership of the world proletariat, must see themselves in the mirror of the Chinese workers.

The most serious crisis for humanity is not that Trump took power. The biggest crisis in civilization is the over-accumulation of treacherous leadership that prevent the world working class from centralizing its forces, breaking ties with its enemies of the "democratic" imperialist bandits, without doing that it is impossible to fight against or defeat neither Trump nor none of the imperialist policies in the world. The crisis of the working class is the leadership paid by the capital which ties the different capitalist gangs in the planet.

The crisis of the working class is that there are many Cain and traitors like the Castro brothers who proclaim throughout the world that "socialism does not even is an option in Cuba." The white North American workers believe what Castro said and they are tied to the capitalist politicians as Sanders and Trump. This is the tragedy, a capitalist system in bankruptcy and seller out left currents that tells the exploited of the world that the maximum they can fight for is for the hope of Obama to return and "expand democracy".

That is the crisis of human civilization and the working class, the over-abundance of leadership that refuse to argue that here the question and the alternative are clear: socialism or war. Capitalism will only have a solution to its structural crisis with wars and fascism.... or the proletariat will have it fighting again for the socialist revolution.

The alternative of the moment: USA for imperialist pirates disguised as Trump looting and warring in the world, or the socialist USA, as a bastion of world revolution. Even if it does not like it to the reformists, educated for betraying revolutions... SOCIALIST UNITED STATES!

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Trump comes to clear that Putin is a hetman of USA making the dirty job for all the imperialist powers

Where is the war between USA and Russia that the reformist left currents claim to?

A brutal slaughter is developed over the Syrian masses. The bombings of Al Assad and Putin continue against the rebel Aleppo. In the last days, these bombings have been multiplied by thousands, not only on the siege neighborhoods of that city, but also on the rebel zones in the province of Aleppo and Idlib. Thousands die every day. They are workers, poor peasants, women, children... no big businessman or bourgeois millionaire is dying. They have already gone to seek shelter away from the bombing.



Trump and Putin

Such a slaughter the reformist left has called it “war between Russia and the US”; which would be escalating towards the “third world war”. For the left currents, there are no starved, besieged and slaughtered masses in Aleppo, there would only be U.S. land troops and “jihadists” backed by both US and Turkey who would be facing Bashar and Putin.

But US, Turkey, Russia and Al Assad all have troops and aviation in Syrian territory. They never fight against each other. Moreover, they share coordinates of their attacks and operations to be coordinated. What war between US and Russia are these reformist left currents talking about?

Even more, now in USA Trump has won the elections. He has openly stated that he comes to work together with Putin “against extremism in Syria”. Putin greeted and celebrated Trump’s triumph. Where was the so-called “war between the USA and Russia” that the left currents preached? Is Trump the peace messenger? Or is USA with Trump gave up Russia?

The truth is that there was no war between USA and Russia. In Syria there is a ruthless, counterrevolutionary slaughter to smash the rebel masses there in 2011 as part of the same revolution throughout Maghreb and Middle East in a chain of uprisings that broke the control of the bourgeois state in more than 60% of Syrian territory. Obama disguised as a friend, but in the backroom he commanded and let Assad and Putin slaughter the people. They were doing the dirty

work. But the defeat of the Syrian revolution could never be imposed.

Trump comes to finish the work of Obama. They have to smash the Syrian revolution and the entire Maghreb and Middle East. Even it is not out of the chances that USA has a more direct intervention, taking advantage of the fact that it has gained social base and will try this social base to support new adventures.

The friendship of Trump with Putin is because the first one wants to put the latter like its direct agent... Trump comes to show clearly the relationship with his hetman which Obama had already had it, through him to win the war smashing the masses, putting USA to his direct men in the government, removing to Assad or leaving it under his direct control, and in any case to leave Russia the military base that has like payment by its services of being executioner of the masses.

The US general staff has not defined how it will impose itself in Syria. But it is clear that it is coming to this and that it is ready to guarantee that the Geneva conferences, which have been organized since 2013 to massacre the Syrian masses, this time end up being overtly imposed with the US club directly. The world reformist left currents, with its lies and slanders that in Syria there was no revolution but a so-called war between USA and Russia, isolated the masses to allow such genocide. They were and are accomplices. There will not be forgetting or forgiveness!

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Intervention of the FLTI in the 55° International Anti War Assembly in Japan

After the defeats of the heroic revolutions of Maghreb and Middle East guaranteed by the treacherous leaderships of the working class

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While they dispute the world market in a fierce commercial war

**LET'S UNIFY AND CENTRALIZE THE FIGHT OF THE WORLD WORKING
CLASS TO CONFRONT IMPERIALISM AND ITS COUNTERREVOLUTIONARY
FORCES!**

OPEN THE ROAD TO MILITANT INTERNATIONALISM!

To the Zengakuren [Japanese Federation of
Self-Organized Student Associations]

To the Anti-War Youth Committee

To the Revolutionary Communist League of
Japan - Revolutionary Marxist Fraction (JRCL-
RMF)

expanding democracy. Reformism wants to sell a
venomous delusion to the workers, i.e., that there is a
youthful and flourishing capitalist system, while in fact
it is already decrepit and in a state of putrefaction; and in
a moment it expands not democracy but fascism and war.

Here and there, reformism tied the hands of the
working class so that it could not respond to the fierce war

Comrades,

We salute the 55th Anti-War Assembly,
which takes place at a crucial moment for
the world working class.

Reformism, Stalinism and renegades
of Marxism wanted to make the workers
believe that capitalism would emerge
from the global crack of 2008 without
attacking all the gains of the working class
decisively, without counterrevolutionary
coups and without wars. They announced
-as did social-imperialist currents such
as the French NPA, the Argentine PTS,
the English SWP and other renegades
of Marxism, along with Stalinism- that
imperialism dominated the planet by



Japan. Demonstration of Zengakuren

that the imperialist world capitalist system has been launching against the international working class since 2008.

From the FLTI / Collective for the re-Founding of the Fourth International, comrades, we then greet your Anti-War Assembly. **You are leading the battles of the Japanese workers against the anti-worker government of Abe, a partner of the US imperialism. You call for defeating the imperialist war machine. You have stated that your enemy is at home, while the workers and oppressed peoples of the world and the Pacific in particular are your allies;** the Japanese working class will find in them the decisive force, on condition of being able to unite their claims and combats against the imperialism, with the Chinese, Korean, Filipino, etc., workers.

We salute the struggle both of us waged together, on the same barricade of the exploited in the fights of the Maghreb and Middle East and Syria in particular, where we faced genocidal Bashar al-Assad, the massacres of assassin Putin and imperialism.

Together, we fought the labour aristocracies and bureaucracies of the trade unions and Stalinism, which in 2017, when the 100th anniversary of the victory of the October Revolution is to be celebrated, is still alive and still betraying and bringing cruel defeats to the world working class.

After 1989 and the final handout of the USSR to imperialism, the bourgeoisie protected Stalinist parties from all over the world so that, from the unions and the mass struggle organizations, they continue to fulfill their perfidious counterrevolutionary role of class collaboration. They held Stalinism as a counterrevolutionary force of capitalist restoration, as in Cuba, China, Vietnam, etc. For this, they counted with the help of the liquidators of the Fourth International, the renegades of Trotskyism. They, surrendering the program of revolutionary socialism, went openly into the field of Stalinism, renouncing the struggle for socialist revolution. So they became neo-Stalinists.

Comrades,

We participate in this Anti-War Assembly on the centenary of the heroic revolution of October, which demonstrated that the world proletariat could seize power and that its victory was only possible with the triumph of the world socialist revolution, or else any



Demonstration against G-20 summit in Hamburg, Germany

conquest would be lost.

That was what the internationalists of Kienthal and Zimmerwald, the revolutionary Marxists of the 20th century, claimed. We pay homage to those who 100 years ago pushed the proletariat to storm the heavens.

We denounce the traitors, the Stalinist scourge who sold out that huge conquest that the USSR meant. More than ever, we keep saying that the only immediate solution to the bankruptcy of the capitalist system, the unprecedented suffering of the exploited masses of the world, and the wars and genocides - which go on worsening in the twenty-first century - is the victory of the socialist revolution. Today, as in the past, in order to achieve this, we must help the international proletariat to get rid of Stalinism, the renegades of Marxism and all the workers' bureaucracies bought by the world capitalist system that, at every step, betray the workers and exploited masses' struggles and surrender all their achievements.

Let's fight together to recover the lost conquests. Our struggle will not cease until the socialist revolution triumphs internationally. This is our best tribute to the October Revolution and to the current struggles of the martyred world working class.

The Bolsheviks, taking power together with the internationalists of Europe, demonstrated how to defeat the imperialist wars and their own imperialist gangs and their counterrevolutionary offensives in the world. The war cry was "the enemy is at home" and they called on the working class to turn the rifle against its own executioners and to the victory of the socialist revolution. There is no other way out of the quagmire of crisis, barbarism, fascism and war to which this bankrupt system leads. The alternative today more than ever remains: socialism or barbarism.

That's why we shout together: Long live the October Revolution! Open the road to militant internationalism!

Comrades,

Today we see a new wave of 2008 global crack. Today a crack new tornado hits the BRICS, opening crisis, recession and stagnation that threaten to ruin Brazil, India, South Africa; and a crisis is already hitting Russia and China's doors.

The capitalist world market has narrowed. The capitalization of companies in the main stock exchanges in the world was reduced by 50%. International trade stagnated. International financial transactions contracted by 33%. The price of raw materials fell dramatically. As an example, the price of oil fell from 140 dollars a barrel in 2011 to 50 dollars at present. Imperialist banks are still accumulating junk bonds.

8 years after the Great Recession, let's see how this system could keep sustained. It has been thanks to the agents of Big Capital, who in the labour movement have dedicated themselves to undo every attempt of revolutionary mass offensive that since 2008 has hit the planet. Union bureaucracies and the social-imperialist parties have disorganized the offensive of the European working class, stabbing its vanguard in the back, as to the revolutions in Greece, Ukraine and the combats of the French working class. They subjected the working class of the old continent to imperialist Maastricht.

They supported the assassin Putin, who acts as a true gendarme on account of world capitalism throughout the Eurasian area.

In Latin America, the World Social Forum and Stalinism delivered Cuba to imperialism, surrendered the Colombian resistance and, with the farce of the "Bolivarian revolution", betrayed the revolutionary rise of the masses of that sub-continent.

Meanwhile, they had a pact with the butcher Obama,

that blackened Bush who was the great organizer behind scenes of the massacre of the masses in the Middle East and who led one of the biggest attacks on the American working class by taking away all their achievements. They supported the "leftist" Sanders, who deceived the American workers with his "socialist" verbiage and then he brought them to the feet of Clinton.

Comrades,

The greatest tragedy occurred when imperialism concentrated all its forces to stop this revolutionary offensive of the masses. This happened in Ukraine and Syria, where the revolutionary wave that started in 2011 in Tunisia was restrained and also the European upsurge that with the revolutionary events of Greece had threatened to expand to East Europe.

Today, the result of this policy is concentrated in martyred Syria and on the masses of the Middle East, as in Yemen, Morocco, Bahrain, Egypt and the same Palestinian masses massacred at close range.

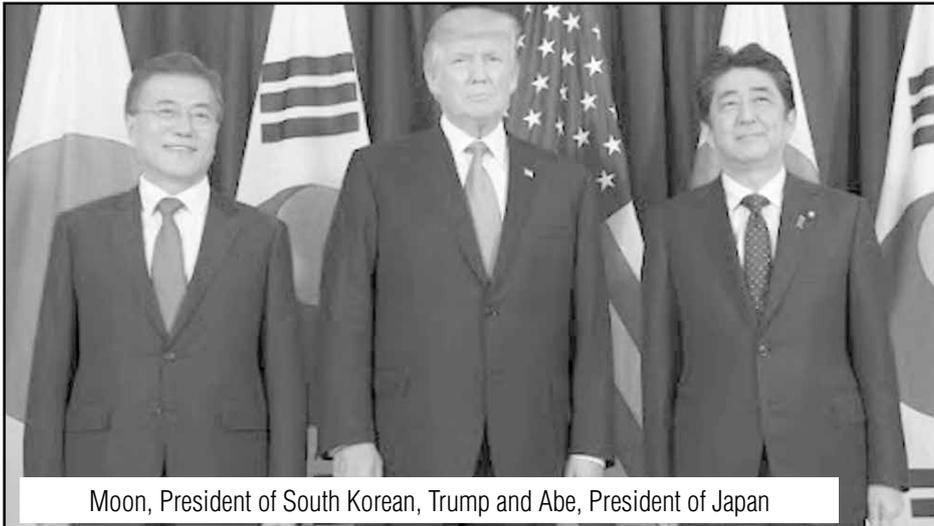
In Syria 600,000 exploited were killed in a cruel counterrevolutionary war. This is equivalent to two and a half times the destruction caused by the bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki (Japan) together at the end of the Second World War. Napalm and white phosphorus became daily visitors to crush a heroic mass revolution and to chastise all oppressed workers and peoples of the world there.

Syria was invaded and divided. Its revolution was bloodied, besieged and sold out from within by the cynical Sunni bourgeoisie at the Astana conference, which guarantees the survival of the genocidal regime of al-Assad.

This counterrevolutionary offensive was concealed on all five continents through the so-called "war on Islamic terrorism": a sinister policy of **the treacherous leaderships** and Stalinism in particular, which **depicted the fascist al-Assad, the counterrevolutionary hitman Putin and the slave-owning mandarins of China as the greatest allies of the world exploited.** All of them colluded in developing an Islamophobia that was the base of support that imperialism had for consummating its massacre all over the Middle East and continuing to steal the oil and the riches of that entire region.



Al Assad and Putin



Moon, President of South Korean, Trump and Abe, President of Japan

Comrades,

The different imperialist powers have managed to stop a revolutionary offensive and throw their crisis to the masses. Now an open dispute between them has started around the world market, which has gone down terribly. Capitalism goes on in a crisis. A brutal trade war has begun.

Imperialist Germany allied with no less imperialist France has climbed the Maastricht EU ship of and begun to openly dispute US over spheres of influence.

Imperialist Japan has been linked by thousands of ties to the USA pirates, together with whom it intends to completely dominate and control the Pacific area.

The Trump government has broken the pacts, such as the Atlantic and Pacific ones, with which Obama's US had tried to maintain its supremacy in world politics and economy. US pirates voted "US first" and broke trade agreements with Germany and Maastricht EU. They announced they will lead a commission of parliament to sanction all companies that trade with the US doing dumping. They closed the borders with Mexico from where Germany with its 2000 companies floods the US market. They deepened the embargo on the accounts of the Great Russian aristocracy and new oligarchy. This indicates that they are going to dispute Putin's agreement with Merkel that allows Germany to receive cheap gas directly from Russia without going through US-controlled Ukraine. The last US sanctions against Russia are about that, to prevent the completion of this NordStream 2 pipeline.

The crisis, the crack and the shrinking of the world market have already led to an open trade war that raises the following question: if the US is doing well, the imperialist Europe of Maastricht will do badly, and vice versa.

The "US First" policy also means that, in order to maintain its supremacy, the USA must lock in and kick the customs barriers all over the world and including its competitors'.

"US first" means that the US doubles its military budget and multiplies by thousands the production of destructive forces.

Trump has already projected an investment of \$ 700 billion for military spending, which is equivalent to two thirds of the total military budget of the 28 NATO countries together.

And the US imperialists have already begun to spend in advance. This investment in the military industrial apparatus - which adds up to the 280,000 million dollars for high-tech companies in ballistic research - explains the growth of 1.6% of the US economy in the last 3 years: That means war... the development of an economy for destruction.

Comrades,

The military and counterrevolutionary offensive of imperialism has already begun.

The battles that are being prepared for the control of the Pacific are not the first ones. We must speak clearly.

US bombings in 2017 in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Yemen, have increased by 50%, compared to previous years. The US dropped 15,000 high-destructive bombs on the planet in the first four months of this year. It has left nations massacred; not only Syria, but also Yemen...

The Hiroshima-Nagasaki catastrophe is here, with conventional weapons of even more destructive power than the nuclear bombs that were dropped at the end of the Second War in Japan.

And this is only a preview of what imperialism has prepared to get out of its crisis, if the world working class does not stop it.

Trump said that "there is no dominant power that does not win a war"... and it's been long years since the US imperialists cannot win one clean-cut because the workers of their country do not allow it, as they did not allow it in Vietnam in 1960s or Iraq in 2008. And yet, with the support of the treacherous leaders, creating a sinister Islamophobia campaign, they have begun to

lay the groundwork for the US return with its gunboats firing openly in the Middle East, as we see now in Raqqa and Deir ez-Zor in Syria and Mosul in Iraq, with the excuse of the “fight on terror”.

This huge imperialist victory is what today allows it to go to higher offensives in the Pacific and threatens to attack North Korea militarily. It has found a new “axis of evil”: Kim Jong-un’s counterrevolutionary gang. These would be the “new nuclear terrorists” ... the perfect excuse to prepare a large-scale military attack.

The military threat against North Korea is also part of a strategic offensive by the US and Japan to semi-colonize China. This time, imperialism’s plan in China is not only to break the latter’s customs barriers limiting US trade, but also its goal is to snatch all the state-owned companies that are profitable and supply the imperialist transnationals in that country. This is the imperialist plan that explains the enormous tension in the South China Sea.

If the US imperialists want to completely dominate the Pacific, they must reverse the defeat they suffered by the hands of the Korean masses in 1952. They must recover the land from the 38th parallel to China’s border and transform that peninsula into a large colony that could allow it to completely semi-colonizing or even dividing China.

At this point, this means that the US and Japan must compel China to force its ally Kim Jong-un to disarm and surrender. They must send men to its border with Korea. Trump has already made the Chinese mandarins responsible for any military action by Kim.

To this end, the United States –while placing its entire war arsenal in military operations on the Pacific- is negotiating harsh trade sanctions against North Korea, so to encircling it, and -by confiscating the north of the Peninsula- multiply the unseen sufferings of the North Korean people, subdued to a chronic famine in its interior. **In North Korea, a blockade of this type at this precise time IS A BEAT OF THE SAME OR EVEN GREATER EXTENT THAN A NUCLEAR BOMB, because this sanction and economic embargo comes at a time when in North Korea one of the worst droughts in its history is beginning to develop, perhaps one higher than which occurred at the end of the 1990s that cost 2 million dead.**

What are they all afraid of? An outbreak of the hungry, the slaves of North Korea, who could defeat the Kims, take their armaments, unite with the workers of South Korea and reopen the road of the Korean revolution that hits hard to the Chinese borders and arouses the Chinese working class.

The murderous autocracy of the Kims want to sustain themselves militarily by controlling the masses

and administering their business of smuggling arms and charging a commission for the slave labour in the prison-factories that this bourgeoisie has in the Kim FEZ on the border with South Korea and which produce for the transnationals. With their military threats and showing a minimum atomic and missile arsenal, they want to blackmail imperialism so it acknowledges their regime as gendarme of Korea. The Kims, belatedly, want that US acknowledge them as the counterrevolutionary guarantor of the stability in the region and being the ones who attack and discipline their working class (one of the most slashed and overexploited of the world). The Kims have been playing this role very well since Second World War.

But the counterrevolutionary offensive of Yankee imperialism gives no respite. Its strategists know perfectly well what is at stake in the region. They want to force Kim Jong-un to surrender, just as the Stalinist bureaucracy of the USSR surrendered, which had an arsenal of 6,000 nuclear warheads, and ended up as managers of the City Bank and smaller partners of Merkel/Basf/E.oN in the looting of Russia by Germany. They want Kim’s surrender, as happened with Chavezismo in Venezuela, with Lula and the PT in Brazil, or with the Iranian Ayatollahs, who acted as Gurkha-like troops of US imperialism against the Syrian revolution.

In order to increase its counterrevolutionary offensive on China and the definitive control of the Pacific Rim – an area concentrating 40% of world trade, mostly in the hands of the MNCs- the imperialist policy is to create direct agents of imperialism in Korea and throughout the region. This includes kicking the Kims’ gang, whether with invasion, sieges and blockades, or recreating a pro-Japanese fraction inside the North Korean army. All that has a single aim: imposing a favourable relationship of forces and proving that USA is THE power in the Pacific.

Though, imperialism does not have a free hand within the USA and Japan, since it has not yet conquered a mass support for large-scale counterrevolutionary actions. Neither a nuclear attack of the imperialist power would get support internationally.

But this does not mean -and we cannot rule out- imperialism seeking, through its economic, political and military offensive against North Korea, a change in the relationship of forces at international level.

For that reason, a leap in military, even nuclear, conflagrations in that region begins to be placed on the agenda in the new historical period of imperialist counter-offensive that is opening up.

Trump’s government has made responsible –and has threatened- not only China, but also Russia for

what the Kims' regime do. US imperialism's strategic offensive has that goal, which means disputing the Chinese and Russian markets to Germany and Maastrich Europe. Germany disputes those markets only commercially per now, and USA also militarily.

The world proletariat must pay great attention to the events and wars that are emerging in the Pacific. Perhaps the life of the present and the next generations of the proletariat depend on it.

No doubt the commercial war between the imperialist blocs that are forming, fighting for the world market, will end tomorrow like the vultures, pecking at the prey, that is, opening the way to the Third World War, which, if the proletariat does not prevent it, will begin as the second ended: with nuclear bombs.

Comrades,

This imperialist system must die! Before us it only develops famine, fascism and wars.

Meanwhile, this New Left of Syriza, Podemos, Stalinists and renegades of Trotskyism, has declared that their struggle is "to expand democracy". They are the heirs of counterrevolutionary politics centralized from Moscow in the last century; of the WSF that comes from burying the revolutionary processes of the last decades. They are the New Left that has formed a movement called "real democracy." Their vocal "anti-capitalist" -and in fact renegades of the struggle for socialism- have also been organized. These people have long since broken with the struggle for socialist revolution... but of new it has even given up talking about it. They hide in the bourgeois democracy that comes out of the same sewer as fascism and war: the world capitalist system.

Comrades,

The crushing of the Syrian revolution was what opened the possibility of a military attack concentrated in North Korea. It emboldened imperialism with its destructive power. It allowed it to gain confidence and launch a large-scale attack on the conquests of the world working class.



Marikana, 2014. Fight of the miners in South Africa

The defeats of the Middle East, the surrender of Cuba to imperialism, the European working class sold out struggles are what ultimately created the conditions for imperialism to fill the Pacific with blood.

Throughout this region the first task of the working class is to fight for the expulsion, dissolution and dismantling of all Japanese and US imperialist military bases in that region... from Japan to South Korea, from Chile to the Philippines, and expropriating and seizing all the assets of imperialism, its transnationals and its banks that sack the 15 countries of the Pacific Rim (China included).

The obligations of the Japanese workers, as you, brave revolutionary communists of Japan pose, is to disarm Japanese imperialism and expel US bases in that country; forge a strong unity with the American workers, who have in their hands the power to paralyze the largest counterrevolutionary war machine on the planet. That is the way to unify with the Chinese and Korean workers to destroy and demolish that infamous pact of the USA and Japan that enslaves the Pacific and the whole world.

The wars that are under way will only be stopped by the working class, if it is able to distinguish that behind the counterrevolutionary Fascist Kim government there is a working class, working as a slave in sweat-shops and rice fields, who desperately fight for surviving in the midst of a widespread famine that has begun.

Only the South Korean working class fighting against Moon Jae In's government, a lackey of imperialism in South Korea, united with their siblings in the North, will be able to defeat the gang of counterrevolutionary murderers of the Kim dynasty and conquer a unified, socialist and independent Korea.

If North Korea is defeated by imperialism the

workers of the Pacific and the world must know, they and the whole Peninsula will be subdued to sufferings and slavery a million times harder than those imposed by the Kims. An imperialist military and nuclear arsenal will be imposed there, a million times more destructive. In order to perceive the degree of barbarism and national backwardness that imperialism as a victorious force over the peoples it oppresses, we have to look at the oppressed nations invaded and smashed by the forces of counterrevolution and imperialism in the Middle East.

Only the working class of the Korean Peninsula and from all the countries in the Pacific, moving towards socialist revolution, can stop the wars that are on the works.

The war cry of workers in South and North Korea cannot be other than: **“one nation, one socialist Korea without transnationals, without the Kims, without foreign military bases, to guarantee bread and decent work for all and national independence”**. The Korean revolution will complete the task that Stalinism aborted in 1952; i.e. expelling US imperialism and its agents from the Korean Peninsula... throwing them out from the 38th parallel up to the sea. That is the only way to end all destructive adventure of the Pacific jackals.

Comrades,

The task of the moment is to regroup the ranks of the world proletariat to stop this counterrevolutionary offensive of imperialism.

The masses haven't given up. Neither the Syrian resistance nor the Palestinian masses let alone the US working class were removed from the scene.

In Latin America, the Bolivarian bourgeoisies fall apart on their knees, while selling out the nations of that sub continent to imperialism. This is made by Maduro in Venezuela, Castro selling out Cuba, Morales in Bolivia or Kirchner in Argentina. Now, imperialism comes to take it all and the working class fights, with heroic strikes as that of the miners and the teachers in Peru and Colombia, or the struggles of the workers in Argentina and the powerful Brazilian working class.

In the Black Africa, the workers movement once again rises claiming for justice for the mineworkers that worked in Anglo American mines that were murdered

on August 16th, 2012, in Marikana (South Africa).

Those shameless of the imperialist gangs and their henchmen of G20 gathered together in Hamburg have realized that they are very far away from settling their current partial victories. In there, the rebellious youth and the advanced workers of Europe reminded them -with the hell unleashed in Hamburg's streets- that the working class still stands and hasn't given up. Those who have given up were the treacherous leaderships. That fire of Hamburg's hell needs to be taken to every exploiter in the planet. In that fire, also the leaderships that betray the world working class must burn.

We must stop the massacres and genocides and the counterrevolutionary wars that are under way against the exploited of the whole world!

We must completely defeat Stalinism and its henchmen, the renegades of Marxism, who have saved the capitalist world system for now.

A conference and an international fighting front must be set up to break the siege and stop the massacre of the Syrian masses of Yemen, Egypt and the entire Middle East. An international conference and fighting front to unite and centralize the struggle of the world working class to stop all military aggression of imperialism and the counterrevolutionary forces against the working class of the Pacific.

The time has come for the unity of the internationalists to centralize their combat throughout the world. The time has come to disperse the forces of reformism, the traitors to the proletarian revolution. We cannot waste any more time.

Let us regroup the forces of international revolutionary Marxism! Let us defeat the stumbling blocks of Stalinism and the renegades of Marxism that prevent the victory of the working class and its fighting!

Fighting for the socialist revolution, let us defeat the bourgeois regime, imperialism and its wars!

For the working class to live, imperialism must die!

***COLLECTIVE FOR THE RE-FOUNDATION OF
THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL / FLTI***

The trade war between the imperialist powers begins and new social, economic and military convulsions are pre-announced

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The capitalist system deserves to die

Tump's announcement on tariffs for the imports of steel and aluminum in the United States shook politics and the world economy. A trade war has begun between the victorious imperialist powers of the year 2008, particularly between the United States and Germany.

However, on the contrary to what the imperialist press and the global left say, the increase in tariffs is not an isolationist measure of US imperialism. Wall Street banks and monopolies exploit the world market. Since the second post world war, its productive forces have crossed national borders. The US transnational companies are 50% of the world's transnational companies. These productive forces will never be able to close themselves again in their national market. The only "domestic market" of US imperialism is the world.

To affirm that Trump is isolationist, like the currents of the reformist left do, is to pretend to go back in time to the first half of the 20th century, and that the big American trusts and banks reduce their production and the volume of their capitals to the proportions of the American domestic market. This is an anti-Marxist brutality.

Trump needs to reserve the great North American market for his monopolies. But, far from it all, the tariff for the imports of steel is a defense of the interests of the banks and the confidence of the Americans in a world market that has been reduced, to make the competition to kneel down and maintain the ruling of US finance capital.

Trump's plan is not the "whim of a crazy man." It is to negotiate country by country to force the competitors to open their markets. "America first" means "if you want to continue selling in my market, pay or open yours." Thus US imperialism disputes the markets and spheres of influence. His last reserve is the war fleet and the 800 military bases around the world. Only the American working class prevents new military adventures, after the "Vietnam syndrome" in Iraq.

However, the imperialist bandits have a great agreement: to impose labour slavery on the working class. The fictional reproduction of capital that has characterized the recent 2015-2017 growth cycle cannot continue indefinitely. Capital must return to the productive process and for that it needs to impose conditions of worker slavery as in the nineteenth century. This is why the real masters of the world, the 8 families that own the superbanks such as Bank of Americas, JP Morgan,



Rothschild, Lazard, Mitsubishi; the ones that control the G20, the IMF, Davos, the big oil, minerals and food cartels, etc.... All of them aligned their governments and agents inside the workers movement and declared war on the working class.

They have in their favor the victories over the revolution in Syria and Ukraine, two very hard blows dealt to the world working class. The trade war comes hand in hand with the division of the working class and the emergence of social-chauvinism, promoted by the imperialist bourgeoisie and the treacherous leaderships. For that reason, Trump, demagoguery promises the return of the "American dream" to the American working aristocracy that Obama plunged.

But the working class, in spite of its leadership, is fighting in France, in Iran, in Argentina, in the last trenches of the revolution, with the international strike of working women of 8M, in the United States.

Huge social, economic and even military convulsions are coming. Syria begins to knock on the doors of the exploited of the world. In the midst of capitalist barbarism, the beginning of the trade war, the increase of military budgets, of Bonapartism and fascism, etc. The New Left parties of the Stalinists, of the renegade "anti-capitalists" of Trotskyism like the British SWP and the NPA, spread the poison of "real democracy", of the "democratization" of capitalism.

They are social-chauvinists, servants of their imperialist bourgeoisie and defenders of the exploitation of millions of colonial and semi-colonial slaves. The defense of "democracy" is a political crime of these empty-handed reformers. The capitalist system does not advance. As it was stated by the revolutionary Marxism, the working class has only two alternatives ahead: revolution or barbarism. The last word is not said. Death to imperialism! Open the road for the socialist revolution!•

ARGENTINA

1°MAY

Under the banner of the Fourth International

Internationalist homage to the Chicago Martyrs of today who die in Syria, Palestine and Yemen



**In the trenches of the exploited in the Syrian revolution
Against the bankers imperialism and capitalist regimes
Yesterday for the 8 hours ... today against the imperialist looting and labor flexibilization the chronic unemployment and labor slavery**

- ◆We have to coordinate the combats of the working class at international level
- ◆We have to hit the exploiters around the world in the same way they centralize their forces to attack all our gains.
- ◆We have to set foot on the chest of transnational companies and the imperialist bankers

We already fight in the whole world against the attack of the above as in the May Day of the 19th and 20th century.

On March 8, working women showed the way.

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We must unite our combats, we must prepare and organize a World General Strike!

FOR THE SOCIALIST REVOLUTION!**IT IS NECESSARY TO RECOVER THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL DRAGGED INTO THE MIRE OF CLASS COLLABORATION AND POPULAR FRONTS BY THE LIQUIDATORS OF TROTSKYISM****May Day in Argentina...**

After the steps of December 18 and 19, the Trotskyists of the LOI-CI, adherent of the FLTI, affirmed that before the brutal attack of the capitalists and Macri's Government, supported by all the bosses' politicians of the PJ and the Kirchnerists, the way out to face them and defeat them is in the streets. With the methods of struggle of the working class, with strikes, pickets and revolutionary general strike. That's what the exploiters deserve ...

They come for all of us. We must go for all of them!

Cristina and Macri, they left the poor people 250 billion dollars of external debt that the bosses and the military dictatorship acquired. In the last year, this debt increased by more than 60 billion dollars. Those on top produce flight of capital and those from below pay for it. The boss politicians and the left of the regime tell us that the solution is in the Parliament voting laws favorable to the workers. This is a lie and a great deception! In that bandit cave of the capitalists, nothing is resolved except to attack the people.

In Argentina everything is solved in the offices of the transnational corporations, the bankers, in the General Staff of the Intelligence Services and their corrupt judges.

Everything is solved in Wall Street and in the City of London!

In the Argentine colony, the workers and the people we do not decide anything.

This is the democracy of those on top. There will only

be democracy when a victorious revolution takes the power!

The Trotskyists we affirm that everything else is a vile deception to the workers. ARGENTINA WILL BE SOCIALIST OR A WALL STREET COLONY!

Do not let them to steal our fight and impose the betrayal of the union bureaucracy! For a new regrouping of the workers' ranks to retake the path of the December in a centralized way!

Hundreds of comrades workers and young people we have gathered on this May Day to honor the Chicago Martyrs of today, who die in Syria and the Middle East.

Delegations of metalworkers, construction workers, tire workers, seamstresses' guilds, teachers and students, immigrant workers, the "Paso a la Mujer Trabajadora" movement, we met this May 1 to pay homage to the martyrs of the Syrian revolution who are the Chicago Martyrs of today.

Throughout the world and in Argentina, the working class does not need a May Day to be one more anniversary before the murders of the Martyrs of Chicago. The first of May is a day of struggle where the working class discusses, debates and prepares the combats that are planned to advance and open the road to victory against the capitalists and the exploiters.

Therefore, we met to hold a Workers' Assembly with the aim of discussing how to fight to unite



Syria

the ranks of the working class and to set up the Revolutionary General Staff. Against what the reformers say to justify their betrayals, the masses have done nothing but put all their energy during these years to face the brutal conditions of suffering and exploitation, while imperialism has done nothing but throw upon our backs all the costs of the crack and the crisis.

This homage was crossed by a very serious situation for our class, since a counterrevolutionary offensive that seeks to finish defeating the Syrian revolution is deepened. And as we have said, we see how the capitalist crisis is thrown to the masses in a ruthless attack, seeking to impose on the working class, fierce plans for labor flexibilization, in equal or worse conditions than those of the 19th century

Since the crack of 2008 it has become clear that “there are too many imperialist powers and that many of them are ruined, while the markets shrink, the winning imperialist powers, starting with Wall Street, are the ones that have thrown the crisis of their banks against their own working classes and the world.

On this day, it was demonstrated that the crisis of revolutionary leadership of the proletariat is becoming more acute day by day and that there is no way out for the current situation than the struggle for the triumph of the socialist revolution. Imperialist barbarism is already here, where the rubble of a demolished Syria is no more than the perfect radiograph of this decadent system that deserves to perish.

This demonstrates at the same time the enormous delay in the victory of our class, product of the superabundance of treacherous directions that, at every step, dissolve what the masses conquer in their combat.

The symbolic acts carried out by the Left Front and Left in the front line to Socialism (Izquierda al Frente) in the Plaza de Mayo and Congress, where they talked about “fighting for socialism” in general, have not been more than rickety acts. May Day is not their day. There are neither elections, nor electoral acts right now. Just a couple of thousands surrounded their stands because they have long ceased to excite the working class to unite and coordinate their struggles.

We Trotskyists consider ourselves international

organizers of our working class in Argentina. We fight for recovering the militant internationalism when every May Day found the Argentine working class in the front line of the world proletariat, at the end of the XIX and XX centuries

The FLTI carried out an international and combative act. We were and we are engaged in the strike of the Hwange miners, we are together with the comrades of Marikana, with the nurses and workers of South Africa who are leading a huge general strike against the ANC and its Stalinist supporters of the Communist Party. We fight with the flag of the Syrian revolution along with the miners and the factory workers who are fighting to recover the COB from the hands of the MAS bureaucracy that has subjected that workers union central to the sepyo government of Evo Morales, a direct agent of Wall Street.

That is why we were in this tribute, standing next to the French working class, where the masses fight to open the Paris Commune that crushes the V French Republic, if not there is no solution, not only for the French working class, but from all over Europe. Much less there will be a solution for the workers of the former Workers' States, where the old bureaucracy that became into bourgeoisie does nothing but super-exploit the working class of those countries, on behalf of imperialism, imposing a real lesson against the workers who dared to take power in the 20th century.

We fought this May Day along with the Russian workers who revolt against Tsar Putin in the streets of Moscow and in entire cities of that country, becoming a great ally of the exploited who fight in the last trench of Syria. Along with them, the Iranian masses have also risen, facing the theocracy servant of imperialism. These are our fighting trenches this May Day, which is a single combat in the black martyred Africa, of the masses of Haiti and Brazil.

In this worker' and revolutionary assembly, different comrades developed crucial points about the current tasks of the world working class. In this sense, the socialist leader of the LCT of Venezuela intervened, denouncing that the Bolivarians who, after expropriating our Latin American revolution, are leaving history selling out Cuba to imperialism and imposing with hunger and bullets all the plans of the IMF and the G20 , in the same way or worse

than Macri, Piñera, etc. We see the Bolivarian Lula surrender to the caste of judges and imperialism, before calling the working class to fight from the CUT and all the trade union centers of Brazil. It is evident that, as the comrade of the LCT said, that Lula will never face the government of Temer, with whom Dilma shared power for years. The CUT bureaucracy, as organizers and managers of the bourgeoisie's business for years, is much more afraid of the working class than the bourgeoisie, because they know very well that when the working class stands up, it will not distinguish the foreign exploiters of the locals, who are as exploitative as the outsiders, will clash head-on with their judges and the officers caste, servants of imperialism. They know that this amounts to awakening a colossus, the most numerous and concentrated proletariat of the subcontinent, which would face not only Temer and his government, but also all the boss politicians of the Parliament of the exploiters, who attacked the conquests of the masses not only now, but always, by voting laws favorable to imperialism.

We feel part, we fight and call on the Argentine workers to continue the path of a new 18 and 19 December, but this time organized and centralized. In that sense, Fernando Legarreta, delegate of Siderar, dismissed by the bosses and Brunelli's bureaucracy, argued that in Argentina and in the world the working class is already fighting internationally as it was a tradition on May 1st, but it does not have the leadership ahead that it deserves in order to triumph. That is why he said that it is necessary to face the policy of those who submitted us to the union bureaucracy, which in those days was hidden under the bed; against those who took us to subordinate us to Moyano and the CTA bureaucracy on February 21 to put the working class at the feet of the PJ and the Kirchnerism, allowing the enormous forces deployed by the workers to stand still, leaving the government and the bosses the hands free to deepen their attack on our conquests.

In the events of the two FIT, the struggle of the



French working class was greeted, but in Argentina they lead the majority of the universities, while 15 universities are taken in France. What does the leftist administrator of the bourgeois university expect to take all the universities in Support of the Sorbonne and the Universities of Paris?

They are neither internationalists, nor socialists, nor the sons of the Cordobazo and the French May. It is the infamous left of the arch-reactionary Constitution of 1853-1994. They demonstrated this when the Congress burned down on December 14 and 18 and they asked for a "Popular Referendum". They were more afraid of the fire that surrounded that bandits cave of the parliament than the exploiters themselves who sat next to them in the compound. Then they devoted themselves to theorizing like court jesters about the struggle between the "palace and democracy" at a time when a huge struggle of the working class against the exploiters was unleashed.

At the same time, every conscious worker can see that in the FIT and IFS Acts, the fight for the freedom of political prisoners was not the central task. For these currents, talking about the struggle for their freedom are nothing more than empty slogans. They do not call for any kind of effective action to get the comrades out of the filthy prisons of the capitalist regimes. It was then raised in the tribute we made, as an urgent need, to fight for the freedom of all political prisoners in the world, for the acquittal of the oil workers of Las Heras, for the freedom of Facundo Jones Huala and for ending the persecution to all workers and popular fighters and that this fight is inseparable from doing justice for Santiago Maldonado, Rafael Nahuel, Kostequi

and Santillán and all our martyrs. For this reason, Martín, from the International Network for the Freedom of Political Prisoners proposed to fight in all workers' and militant organizations to conquer a Freedom Movement of all political prisoners in Argentina and the world.

The working woman could not be absent in this tribute. They are the ones who resist in Syria and defend their children in the last trench and who suffer along with their family in refugee camps at the borders. They sent from Idlib, a greeting to the Syrian socialist newspaper *The Truth of the Oppressed* and saying that this tool is the voice of the free women of Syria. For this reason, Sofía, representative of the "Paso a la Mujer Trabajadora" movement, made a special mention for compañera Hanade, who is the companion of our leader Abu Al Baraa who fell in Syria defending the revolution, since she is the best representative and delegate of the socialists and our movement. He then called to deepen the combative movement of women, the path of the international strike of the exploited women on March 8 that rose to the cry of "if our lives are not worth, that they produce without us" and "What they call love is unpaid work. The comrade said that to continue the fight on March 8 the working class must have the same audacity and the same courage as the working woman in a world general strike. That is what is needed, a general strike to expropriate 1% of parasites, to defeat the governments and regimes of the world that impose savage decrees and laws of flexibilization. We must return to that path, the path of the general strike and militant internationalism. This road today seeks to be closed by the union bureaucracy and the reformist leaderships of the working class that in Argentina have brought the just demand of the right to abortion to the bourgeois Parliament, to make women believe that this demand and the conditions of misery and suffering, will be solved there with laws and not in a centralized combat against this rotten decadent system throughout the world.

Ramón "Chúcaro" Ferreyra, worker leader of the LOI-CI denounced, with just reason, the acts of the left that refuse to lift the fight against the tyranny of Al Assad and do not call to overthrow him. This amounts to not posing the fight because Videla

or Pinochet fall in Latin America, or not to fight against the dictatorship of Franco in Spain or Hitler in Germany. In those acts, Al Assad applauded and Trump smiled, since for years these currents have covered up this brutal massacre against the exploited, an issue that has left them with a disgraceful stain on their foreheads.

Against them, Comrade Ramón called to fight to recover the militant internationalism. As an anecdote to illustrate this tradition, he mentioned the example of a German worker in the 1930s that sabotaged a bomb so that it would not explode when the Nazis unloaded it on the Basque Country during the Spanish Civil War. For years, that bomb remained deactivated in the town square. When the inhabitants of that town dared to disarm it, they found in the detonation mechanism a note, which prevented the explosive from detonating and that said: "Greetings from a German worker who does not kill workers"

The honorary presidency of this tribute were comrade Abu Al Baraa and the martyrs who fell in the Syrian revolution, the members of the Leon Sedov Brigade and the newspaper of the Syrian Socialists, *The Truth of the Oppressed*, who are fighting in the trench of the revolution sent us a direct greeting: "A greeting from Syria to all who are present in this International Workers' Day; a greeting to our workers brothers at international level, to those workers that we are a single fist in this fight in which we are. To the revolutionaries who fight for the revolution, to the organizations that are fighting together for the revolution. Thanks to all the workers who are in this fight, thanks to all the brothers who are there in Argentina, to all the free in the world. Let's continue fighting together"

They also sent their greetings to this tribute, the Marxists of the JRCL-RMF of Japan and the Zengakuren youth, with whom we have been fighting for years on both sides of the planet (see message).

It was a day of internationalist fervor of the militants of the Fourth International that we could see that the masses do nothing but generate steam to make the boiler of the revolution work. But to that steam, with hundreds of revolutionary situations

and revolutions opened 30 years after the delivery of the workers states, it lacks the “piston” for the boiler to work, that is, it lacks a revolutionary leadership.

But we are facing a tragedy: all the currents that spoke in the name of the Fourth International went over to the side of the enemy and today they are supporting bourgeois governments and politicians. This was reported by Abu Muhajer of the Syrian socialist newspaper *The Truth of the Oppressed*, stating that on the left there are two sectors in the Syrian revolution. On the one hand there are those who support Al Assad and on the other those who asked the US for weapons and who supported the ESL generals, who today have proved to be the best generals of Al Assad selling out the revolution from within.

This shows that the crisis of the revolutionary leadership of the proletariat has exacerbated and it has been greatly aggravated, which is nothing more than the over accumulation of treacherous leaderships. Speaking on behalf of the Fourth International, they used their flags to support Al Assad, a self-confessed murderer. They are these same currents that have used the flags of the Fourth International to enter as “anti-capitalists” the Podemos in Spain and Syriza in Greece.

Comrade David Soria, a Trotskyist worker dismissed from the meat processing plant Paty, denounced that there are other currents, such as the NPA and the LIT, which organize more than 80 unions around the world and claim to be “internationalists”, but in fact they only propose to coordinate the actions of the working class, making a teleconference by Skype every 2 months to carry the “statistics of the struggles”, which are nothing but the statistics of the defeats of our class. These currents have disappointed and have led to the impotence the world workers movement, since after meeting in January this year at the meeting of the International Trade Union Network of Solidarity and Struggle (RISSL) have not called for



Leon Sedov Brigade

any effective action of solidarity with the martyred Syrian people, much less to conquer a centralized action to face labor flexibilization. That is why Comrade David called then to retake the true tradition of the internationalist combat the Martyrs of Chicago showed 120 years ago, since today it becomes vital to carry out centralized actions at the international level against the labor flexibilization imposing by Wall Street.

They show that they coordinate in huge meetings worldwide, in the so-called meetings of the WSF, the “International anti-capitalist Conferences”, but calling for a decisive battle in common, never. The facts speak for themselves. There is a fight against labor flexibilization in France, in South Africa, in Brazil, in Colombia and throughout Europe. In Argentina, the attack on salary and flexibilization is already brutal but they do not fight in common with the workers of Brazil to coordinate a common fight against Temer and Macri. Any “internationalist” struggle of this left of the bourgeois regime subordinated to the parliament and infamous judges, is only a call to defend Lula, that “Judas”, the organizer of transnational businesses in Latin America.

In this tribute, comrade Carlos Munzer, leader of the FLTI, said that thousands of workers and young people of the vanguard are asking themselves: “How can it be that the left supports the fascist Al Assad?”

Can they be so cruel and traitorous? Thousands of workers and young people in the world have in their memory that many of these currents that were hidden yesterday under the name of Trotskyism today are “anti-capitalist” militants of the New Left and no longer proclaim even the struggle for socialism. Fidel Castro already taught them that “the struggle for socialism no longer works even in Cuba.”

But, returning to the question, it became clear that supporting a dictatorship of terror, assassination of workers and peasants in the Middle East, is nothing different from what was done in the 20th century and what goes on in the 21st century by treacherous leaderships sold to the big capital.

This is not strange, since imperialism is still upheld, not by the power of its armies or its intrinsic strength as a system, but because it has bought sectors of the upper strata of its enemy class, the labor aristocracy and bureaucracy, since the early twentieth century when the gangs of the Trusts and Cartels magnates were disputed and divided the plundering of the semi colonial world, shooting out, in the First and Second World War, as they will do again if the proletariat does not prevent it.

Is that the world crash is already here and there are plenty of imperialist powers and the attack on workers is already brutal. It is not surprising then that in this monumental capitalist crisis, the reformist left plays its entire role to defend them. To do so, their bosses pay them, let them be in their parliaments, give them positions in their unions, give them legality, funds and crumbs.

So you should not miss Al Assad's support. Already the social democracy in 1914, when the First World War broke out, they called each to support their own imperialist Power. As did the English Labor Party defending the interests of the monarchy and the City of London, or the French Socialist Party supporting its own imperialism; as did the German Social Democracy voting the war credits that allowed this imperialist bourgeoisie to arm itself to the teeth. They pushed the working class to kill each other.

Why are your followers not going to support Al Assad who massacres thousands of poor workers and peasants in Syria? We have already seen Stalinism assassinate hundreds of thousands of revolutionary workers, consolidating the treacherous Stalinist bureaucracy of the Communist Party of the USSR and expropriating the revolution of revolutionary

soviets. Stalinism killed the best of the Soviet working class and 99% of the leadership of the Bolshevik Party that led the October revolution. How are they not going to join Al Assad to massacre the proletarian revolution?

The renegades of Trotskyism in the Syrian revolution have shown that they are useful. Some begging for imperialism to free the peoples of the semi-colonial world that enter into revolutionary actions, which constitutes a cruel deception, where their executioners are passed off as allies, while there are others directly supporting Al Assad.

In the Syrian revolution the enormous crisis of the leadership of the masses is demonstrated, that is, the superabundance of treacherous leaderships

But the real tragedy is that in that mud and blood they sold out the Fourth International flags. The struggle to recover them was a challenge for those of us who met on May 1st. There is no more important task than that.

When the social democracies went to the camp of the enemy 1914, the internationalists quickly gathered in Kienthall and Zimmerwald and drew together the threads to give continuity to the Marxism, calling to turn the rifle and transform the imperialist war into class war, to led to the triumph the socialist revolution, as it happened in Russia.

When Stalinism usurped the Soviets with blood, persecution and shots against the worldwide and Soviet proletariat, Trotskyism, the Soviet Bolshevik faction, regrouped its forces and in the resistance, in the black night of the 1930s, it advanced to found the international IV.

Its founders when World War II approached already predicted that the program of the Fourth International would enter like compact force to the war. This was not the case. Our world party, under the responsibility of its leaders, especially the North American SWP, dissolved the General Staff, the “Kienthal and Zimmerwald”, which had emerged with the founding of the Fourth International; meanwhile, Stalinism sold out the Third International to “democratic” imperialism, founding the UN in '43, at the Tehran Conference.

They were two deadly blows to the militant internationalism of the working class, betrayal of which we have not yet been able to get out and it is the greatest tragedy that weighs on the workers of the world, since, by liquidating militant

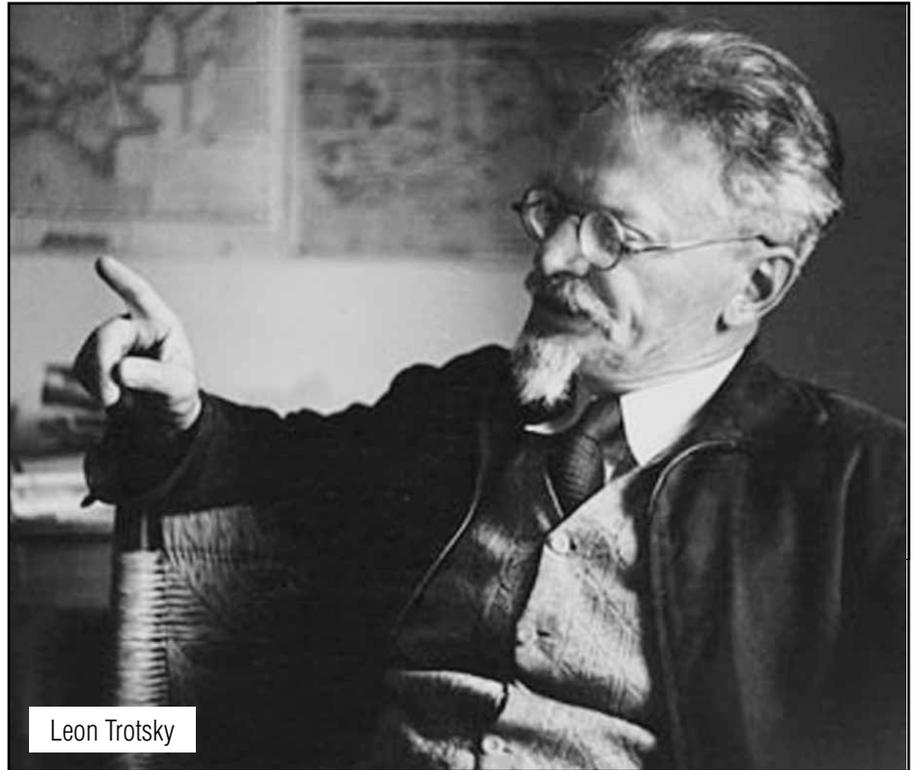
internationalism, they have the working class subjugated to their respective bourgeoisies in each country.

Yesterday with the World Social Forum and today with the New Left they promise “generous democracy” and we only receive blood, attack our conquests, fascism and wars like those we see today in the Maghreb and the Middle East.

They announce centuries of prosperity when what is coming is the capitalist catastrophe. And to intervene in that catastrophe, reformism no longer has recipes and its lies fall down day by day and the program of the revolutionaries is the one that speaks the language of the IV International. Sooner rather than later, if we set up an internationalist nucleus, the banners of militant internationalism and socialist revolution will reach the masses.

The battlefield has been filled with debris, as shown in Syria. They are nothing more than the debris left by the WSF and today it also imposes the New Left and the union bureaucracy of all shapes and sizes. The flags of the Fourth International are stained. Today, more than ever, we must refound the Fourth International, recovering it from the hands of those who have taken it to the mud of class collaboration and at the foot of Stalinism! We must regroup the internationalist forces of the revolutionaries in the world! This is the great struggle that we propose. Because the working class does nothing but open prerevolutionary situations, revolutionary situations, open revolutions like Madagascar, in Kyrgyzstan, in Latin America at the beginning of the 21st century, as in Greece, Spain, in the deep proletariat of the USA and Europe, like the enormous chain of revolutions of the Maghreb and the Middle East, etc. and a thousand and one times the leaderships disarm what the working class conquers in its combat.

The PTS of Argentina and its leadership is still wondering how to build a revolutionary party at a time that they consider is not revolutionary. This



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seems incredible because they do not even take care of their forms to beautify this rotten system, which threatens to plunge the whole civilization into barbarism.

Rather they would have to ask themselves how much time they have left so that, in the current bankruptcy conditions of the capitalist system, they can continue poisoning the working class.

On behalf of the FLTI at our event in Argentina, It was made an appeal: “We want to tell the vanguard workers that we want them to come to our world party, the Fourth International. No Trotskyist who vindicates the combat of the Fourth International can be a minute longer in those “anti-capitalist” parties declared enemies of the socialist revolution. No Bolshevik-Leninist can be a minute longer in those parties of parliamentary and syndicalist cretinism. No revolutionary can stay another day in the parties that look the other way when millions of workers and peasants are massacred and refugees in concentration camps in the tormented Syria. No serious worker with a class conscience can believe that 90% of the population of Syria die, suffer and are martyred by one ‘side’, and that ‘side’, is the same as that one of Al Assad, supported by Putin and the ancient Iranian Theocracy.

No young or vanguard worker can confuse the heroic Syrian revolution and the masses who give their lives against Al Assad with the scoundrels of the Sunni leadership who have in front of them, who disarm them and sell them out at every step to the fascist Al Assad. Not distinguishing the working class in the Syrian revolution from the scoundrels of the FSA who were engaged in doing business with the genocide Al Assad, is a foolishness that cannot be missed. All the workers distinguish the Argentinean working class in Argentina that fights hard against the capitalists, the leadership of the union bureaucracy or the manipulation of the bourgeois parties like the Peronism and the Kirchnerism. We distinguish the Bolivarian bourgeoisie, swindler and expropriator of the Latin American revolution, of the working class that was and is the true protagonist. We distinguish the American working class even though it votes to the Democratic Party. How can we not distinguish the working class from its leadership, which strangles its struggle at every step? Rather they would have to ask themselves how much time they have left so that, in the current bankruptcy conditions of the capitalist system, they can continue poisoning the working class.

The Trotskyists of the FLTI in this May Day tribute say: Here we are those who seek to destroy capitalism! Here we are the ones who fight for the dictatorship of the proletariat and we are not afraid to say it! How can one be anti-capitalist and deny the struggle for the dictatorship of the proletariat? Let all the young people and workers who claim to be socialists see how the struggle for the dictatorship of the proletariat in their programs has disappeared in those acts of the FIT and the “anti-capitalists”!

They should make them feel ashamed when in their speeches the bourgeoisie asks them: What system does he defend? And the boldest speak of a “superior regime”. The bourgeoisie imposes its fierce dictatorship of 1% of parasites to 99% of the planet, stealing and plundering. It is necessary to retake the fight and the combat of 99% of the workers and exploited masse of the world to impose those scoundrels of imperialist bandits who, with wars and sufferings, they are taking civilization to the edge of barbarism. We, the Trotskyists do affirm that we fight for the dictatorship of the proletariat against a minority that

imposes the fiercest dictatorship. We are not equal to the capitalists and our executioners in the factories, in the fields and establishment that we work. There is neither “equality” nor “democracy” in general.

We must unmask those who speak of democracy when what is preparing is the sabers of the generals and the fiercest dictatorships!

We are conquering a hard May Day for the working class, which has not surrendered at all, despite the fact that its leaders want to impose their surrender every day. That’s what our battles are about, because we fight for the working class conquers the direction it deserves to succeed.

Here we are the ones who fight for the socialist revolution under the banner of the Fourth International!

We reaffirm, as the Transition Program of 1938 says: “The Fourth International, already today, is deservedly hated by the Stalinists, Social Democrats, bourgeois liberals and fascists. There is not and there cannot be a place for it in any of the Popular Fronts. It uncompromisingly gives battle to all political groupings tied to the apron-strings of the bourgeoisie. Its task is the abolition of capitalism’s domination. Its aim: socialism. Its method: the proletarian revolution”.



WORKERS' ASSEMBLY TO FIGHT AGAINST IMPERIALISM AND THE CAPITALISTS

SPEECHES AND SALUTES

Fernando Legarreta, shop steward of Siderar, dismissed by the bosses and Brunelli's union bureaucracy

"In Argentina, we are on the path of May 1, trying to open another revolution in the combats of December 18 and 19. Those who came together in the Plaza de Mayo and the Congress want us to draw reformist lessons from what we did and raise a policy of 'defense of democracy' "

I am a Trotskyist metallurgical worker. We come to pay a tribute. We come to pay homage to the new Martyrs of Chicago, who are the Syrian workers and their enormous combat, today massacred in a true genocide provoked by imperialism, Assad, Putin, the UN, Turkey and vilely left alone by all the leaderships of the world working class.

We came to pay tribute in particular to our fellow Trotskyists, because we have the honour of having comrades fighting with the Syrian masses, 19 comrades have fallen with the Syrian workers and exploited; they are the comrades of the Leon Sedov Brigade.

We come to pay homage to the Syrian masses and all the workers of the Maghreb and Middle East as the Palestinian comrades.

From the steel mills in Argentina, we feel we are part of these enormous combats. The working class today does follow May Day, which is the battle we see today in the world.

The tradition of May Day is the path followed by the world working class. But if we cannot fight all together and united as in the 19th Century, it is because the treacherous leaderships do not allow us. Because the French workers are fighting, in South Africa there was a general strike, the miners of Zimbabwe are fighting, the American workers put a limit on Trump and face the fascist gangs that are trying to set up in the US.

We saw huge struggles of the working class in these months: the Colombian miners, the oil workers and the teachers of the CNTE of Mexico, the Peruvian teachers, the struggle of the Brazilian workers against the flexibilization. The workers of the world do fight and we follow the path of the workers of May Day.

But the imperialist bourgeoisie learned about it. Beyond executing and massacring our comrades, they learned that they have to divide us and buy the leaders of the working class so that we never fight together in two countries.

And in Argentina too, but the reformist leaderships of the workers' movement want us to forget. The Argentine workers walked the path of May Day last December 18 and 19. I am encouraged to say that we were about to open a 2001 back, and they want us to forget. With the cry



of, "Everybody out nobody left", we made a phenomenal independent mass action. It was a huge revolutionary day. We were 100 meters away from setting fire to the exploiters' Parliament.

We held an enormous battle in Argentina, as part of the huge battles of the Latin American working class, as part of the workers of Tunisia, of Iran, etc.

But not only do they want us to forget it by preventing unity. They want us to draw reformist lessons from what we did and lift a "defense of democracy" policy.

We broke with the union bureaucracy on December 18 and 19. For the reformist left "to break with the union bureaucracy" is to win elections in the unions under the statutes of the union bureaucracy and the Ministry of Labour. For them, what we did is not to break with the union bureaucracy. We made a general strike, actions in the streets, we faced the forces of repression of the bourgeois state spontaneously. Nobody prepared this, nobody called it; actually we passed over to all the leaderships of the working movement. Obviously, the triumvirate bureaucracy was hidden in their houses. We saw Caló running when he heard the first roar.

We walk the path of May 1 trying to open another revolution. Today there are all the rallies of the left in the squares, I was going to say "talking about socialism", but less and less they talk about socialism. Because to make socialism you have to make a revolution, if not, how do you make

“socialism”? How do we make it if we do not make a revolution, if we do not join the workers with the poor peasants and the exploited of the popular sectors?

And in Argentina it was posed the question of opening the revolution again and it was not the program of the left that today holds rallies in the square. That is the tragedy that the workers have. Because who are we facing? Macri? Yes, but also to the four most important banks of Wall Street, the IMF and imperialism. That is what we faced when they wanted to pass the Pension and Labour Reform. We confront imperialism and nobody says it.

We as metallurgical workers, we feel part of the Latin American and world working class and we even went to seek unity with the workers of Brazil to fight together, to make a continental General Strike. And the workers of Conlutas voted for it raising their hands, at least in the places where we proposed it. Unfortunately, the leadership of that Trade Union did not do it. And today we are fighting again separated from our class siblings, the metal workers and the workers in general of Brazil.

But the workers have fought in Argentina. After 18 and 19 December we remain in a rebellion state until today.

But today we all see that the bourgeoisie, imperialism and Macri are on the offensive; there are increases of taxes, dismissals everywhere, factory close, and they started with the Labour Reform months ago, even though they want to vote it in Parliament, they started factory by factory, with salary caps.

The “combative” Palazzo ended up fixing for 15%, where are the opponents? With the Peronist bourgeois front preparing the elections of 2019 and arranging for 15% to leave all workers with wages of misery.

There have been huge struggles of the Argentine working class since December 18/19: the miners of El Turbio, the metallurgical factories such as Stokl, INTI, Posadas, teachers, etc., etc.

The left devoted itself to putting all these forces at the feet of the bourgeois opposition front that emerged on February 21st. That is the tragedy we have in Argentina, which is not autochthonous, this is done all over the world by treacherous and reformist leaders.

We saw it in France three years ago when the workers started to fight. The left-wing policy of “strengthening democracy” was not invented by FIT, the smaller FIT, or all the reformists in Argentina. We saw the NPA go to the factories in France, when the workers shouted “Long live the Commune”, these leaders said in the assemblies that they had to fight for a “more social and democratic European Union”. That is exactly what the leaderships are proposing here today, what the NPA does in France, the SWP in England, what Syriza does in Greece, today it is raised here.

We were in the combat of Dec. 18 and 19 facing the repression of the bourgeois state and the capitalists and we were 180 degrees of what the leadership of the labour movement did that day. FIT leaders were in the Parliament. Del Pla and Del Caño said that it was necessary to “vote a popular consultation to see if the workers want or not the Law of Pension Reform”. This was said when we were fac-

ing repression and even the base of those organizations also broke with those leaders and confronted the police.

And we continued fighting after that in innumerable struggles. I want to tell you an anecdote, now there has been a struggle of Cargill's workers for three months in Villa Gobernador Gálvez. Today FIT, apart from doing the rally in Buenos Aires, a delegation is going to do a rally for “socialism” in general and three months ago they did not step on 100 meters from Villa Gobernador Gálvez. But why were not they before? Because fighting for socialism means coordinating the struggles, face the bureaucracy. Because FIT is with the leadership of the Vegetable Oil Union; and the oil workers who got the biggest salary increase last year with that huge struggle three years ago, today they are suffering a ruthless attack of all the soybean transnational, because the leadership of the union took them to the bourgeois front who opposes Macri.

They made a plenary meeting of the entire leadership of the Union and Kiciloff spoke; also “Pollo” Sobrero participated. All the Peronism called to “vote well in 2019”. And the FIT was there.

That is the tragedy that the workers have. To face the imperialist attack we need to resume the path of December 18 and 19 in Argentina, organize it and take it forward, which is what the reformist left does not want to do. Because to tell the truth, one sector of the bureaucracy is passing the attack –namely the Triumvirate– and the other called openly on workers to vote for Peronism in 2019.

They are the ones who are holding us back so that we do not return to the path of 18 and 19 here. Because we can do it, coordinating the 25 factories and establishments that fight in Argentina, kicking out the bureaucracy with which we already broke, calling the general strike and leaving Macri, all the bosses' politicians, the IMF and the G20, to stop the increase of taxes, labour flexibility and salary caps. We can do it, because how long have the miners of Turbio been fighting alone and the workers of Cargill?

In Rosario, a metal worker killed himself. Caló already has another body. He committed suicide because he was kicked out, the factory closed, the last tyre factory in Argentina, Metrowheels. It closed and the comrade could not stand it and committed suicide. What did the bureaucracy do? He sent condolences to the family, they are a bunch of bastards.

But the workers already know what they are, all the metalworkers broke with Caló. Here the problem is not the workers, but the leaderships. We broke up with Caló 2 years ago.

But the whole left is saying that, “we have to trust the opponents of Caló.” They take us to the dead end, because those “opponents” went to Mar del Plata and voted “full rights to Caló to negotiate the Collective Bargains” that are being delivered today.

The point is drawing these lessons, to make this reflection. We propose that in this Workers' Assembly. Because we gave enormous struggles, but what we have to move forward, to know who our friends and allies are and to know what is the program that leads us to the victory.

DECLARATION OF OPEN THE WAY TO THE WORKING WOMAN BEFORE MAY 1 AND THE FIGHT OF WOMEN OF THE WORLD

From the movement Open the Way to the Working Woman on this day of international struggle, we pay tribute to the Syrian revolutionary socialists, and to the mothers, sisters, women and daughters of the martyrs of that revolution. Especially to our colleague Hanade, who heads our movement, she is the best representative and delegate of all socialist women of Open the Way to the Working Woman. Hanade was the companion of our socialist leader Abu Al Baraa assassinated in Syria to defend the revolution, being in charge of his two small daughters, who are also our daughters.

We pay homage to the heroic women of the Syrian resistance, who embrace their children and fight for the triumph of their revolution until the last breath. They were the ones who left the tunnels in Ghouta, where they were refugees to avoid their children and what was left of the resistance to be killed by the bombings of Al Assad and Putin, with the skies liberated by Yankee imperialism.

Those women comrades of Ghouta came out and said "Where are the young people, where are they? Come here; let all the brigades come to defend us! We are here; we are the women of the resistance! This is our land!" "These are our children! Come, let's unite, we have to throw the regime down!" They not only called the rebellious brigades of Syria but called on the entire world working class, all the feminists of the world to defend them and open all those fronts to prevent the regime from entering Ghouta; they said: "If the regime comes in, it is going to kill us and rape all of us, each one of the women and children who are here."

We pay homage to the Syrian women crammed into real concentration camps, such as the refugee camps on the borders, where they and their children are raped in exchange for a crust of bread by those true terrorists of the UN, those pirates imperialists to which many leftist parties demand that they give solution to the hardships of the Syrian masses, while through their Islamophobia accusing the masses that fight for the revolution to be terrorists. Scoundrels! The UN, the Wall Street pirates



The Committee of Women in Struggle of the Hwange miners in Zimbabwe that have been carrying out a strike for more than three months for the increase and payment of the salaries owed to them by the AngloAmerican, the same transnational that murdered Marikana's comrades, for which their 34 widows continue to cry out for justice.

are the real terrorists.

For us, working women are the most advanced in the combat of the class struggle, they are the vanguard of their international fight; they sometimes are not seen, but when the bombs begin to fall, and their children die, they are in the front line of combat, as are the women of the Syrian resistance, who resist and keep the revolution alive with their Kalashnikov and their children in their arms.

These women have been the struggle flag of our movement for years.

While the Islamophobic left wanted us to believe that the only "progressive in the region" and the most advanced of the struggle against the oppression of women were the YPG militias, today, we see how these same currents keep a resounding silence in the face of the YPG's sell-out and betrayal of their own people, while they were shooting the Syrian resistance in the back.

That is why the flag that we took to the massive strike and international mobilization on the day of the working women, of the Syrian comrades and against their genocides, that said "Long live the women of the Syrian resistance! Al Assad-Putin-Trump the biggest murderers of women in the world!"; was cheered by thousands in the streets of Buenos Aires because the thousands of women fighting for their rights, against their oppressors know well who suffers and who does not in the Syrian revolution.

Standing next to the Black working class! Standing next to the black women of Zimbabwe and Marikana!

The Women's Committee is camped at the doors of the mine shaft, together with their colleagues since more than three months ago. They sing "The 200 Rands they offer do not let us make the ends meet." As those transnationals that take away the riches of the entire Africa want that the working class that extracts all the riches of the world, that are living in huts in the worst conditions, that have their children barefoot, who do not even have the possibility of giving them water every day, to stay satisfied with crumbs. These are the women of Zimbabwe and the women of Syria, who for us are the most advanced of the working women who fight for their rights and for their liberation.

On March 8, the women of the world told these imperialists, the capitalists and all the oppressors that "if they have no borders to exploit us and massacre us, the working women will not either". That's how they fought on May Day, how the martyrs of Chicago fought, how people fought for the freedom of political prisoners. The working women of the world are the advanced detachment to put militant internationalism back on its feet.

Both in Argentina and the world, marches, demonstrations and pickets were held. We fought for an international strike, and we told the world that our work is worth it. That work that the capitalists call "Love", is a worthy work. It is unpaid work, it is a job that serves the capitalists and that nobody pays for or recognizes to us, and that is why our lives matter, and if on the contrary our lives are not worthy, try producing without us. This is what they want the Argentine workers to forget, that the working women of the world go out to fight for all our rights.

They were actually mass mobilizations; to give just a few examples, in Peru they sang "Working women do not exploit"; in Spain they performed a strike and marched singing "A la Huelga" (Let's Strike!) the fighting song of the Spanish civil war in a feminist version, to the cry of "if a worker woman is dismissed, the boss will be hanged", and "we strike to change everything", among other slogans. It was historic. They want us to forget we gave this fight, just when today before the brutal attack with labor flexibilization launched to the workers of India, Zimbabwe, Brazil, Argentina, France, etc..., the 8 of March and its internationalist fight by the women has marked the way to confront that attack, placing a milestone of struggle for the entire world working class.

This May 1 any "internationalist" rally or meeting that does not pose that this is the way, is betraying the struggle that millions of working women starred on the last March 8.

We in Argentina also went out to fight; it was one of the countries where the mobilization and the picketing were the greatest. That is why Macri's arch-reactionary government quickly came out to say that the debate on the decriminalization of abortion should be opened, one of the motive demands of the women's movement. They want to lie to and convince us that now they are "good" and so they are going to stop detaining us for aborting. They have to do this because of the huge fight we gave internationally and because of the revolutionary general strike of December 18 and 19 that we played alongside our class as a whole. That is why they are forced to open this debate to legitimize that den of bandits in the parliament that comes from voting the looting of our retirees.

They want to transform that struggle we gave, and the years in which we have been striving for our rights, in a struggle that only gets the decriminalization of abortion. But we not only want the legalization of abortion, we also want working women to stop dying due to it. We want legal, free, safe and quality abortion so that women workers really stop dying, and that the state, the capitalists and the employer put the money to guarantee it. Now we want everything! We do not want crumbs, nor will we allow them to steal our fight, because we know that if they give us the minimum right not to go to prison for an abortion, it will be because of the enormous combat that we engaged in internationally and because together with the whole of our class we gave a hard blow to the (Argentinian) parliament and the regime as a whole on last December 18 and 19.

At the proposal of the Open the Way for the Working Woman, our entire organization took it upon itself to promote an international fight fund for the comrades of the women's committee of the Hwange miners, so that their struggle will be strengthened and their children will be able to eat since their husbands have more than three months without being paid their wages.

We call on all the organizations and comrades that fight for the rights of working women in Argentina and in the world to set up an International Support Committee for Women in the Syrian Resistance and their revolution, so that in each of our mobilizations pickets and protests the fight against the biggest murderers of women in the world -Al Assad-Putin-Trump and all their agents- is present; so that we can hear the cry of those who no longer have a voice: "that the regime of the imperialist oppressors who super exploit and plunder us fall", and so that in each fight against them "the fronts are opened" to break the siege to the Syrian revolution and to the women who resist in their last trenches,

Long live the internationalist fight of working women! May every day be March 8!

Ramón “Chúcaro” Ferreyra from the leadership of LOI-CI

***“Here we are the ones who wants to destroy the capitalist system!
Here we are the ones who wants the proletariat dictatorship,
the ones who wants socialism!”***

I wanted to start, telling you an anecdote. Today, the left, tells us that workers have no class consciousness, that they do not want to fight, that they only vote for the bosses.

And that’s why I want to tell you this that speaks just the opposite, about the courage of the workers. During the Spanish revolution Hitler, as part of the aid to his partner Franco in Spain, bombed some cities, as he did in different towns of the Basque country. There a bomb fell in the square, and it did not explode. That bomb remained in the square for several years. Franco did not removed it either because it was left as a lesson for all the workers: “did you want Republic?, I leave the bomb.” Until one morning, a young man tired of that bomb, began to disarm it. At noon others joined, and by afternoon the whole town was disarming the bomb. They opened it and it was written in German, a young man who knew the language read it and said “Greetings from a German worker who does not kill workers”.

That German worker was risked his life under the Nazi regime in Germany to not be the manpower of a regime that killed workers. That is an example of what our class does, which is 180 ° from the currents which destroy the proletarian internationalism.

I wanted to start by commenting on this, because it seems to me that it is something very significant at this moment, because of the situation in which we find ourselves.

It is no coincidence that the left today gathers around the world to defend this rotten system. It is not casual; it is paid people to do it, and faithful disciples of Kautsky and other traitors of the working class.

Here we are those who want to be the opposite, those who want to destroy the capitalist system! Here we are those who want the dictatorship of the proletariat, those of us who want socialism!

Today in Plaza de Mayo, the slogan with which he calls that reformist left is “for the freedom of Lula” and “against Yankee imperialism in Syria.” In other words, they are with Al Assad, that butcher who has killed more than 600,000 Syrian exploited, and has expelled 15 million from their homes and their land. That left does acts in the Brazilian embassy for the freedom of Lula, and did not anything for the Syrian masses, nor the Palestinian masses, or for any of



the workers who are being attacked by imperialism in the world.

That Left goes to the Brazilian embassy and makes demonstrations for the freedom of Lula, and did not move a finger for the Syrian masses, nor the Palestinian masses, nor for any of the workers who are being attacked by imperialism in the world.

We are here, comrades, we want to destroy this system, because it is them or us. We go directly to the barbarism if this continues. And the problem today is the leadership crisis; because it is no casual that the continuity of proletarian internationalism has been lost. There were concrete policies, of Stalinism agreeing with the imperialist and capitalist governments to deliver the workers. And today they are continuity of those who say themselves Trotskyists, also those who took the IV International down that road.

I want to finish reading, from the Transition Program, the final part, where Trotsky states: “*The Fourth International, already today, is deservedly hated by the Stalinists, Social Democrats, bourgeois liberals and fascists. There is not and there cannot be a place for it in any of the Popular Fronts. It uncompromisingly gives battle to all political groupings tied to the apron-strings of the bourgeoisie. Its task is the abolition of capitalism’s domination. Its aim: socialism. Its method: the proletarian revolution*”

Therefore, today more than ever, comrades, the task is to refound the Fourth International. Long live the IV International, comrades!

David Soria, worker dismissed of Paty and leader of LOI-CI

“We need to take the example of the Martyrs of Chicago, which means reinstating unified actions, actions of international struggle, recover the militant internationalism”

“We have to open the gates that these treacherous leaderships use to prevent the unification of the working class “

Greetings on this May Day to all workers confronting labour flexibility, like workers in France, teachers in the US, in South Africa, Zimbabwe, Brazil, or on December 18th and 19th in this country.

The martyrs of Chicago, 120 years ago, showed us with their actions, that example of struggle, which was a world coordination day. They fought for 8 hours shifts, abolishing child labour, against night work for women. In order to break with that, the bankers, the national bourgeoisies, the bosses acted together because they knew that, executing the Martyrs of Chicago, they would break the unity and coordination that was being conquered.

Today we are running the same risk, where they come for all our conquests. For that they need to destroy our organizations, and against that there must be unity. There are plenty of examples; every day there is a struggle of the working class to face them. We see the workers in South Africa fighting with a general strike against ANC and the black bourgeoisie. We see the same today in the struggle of the miners and workers of Zimbabwe, or in the US the movement for \$ 15 an hour. Workers and youth fight against labour flexibility in Brazil and France and here on December 18 and 19. The problem to solve is conquering unity and coordination in those examples.

Today it is happening with the Syrian masses, with their revolution. When they marched on the highways of Europe, European bosses and imperialism said, “We have to do something”. And they did, that’s why we see so much fury against the Syrian masses that have been massacred for seven years. Because there they want to teach a lesson to the whole working class of the world: they must live as the bourgeoisie wants; bourgeoisie wants them to live as in the 19th century. That is why they attack all our conquests.

There is an example. A couple of months ago, there was a trade union meeting in Europe, where LIT, CONLUTAS, Solidaires –which is led by French NPA- participated. There they also talked of “unity”, but they actually built barriers, because the majority of the working class fights outside the unions.



How did they say they were going to coordinate and unite the struggles? They voted every two months to have a Skype conference to number the struggles around the world, namely defeat them.

That’s why we need to take the example of the martyrs of Chicago, which is to put back the unified action, the action of international struggle, recover the militant internationalism.

Today there will be many events in Argentina on May Day. There they will talk, as in the holidays, of “socialism” and tomorrow they will keep doing the same. They will condemn us to fight workplace by workplace, sector by sector, country by country.

We need to recover what the martyrs of Chicago did, an international day of struggle to unite and coordinate the working class. For that we have to open the gates of these treacherous leaderships and unify the working class. Otherwise this system will take us to barbarism.

Why do I emphasize on these leaderships? They are the ones that lead trade unions. They lead the unions in France, in Greece; in Argentina they also lead unions, branches. They are the ones who divide us. But we need to unite the working class as the Martyrs of Chicago did 120 years ago. A day of struggle, unity and coordination to fight internationally. Recover what we have been robbed, which is militant internationalism.

Martin, member of the International Network for the Freedom of Political Prisoners of the World and Justice for Our Martyrs

“Let’s call from all the combative workers and student organizations to set up a Movement for the freedom of all political prisoners”

From Las Heras, we visited Facundo Jones Huala last week ago at the maximum security prison in Esquel. Those of us who gather today on May Day, not only will commemorate and honour the martyrs of yesterday and today, but we believe we must conquer and strengthen a trench for comrades who are imprisoned by the states and regimes around the world. Because capitalism has turned the world into a dirty prison. And for us it is a task of honour -and an obligation- of everyone who fights for the interests of the working class must fight for the freedom of all comrades that the capitalists have as hostages...

And we learned from the comrades in Chicago. The comrades in Chicago were falsely accused of throwing a bomb and killing seven policemen. The comrades were in the dock as speakers of a rally fighting for 8 hours. To those eight comrades, who were members of the picket line organized -with the workers of the world- the struggle for 8 hours and better working conditions, in their case in Chicago. They were falsely accused them and took them to the gallows where they were condemned to death, to teach a lesson to the whole working class. This is what we learned in Las Heras as well. The comrades relied on the world working class. The 8 hours and all our conquests were taken from the bourgeoisie by standing all over the world. The comrades could not be alone, going to the oil companies’ court to be condemned. We could not allow that. Light began to enter that court. The revolutionary socialists of the JRCL of Japan and the Zengakuren revolutionary youth sent us their flag, which today is in Las Heras, and we hang it in the court, and in the face of Judge Lembelle. From that moment on, her voice trembled, because she knew that the workers were no longer alone. They could no longer treat them as if they were animals, as if they were garbage, as they were treated for three months.



Facundo Jones Huala, political prisoner in Argentina

The Palestinian comrades, Sammer Issawi and his comrades who are in the prisons of Zionism, also came. The same did comrade George Abdallah, who was imprisoned 38 years ago for fighting for the Palestinian cause in the France of the V imperialist Republic, and with him the fellow Basque prisoners, who are also held in the dungeons of the V French Republic and in the Spanish State. The Greek anarchist comrades who confronted the fascists also joined in solidarity and today they are prisoners of Syriza...

Comrade Alberto Santillán, father of Dario Santillán, quickly understood that the State that wanted to condemn the comrades was the same State that had murdered his son and Maximiliano Kostequi in cold blood on Pueyrredón Bridge in 2002...

Comrade Alfon stood up from the prison. He is a son of the Republic of the Indignados, a young man who rose in general strike in Spain against the Bourbons, the same ones who condemned the comrades of Las Heras.

The comrades were no longer alone. They marched to the gallows knowing that anything could happen, but also the eyes of the working class were in that court. The workers of Las Heras, seeing that, saw themselves in the mirror of their comrades from Maghreb and Middle East. The workers of Libya brandished their rifles, not because they were mili-

tarists, but because they were oil workers talking to oil workers. “*My weapon is with you,*” the workers of Libya told them. And they recognized each other and we went to the dock all together with the images of each of the comrades in the streets of Caleta Olivia.

The comrades of Syria, comrade Abu Al Baraa and Mustafa Abu Juma, set up with us what is today the “International Network for the Freedom of Political Prisoners and Justice for our Martyrs”.

So we marched with the 43 Mexican students disappeared by the State, who has been missing for 43 months. We marched together with the 43 parents of the students of Ayotzinapa.

With them we marched, and although the court dictated condemnation, that international struggle has allowed the comrades being free today, fighting for their acquittal, and at the same time fighting for the freedom of all comrades.

In Las Heras, the flag of militant internationalism was raised again. All the workers of Las Heras know that they do not confront the oil companies in Las Heras. They know that they are supported and based on a struggle of all the workers of the world. They know of their comrades in Syria. They know that their comrades in Maghreb and Middle East fight and die as part of a fight of all the workers of the world.

On 12/12 the workers of Las Heras set up the International Day of the Persecuted Worker, together with all the workers of the world, and every 12/12 for four years, workers fight together. The “International Network...” is not only in Las Heras, it arrived at the jails of Greece and met with the anarchist comrades detained by Syriza.

We were in Esquel with Comrade Jones Huala, Mapuche political prisoner, imprisoned for confronting the Benetton, the same oil companies that fought against the comrades of Las Heras, and the big landowners in one of the richest lands in Patagonia. He wrote a letter to win the streets on May Day to recover that militant internationalism.

More than 40,000 comrades are imprisoned in Al Assad prisons.

I’m going to make a proposal to this workers’ assembly, because this fight must continue.

I propose to all the comrades, all the workers and youth who here to set up a movement of workers and militant organizations, so that never again a comrade is in the jails of the state, so that a worker is never tortured by the dogs of prey of capitalism, so that a worker is never handed over to justice, as Partido Obrero did with Arakaki and Ponce, so that comrade Romero does not fall in prison, so that the comrade Diego Paredes be released once and for all. So that we can do as it was done with Sacco and Vanzetti so that Juanes Huala will not be extradited to Chile. We have to stand up until the last prisoner on the world can be freed, because we already saw it in Las Heras, that with hostages we cannot conquer anything.

Comrades, with hostages of our class we cannot get anything for the workers. Until we free the last arrested comrade, we will not stop!



Demonstration in Argentina for the liberation of the political prisoners

STATEMENT OF THE PAPER OF THE SYRIAN SOCIALISTS THE TRUTH OF THE OPPRESSED ON MAY DAY

The unceasing bombings and massacre of Al Assad and Putin, and with the invasions of Russia, Iran, Turkey, USA and France were not enough to defeat all the rebel cities...

The “Trojan horses” of the Sunnite bourgeoisie of FSA sold out Ghouta, Aleppo, Daraya and today Homs northern countryside

This May Day we pay tribute to the Chicago Martyrs of today, those who die in the streets of Syria, particularly the martyrs of Leon Sedov Brigade. We pay tribute to our comrades who fought in the frontline against Bashar the dog and Putin and also denounced the sellout of the Sunnite bourgeoisie generals of the FSA. They fought for a revolutionary program to lead that revolution and all the revolutions of Middle East to victory.

This May Day we honour the comrades Abu Al Barra, Mustafa Abu Jumaa, Abu Nur, Abu Attia, Abu al Jud, Abu Mwayyah al Masry, Abu Musa al Jazaery, Mohamed Shekih al Jub, Hamza al Twil, Abu Isaac al Janubi, Mohamed Abdallah, Mohamed al Hamudi, Hesham abu al Qayss and many other comrades that fought together with them in Leon Sedov Brigade. The revolutionary socialists also shed their blood in the battlefield in Syria, together with more than 600 thousand martyrs, killed by Bashar on behalf of imperialism.

Today, the massacre continues. Al Assad and Putin are bombing the last trenches of the revolution. They have reduced the workers area in Damascus suburbs, that is to say Ghouta, to ashes. They even attacked with chemical weapons to massacre even the defenseless children that were in those areas.

However, this massacre of Al Assad and Putin, with warplanes, incendiary bombs, cluster bombs, chemical weapons and even reducing everything to



rubbles was not enough to defeat Ghouta, Aleppo or any other rebel city. It was also needed the sellout of those Trojan Horses of the Sunnite bourgeoisie, the generals of FSA that never fought a single battle, who went there to control the masses and sell them out from inside the free areas. As we are seeing today, they went to those free areas only to prevent the masses from fighting with their own methods, to take away from them the weapons that the masses have conquered with local insurrections. Now these very generals are openly surrendering all the weaponry to Assad.

We have seen them doing this in Aleppo. We have seen them selling out each one of the rebel cities before. And now, after the sellout of Ghouta, there were pictures which were seen by the entire world and that showed clearly that the FSA is selling out tanks, surface-to-air missiles, with which they could've thrown down the war planes of Al Assad and destroy their bases and airports from where they depart to bomb and massacre the masses.

This is what the generals of the Sunnite bour-

geoisie did. When Ghouta was burning and the masses marched all across Syria demanding "Open the fronts!" "Break the siege to Ghouta!" they ran very far away, with Turkey, placing themselves under Ergogan generals' commands. They went to Afrin (a city in northern Syria) and to the western shores of Euphrates river in the north, close to the Turkish border but far away from Ghouta so it was left isolated at the mercy of Al Assad and Putin.

After giving the whole weaponry to Bashar's army, these generals of the "Army of Islam", the ones that head the official commission representing the Sunnite bourgeoisie in Geneva conference, changed their uniforms and dressed up with the one that they always had: the one of Bashar.

The bourgeois generals of the FSA, after filling their pockets during the civil war at the expense of the blood and the starvation of the people, are now getting back to the place where they came from, to the army of Bashar, and they are the internal police in the former rebel areas where they were. They say they will be the "good police" (different from Assad's "bad police") and this way they justify they lowered the flag of the revolution and dressed with the uniforms of Assad's army to control the areas where they were but on behalf of the Syrian regime.

This is what they have signed in Homs northern countryside, mainly in the cities of Al Houla, Talbiseh and Rastan. In fact they have already started to give their weaponry away.

This is the plan that is carrying out right now in the last trenches of the revolution. It was settled by the UN, a bandit cave that met in Sweden. In that meeting, 15 representatives of the Security Council said "now is the moment where the army is re-unified and even we will see how long Al Assad will stay in office or if he is replaced by an interim government of this reunified army which will be under the control a commission of Russia and Turkey". That is to say, there is a counterrevolutionary pact between Russia and Turkey, under US command, which has guaranteed that all the rebel cities fell. This is the Geneva conference, which is directly defined in the battlefield. It is a true conspiracy of the enemies of the revolution.

This is not new. Imperialism has applied other counterrevolutionary pacts in history, such as the one of Yalta in the second post-war. It was a coun-

terrevolutionary pact of "peaceful coexistence with imperialism" where the Stalinist bureaucracy guaranteed that the revolution won't expand and mostly not succeed in the main countries.

The same thing were Esquipulas and Contadora in the '80s, that is to say, counterrevolutionary pacts through which the militias of the Central American revolution merged in a single army with that of the bourgeoisie. This happened in El Salvador, where the Frente Farabundo Marti para la Liberación Nacional (Farabundo Marti Front for National Liberation) merged with the Salvadorian army and became –just as Sandinism in Nicaragua– Wall Street yuppies.

In South Africa, it happened the same with Mandela at the beginning of the '90s. In there, the militia of the black masses also merged with the army of the white bourgeoisie. In that country, it was imposed the regime of reconciliation, throughout the white bourgeoisie was saved as well as imperialism, its property and businesses were safeguarded from the mass uprising and are now managed by the government of the black bourgeoisie.

That is to say, imperialism rules with counterrevolutionary pacts like these ones and of course, to guarantee them, its hitmen have killed those who didn't subordinate themselves to those pacts, as it happened when Stalinism murdered the Greek partisans at the end of World War II, just to give one example. In these counterrevolutionary pacts there are different agents. Each one of them has its own interest. But there is a point they have in common and unite them all: the fear to revolution, and therefore they combine their efforts to defeat it.

USA commands the counterrevolutionary pacts and with his bombings he tells he is the one that will win the war and divide and distribute the loot

A few weeks ago, we saw USA together with France and England fire a couple of missiles to some facilities of Al Assad and let everyone know that they are the bosses, the ones that can bomb their agents and will be the winners of the counterrevolution in Syria.

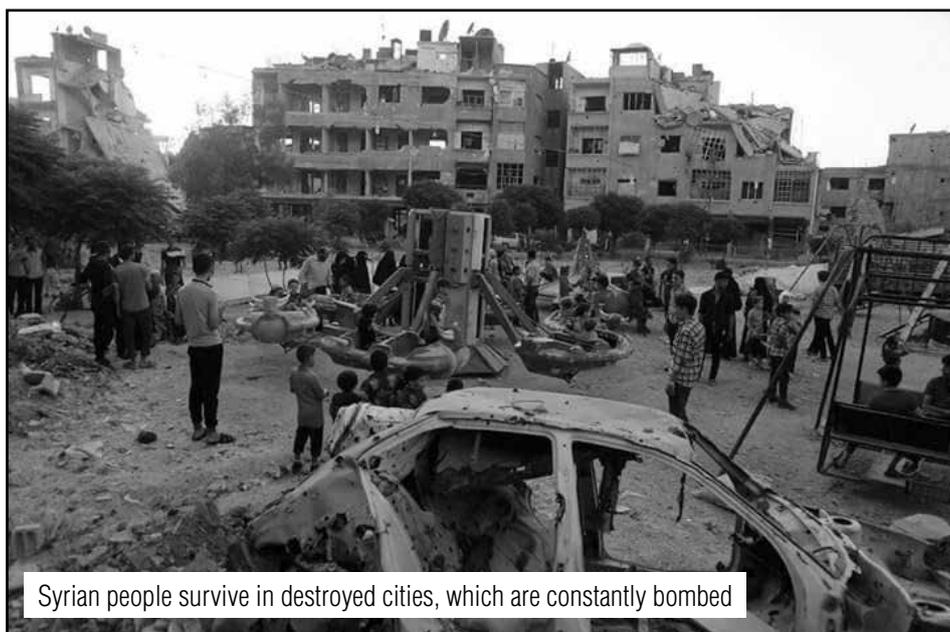
They need to legitimize themselves and clean their hands that are stained with the blood of the genocide in Syria, in order to show that they will grab the business deals of the bloodied Syria, over the basis of a graveyard.

They are already occupying Syria. USA has over 10 military bases. France has more than 5. Turkey also occupies parts of the Syrian north. What do they have? The oil wealth. USA is occupying all the oil Wells and refineries in the cities of Raqa and Deir Ez Zor. Among Turkey and France they are splitting the route of the oil pipes.

Imperialism is rubbing his hands thinking of the profits emerging from the reconstruction of Syria. Because everything is full of destroyed buildings and an estimated investment of 200 billion dollars have to be made. And Yankee imperialism already rubs his hands thinking about the gains of that reconstruction, using cheap and slave labor that it already has, which is the 15 million refugees who are living in tents in the middle of nowhere, where they are kept in their UN tents. This labor force is already being used by Jordan, Lebanon and Turkey and now the US is going to do it in the reconstruction.

In fact, the reconstruction plan has already begun. Bashar Al Assad issued a decree establishing that the one who does not return to his home and shows in 30 days that it is his possession with a property title valid, that house and the land will be owned by the one who keeps it, that is to say, by those who destroyed it and who later went and occupied it. They are doing the same thing as Zionism in 1948, which transformed the Palestinian people - as Al Assad now does with the Syrian people - into pariahs in their own land, putting them in refugee camps, in Bantustans, just as the Palestinian people stayed in concentration camps in Lebanon, in Jordan, in Yarmouk in Syria, in Gaza (where there are one and a half million inhabitants in that small strip). This is what they are doing with the Syrian people... that the refugee camps where they stay are like those of Palestine imposed by Zionism.

This is the counterrevolution that they want to settle in Syria: an occupied colony where nothing is decided in Syria, but in the UN, under the orders of imperialism, with foreign forces occupying the



Syrian people survive in destroyed cities, which are constantly bombed

territory and with military bases there.

The victory was more than possible

A counterrevolutionary front prevented it, supported by the reformist Left-wing and the union bureaucracies who defend this rotten world capitalist system

If today we get to this situation in Syria, it was not because heroism of the masses was lacking. They made a huge revolution. In 2011-2012 they had risen for bread and dignity in a revolution of the hungry, which was throughout the region, not just in Syria. The exploited defeated Ben Ali in Tunisia, Gaddafi in Libya, Mubarak in Egypt, three or four presidents in Yemen, where they took to the streets with hard bread because it was what they had to eat. It was the revolution for bread. Mohamed Bouazizi, a Tunisian computer technician who was not even allowed to sell vegetables on the street, blew himself up because he did not have enough to eat. It was the spark that set the entire region on fire.

Al Assad was surrounded in Damascus. 80% of the Syrian territory was liberated. If he did not succeed, it was because of a great conspiracy. Imperialism concentrated all its agents in Syria, which we named before, to crush the revolution. But above all he had the great support of the reformist Left-wing. Because this Left-wing said that "in Syria the big problem is ISIS" and made all the workers of the world believe that the enemy was "terrorism". That was his slogan and war cry.

With the excuse of ISIS Putin went there to massacre the masses who had revolted and had advanced threatening to defeat Al Assad in Damascus. With the excuse of ISIS Iran and Hezbollah came in to hold Bashar when he was falling. ISIS continues to be the excuse with which Bashar is massacring with chemical weapons.

The ISIS is the excuse with which the US invaded and kept the oil wells, along with all the imperialist powers.

The ISIS was the great excuse of all the counterrevolutionary forces, including the FSA to hand over the fighters in the cities where they were saying "these are terrorists that we cannot control" and put them in prisons so that the Yankee planes can come later to bomb them. The Yankees said they were bombing "terrorist zones" and what they were bombing were prisons, where the fighters of the revolution were imprisoned. The "bombing to ISIS" by the US was aimed to civilians, their homes and the prisons where the rebels are... everyone but ISIS. Because the ISIS was taken out of Raqa and Deir Ez Zor on air-conditioned buses.

ISIS was the great counterrevolutionary excuse and the one that legitimized it was the reformist Left-wing... in all its versions. But the most serious of all is not only that they gave the counterrevolutionary sustenance to imperialism and its agents, but that they made all the workers of the world believe that those who died in Syria were all terrorists and isolated the Syrian and Middle Eastern masses from the workers of the world. They did the opposite on May 1, that is, they infused Islamophobia into the world working class and separated it from the exploited in the Middle East. They imposed a siege on the Syrian revolution.

Anyone who says that there were no conditions to get to Syria and carry out actions in solidarity with that revolution in the world is lying. There were conditions to spare and they were proved enormously, with thousands of mass actions.

For example, we saw the workers of the imperialist countries and of the world demonstrating in defense of Palestine. When it was attacked, they took to the streets against their own imperialism, paralyzing the machinery of war, and against Zionism. If Syria had had 10% of that solidarity that the Palestinian masses received, Al Assad's massacre would have been stopped. All the Left-wing allowed Al Assad to impose this genocide.

The fantasy of the reformist Left-wing that "two sides" confronted in Syria, Al Assad and Putin against the US, Turkey and the FSA, is exposed as a fraud to the world working class.

All of them were part of the same counterrevolutionary pact against the Syrian masses, which is the one that has been carried out to guarantee the fall and surrender of all rebellious cities and the one that today is preparing to do so with the last trenches of the revolution. They have their own interests and dispute them, but at the negotiating table, never on the battlefield. There they are all united to defeat the Syrian revolution, and for that purpose each one plays its role. Assad, Putin and the Iranian ayatollahs do the dirty work of massacring the masses. The generals of the Sunni bourgeoisie of the FSA, under the command of Turkey, hand over the rebellious cities. The US, seconded by France, with troops and military bases invading Syria itself command this counterrevolutionary pact and discipline their agents by bombing, in addition to also using their aircraft to bomb the masses when their different agents could not control them, as we said before.

Geneva was a common operating table. The US liberated the airspace and coordinated with Russia and Bashar that their planes could massacre the Syrian masses. In 7 years of revolution there was never a military clash between them, while all rebellious cities were bombarded, many of them reduced to rubble and ashes.

The Left-wing that speaks in the name of socialism and the working class, while every day they are devoted to betraying it, hides this counterrevolutionary pact and all the facts that expose it. They raised and raise that deception that in Syria they are confronting "the two blocs", that of Al Assad and Putin against the US, Turkey and the FSA. And they have to insist on this because they have to justify that some have taken a position of being with Al Assad while others supported the FSA. That is to say, there were two positions within the reformist Left-wing, each at the feet of the two ends of the same rope of Geneva that strangles the Syrian revolution.

Those who openly supported the genocidal fascist Al Assad were the CP (Communist Party), the Stalinists, the trade union bureaucracy, the WSF (World Social Forum), the Castro, Chávez... They said "the Iranian Ayatollahs are anti-imperialist",

when actually they acted as ghurka troops massacring the Syrian masses. Currents of the renegades of Trotskyism, self-confessed philo-stalinist such as Alan Woods, who took the Transitional Program to Chávez, continue saying “Hail Al Assad, the anti-imperialist”.

Others supported Al Assad more slyly, but in a more cynical and sinister way. They carried out their May 1 meeting in Plaza de Mayo in Buenos Aires. They are the PO and the PTS, who said that “there are two reactionary camps, then we have nothing to do, so let them kill each other”. This means letting Al Assad drop chemical weapons, letting Putin’s planes bomb all the rebel cities, letting them massacre the children who die there... because those children, the rebels, the masses, the 15 million refugees living in tents in the middle of nowhere are as “reactionary” as the murderers of Putin and Al Assad who massacre them with their bombs. After affirming this... can any militant of the PO and the PTS continue in those parties? How can one call himself revolutionary and be a member of them?

These currents attended their May 1 meeting with the slogan “Out with the Syrian imperialism”, but as far as Al Assad, who does the dirty work to imperialism, nothing is said, just because they are with Al Assad. And when imperialism invaded with the excuse of ISIS, they did not say anything either. Moreover, they supported it, because “the enemy was ISIS”.

There were several, within this block, who said “the only progressive thing that can be seen in Syria are the Kurds”. And by “Kurds” they meant, in fact, the YPG, a force that was Gurkha troops of imperialism.



Geneva conference

These currents said there was a “revolution” in the northern part of Syria, called Rojava. That area is occupied by Yankee military bases. What revolution can there be with a Yankee military occupation and the imperialist theft of oil and all Syrian riches? They pass off the “gurkas” of imperialism who were going to massacre the Middle East as “revolutionary”. Those who affirmed this were not only the sectors of the reformist Left-wing, but also a large part of anarchism. In fact, anarchism was the one that most defended this supposed “Rojava revolution”.

It was not all anarchism that defended this position. There was a sector of Greek anarchists - who released a pamphlet called “The Syrian Revolution” - which confronted them. They were placed in the correct trench of the Syrian revolution. With them, our comrades have established a debate and a fraternal relationship.

But, as we had anticipated, there was also the other part of the Left-wing, those who called themselves “friends of the Syrian revolution”: the UIT, the LIT, the French NPA, the English SWP. These currents said “in Syria a democratic revolution is developing, then we have to support the ‘Jacobins’ of the democratic revolution who are the generals of the FSA”, they walked them around the world, they interviewed them, they showed them everywhere. And for years they have been asking the US and Turkey, the FSA bosses, to send them weapons to win.

Making an appeal to the world working class and class solidarity, because it is a workers revolution, so that the exploited defeat Al Assad with the methods of the working class and seize the power? No. solidarity of the unions they lead, as we have proposed? No. They refused to do so. They only made a demand to the US to give weapons to the FSA.

That is to say that for them, who call themselves Marxists (and demonstrate at every step to have denied him), the history of humanity is no longer the history of the class struggle, since for

them in Syria the class struggle does not exist. Instead, they argued that there was a struggle between two sides: a democratic side and a fascist side, or an imperialist side with democratic clothes and an “anti-imperialist” side like Al Assad. In any case they were divided around which was the “progressive side”, when really these “two sides” were different agents of imperialism, playing different roles of the same counterrevolution, trying to defeat the other side that no one supported: the revolution of the Syrian masses, which they all betrayed.

There were more than enough conditions for victory

But the revolution is not defeated and it will be defined at international level.

Victory was possible, on the condition of uniting with the international working class. At the beginning of the revolution, in 2011, many young people and workers from the Maghreb and the Middle East saw that their revolution was in Syria and they went there. Imperialism had just begun the withdrawal from Iraq in 2008, precisely because the American masses had risen up against the war and did not allow imperialism to support that invasion any more. And they demonstrated it again when the Syrian refugees arrived in Europe and told their truth, an enormous solidarity of the European masses stirred up and if that solidarity did not become as the working class did in the 30s in Spain sending international brigades in support to the revolution against Franco's regime, it was because of the betrayal of this left, that said that “the enemy is ISIS”, it was because they supported Al Assad or the US, preventing true class solidarity.

And that was the first condition for victory. Without this it was impossible to succeed, because all the international forces went to support Al As-



Putin and Trump

sad. And these traitors prevented the international forces of the working class from supporting the revolution. That is the tragedy that we are seeing now.

But the Syrian revolution is not defeated. Its future will depend on the combat of the working class in the Middle East and at international level.

Our comrades, to whom we pay tribute, and all our current defended a revolutionary program for the seizure of power.

This program, these lessons, these combats we saw throughout these 7 years of Syrian revolution, were combats that we learned from the lessons of Spain, the Paris Commune, 1917 in Russia, all past revolutions, where many revolutionary socialists also gave their lives and wrote with their blood revolutionary lessons as today our comrades do.

Those lessons live in revolutionary parties. And these traitors, in addition to siege the Syrian revolution and all the betrayals I mentioned, they also are in charge of there be no trace of revolutionary parties or revolutionary lessons of Marxism. They want no one to raise the conditions of victory and make us believe that victory is not possible.

This May 1st we have to affirm that not only victory is possible, but that we are going to fight for it, but that is going to be possible only in spite of and against that grouping of traitors that are today in the Congress and in Plaza de Mayo and in the whole world speaking as the call themselves “New Left”.

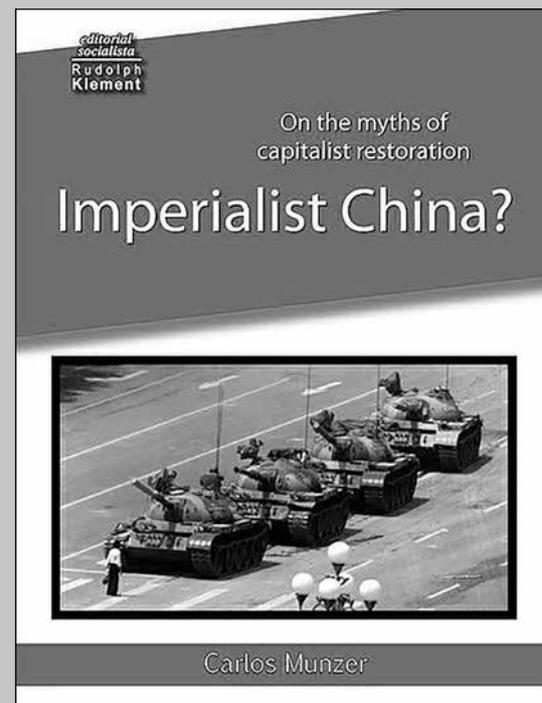
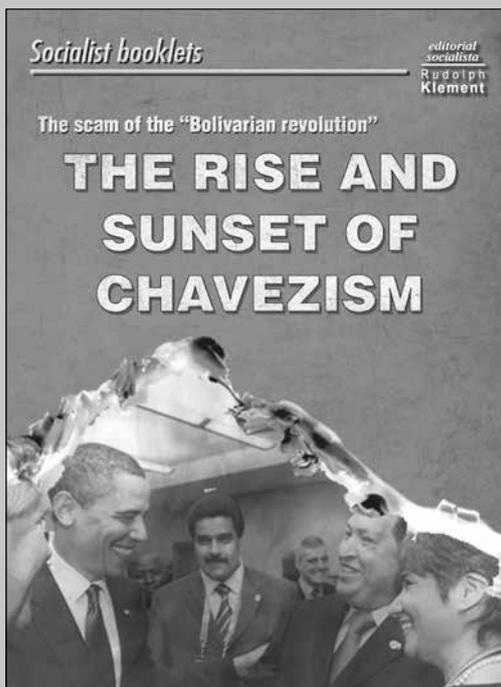
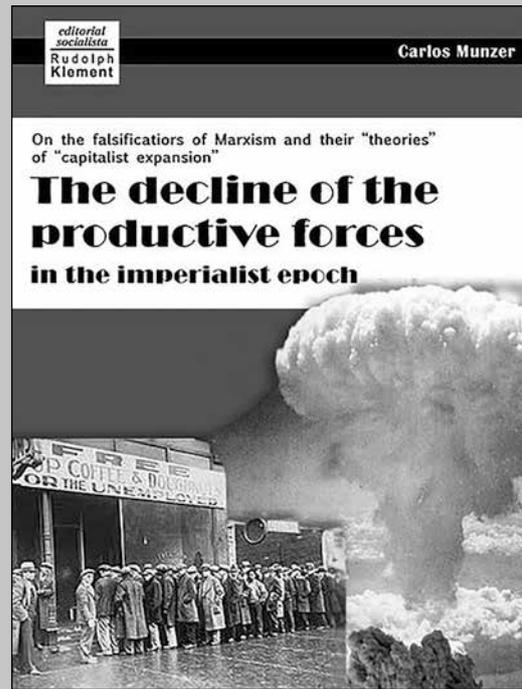
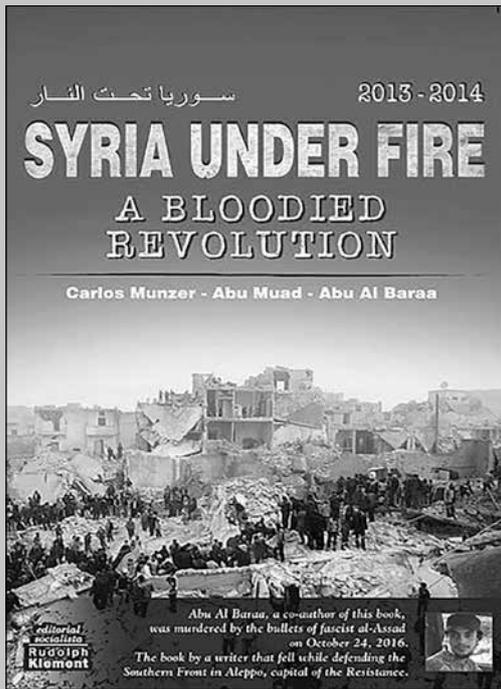
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Let's hit exploiters all over the world, like they centralize to attack our conquests
Let's make transnational companies and imperialist bankers kneel

We have already fought against the attack of the ones of above Like in the May Days in the 19th and 20th Centuries On March 8th working women show everybody the path



Demonstration of women in Idlib, Syria



France

Let's unify our struggles, let's prepare and organize a... World General Strike!