

## MESAZ INTERNASYONAL pu FET TRAVAY LALIT 2021

Tem: "Pandan pandemi, Klas travayer bizin Mobilize pu Kreasyon Anplwa ek Sekirite Alimanter"

Kuma sak lane pu Fet Travay nu finn resevwar plizir mesaz depi lorganizasyon politik lor kat kontinan Lafrik, Lazi, Lerop ek Lamerik. Li enn fason pu nu gard vivan sa lespri internasyonalism ki finn karakteriz listwar nesans Fet Travay e lalit klas travayer tut long so listwar. Zordi fas a kriz saniter ek ekonomik li ankor plis nesaser pu kontiyn devlop e mem etann sa kalite korperasyon internasyonalist la pu anplifye ek ranforsi mobilizasyon klas travayer fas-a tantativ klas kapitalist ek zot guvernman pu fer travayer sarye fardo resesyon ekonomik.

*Enn tradiksyon an Kreol tu bann mesaz ki LALIT finn resevwar. Mesaz orizinal swa an Angle u Franse li pli anba dan dokiman*

### Mesaz depi Marxist Group of Namibia dan Namibi

*Sa grup Marxis la finn kumanse kuma enn grup detid e ti partisip dan gran lagrev profeser. Nu konn sa bann kamarad dabor atraver fe Neville Alexander ek lezot kamarad dan Workers' Organization for Socialist Action (WOSA) dan Sid Afrik. Apre sa, nu finn gard enn kontak byin pros (2-an desela nu manb Jean Yves ti vizit zot). Nu usi pibliye zot analiz e zot pibliye pu nu.*

Ser Kamarad LALIT, nu transmet zot nu salitasyon revolisyoner a lokazyon Fet Travay 2021. Se enn komemorasyon inportan parski li kwinsid avek 150 banane Kominn Paris. Koneksyon Namibi ena avek sa lexparyans istorik sosyalism la se sa mem Larme Lalmayn ki finn masakre nu bann kamarad dan Paris pa selman li finn fer fezer apel Konferans Berlin pu dekup nu kontinan pu partaze ant zot me kat deseni plitar li finn usi komet enn zenosid dan Namibi.

Zordi Namibi, akable par enn rezim neo-kolonyal extreman koronpi, pe pretann li fini liber nu peyi. Dan enn tantativ dezespere pu akros ar puvwar, elit alatet SWAPO finn kumans enn dialog nasyonal lor 'Sosyalism avek partikularite Namibyin' kalke lor Lasinn kot laba ena enn parti otoriter pe met anplas enn kapitalism deta.

Nu kwar sime pu enn nuvo fitir se travayer alabaz, enn sosyalism otozere. Sa dimann kreasyon bann koperativ par klas travayer a tu nivo lekonomi. Par exanp, met dibut koperativ pu asir nu sekirite ek lindependans alimanter li esansyel ek an zeneral, koperativ kapav vinn enn parmi pli inportan solisyon pu rezud problem somaz masif ki nu pe viv. Lalit kontinye. Viva Premye Me! Viva LALIT!

Shaun Whittaker

Marxist Group of Namibia

### Mesaz depi Dale McKinley, Sid Afrik

*LALIT finn ena lyin konsistan lor letan avek Forum Anti-Privatizasyon (APF) Sid Afrik. Dale McKinley ek lezot delege APF ti vinn Moris pu partsip dan Platform Pa-Bush an 2003 ki LALIT ti inisye kan prezidan Bush ti pu vinn Moris pu forum AGOA. Dale McKinley depi APF ed nu pu res azur avek sityasyon politik dan Sid Afrik ek lor aksyon APF. APF avoy mesaz solidarite dan tu evennman ek aksyon mazer LALIT organize.*

A tu militan LALIT ek tu alye – Salitasyon Revolisyoner Premye Me / Travayer / Fet Travay depi Sid Afrik !

Zame li pa finn usi inportan ek determinan pu klas travayer ek tu so alye – dan Moris ek partu dan lemond pu reafirm e renuvle lalit lor mem prinsip ek lespri ki finn donn nesans premye selebrasyon Premye Me/Fet Travay, plis ki 130 banane desela.

Nu pe viv dan enn kriz sistemik masif lor plizir dimansyon, kriz-la finn agrave avek pandemi Kovid-19. Partu, klas travayer pe ena pu sarye fardo sa presyon sosyo-ekonomik grandisan ek pe sibir atak

materyel/ideolojik par bann klas ek lafors politik ki pe akimil larises inimazinab ek puvwar atraver konitinye diviz lepep e detrir nu planet.

Divan enn tel realite, nu pena swa apart pu intansifye nu lalit lor terin anfaver travay desan, enn alimentasyon bon pu lasante, enn lanvironnman kot ena mwins polisyon, drwa enn lozman an dinite, pu egalite ant zom ek fam, anfaver servis piblik gratis ek enn demokrasi dirab lor letan. Me plis ki zame, lor baz mem prinsip ek lespri Premye Me/Fet Travay nu bizin: solidarite imin ek solidarite travayer, internasyonalism, lalit kolektif, lazistis sosyal ek egalite ekonomik - tusala anime par lamur revolisyoner ek swin pu tu oprime.

Anu zame bliye kisannla nu ete, seki nu reprezante e pu kifer nu pe amenn lalit ek ki kalite sosyete nu ule konstrir. Lepok zordi li dir, me nu, usi, nu solid. Ansam, nu kapav sirmont tu sa bann kriz la e sem lagrin pu enn fitir kot fer bon viv.

Anu kontinye avanse! A LUTA CONTINUA!

*Dale T. McKinley* (Akademik, ekriyin/serser-edikater ek aktivis - *International Labour, Research & Information Group, Johannesburg* [Internasyonal Travay, Grup Resers ek Linformasyon,], Johanesburg, Sid Afrik)

### **Mesaz depi Alliance for Workers' Liberty, Gran Bretayn**

*Trwazyem mesaz sorti Gran Bretayn, depi enn lorganizasyon apel Workers' Liberty, ar lekel Lalit ena lyin depi buku lane*

Nu avoy zot nu salitasyon ek solidarite pu Premye Me 2021. Pandemi global ek irzans klimatik global pe fer solidarite internasyonal klas travayer vinn ankor pli inportan.

Nu finn bizin viv dan konfinnman uswa restriksyon aköz Kovid-19 pu plis ki 1-an aster. Nu pa finn kapav organiz renyon kuma nu abitye. Klas Travayer finn gayn difikilte pu organiz manifestasyon lor sime kuma nu abitye. Me sa 1 Me la nu pu lor sime dan sa muvman ki finn kumans leve partu dan peyi kont guvernman so nuvo proze lalwa *Police Bill*.

Finn bizin kennsel plizir lagrev inportan planifye avan ti dekret konfinnman, aköz travayer ti rant swa dan somaz teknik, uswa ranvwaye pu al travay depi lakaz uswa travay su protokol dirzans. Patron finn servi sa bann kondisyon la pu met travayer deor ek diminye kondisyon travay.

Nu finn met nu zefor pu kontinye travay ar muvman sindikal, sirtu lel revolisyoner Marxist dan muvman sindikal an konstruksyon, pu li res operasyonel kuma enn servis esansyel. Enn lalit an faver mezir solidarite sosyal nesaser anmentan pu rann bann mezir distans-sosyal-Kovid rekomande par bann syantis efektif ek usi limit bann konsekans sosyal.

Nu finn lite pu klas travayer pran kontrol lor mezir sekirite lor zot sayt travay. Dan buku plas travay kot patron pa ti asir mezir saniter, travayer finn kolektivman resi refiz pu rant lor sayt ziska ki patron asir kondisyon saniter nesaser ubyin mem ziska anpes re-uvertir sertin sayt.

Nu finn lite pu gayn drwa pu ful lapey kan travayer absan lor sik aköz bann regleman karantenn Kovid, ek nu finn gayne lor sa pwin la ubyin defann sa drwa la dan plizyer landrwa.

Nu finn amenn kanpayn pu reapropriasyon piblik resurs ek lindistri nesaser, su sirveyans ek kontrol travayer, pu kal pandemi: kuma lekipman PPE, lopital prive, patant ek prodiksyon vaksin.

Konba kont tandans nasyonalist lor vaksin, lor reapropriasyon piblik ek kontrol lor sa 5 miltinasyonal lindistri farmasetik, li enn konba internasyonal.

Travayer Lemond Antye, Ini! Aster lamem, pu nu tras simin pu enn linite travayer plis larz: Revolisyoner Sosyalist ek Marxist Lemond Antye, Ini!

Martin Thomas

Alliance for Workers' Liberty

## **Mesaz depi: Nouveau Parti Anti Capitalist (NPA), Lafrans**

*NPA, enn lorganizasyon politik anti-kapitalis ek internasyonalis dan Lafrans. Zot inn pran nesans an 2009 apre disolisyon Ligue Communiste Révolutionnaire (LCR) ek enn long proses fondasyon pu inifye diferan grup lagos radikal dan Lafrans. LALIT finn ena lesanz ek rankont avek manb ladireksyon LCR pandan plizir lane. Pu donn enn legzanp form koperasyon inn pran, zot ti prezan dan nu Konferans Internasyonal kont baz Diego Garcia an 2010. Kamarad ki manb ek sinpatizan abitye lir zot lagazet ek zot magazinn dan nu Kartye Zeneral. Ena kamarad Lalit konn Leon Cremieux ki finn siyn let la. Li ti enn orater dan Konferans 2010.*

Kamarad Lalit,

150 banane desela, dan Lafrans, klas travayer lor lofansiv kree Kominn Paris. Dan lapratik zot finn deklans enn revolusyon kont sistem kapitalist, etabli enn sosyete otozere ki finn reziste pandan 72 zur. Lor letan, LaKominn malgre tu so mankman, finn enn lasurs inspirasyon vivan parski li ti premye lexyeryans emansipasyon popiler ek puvwar popiler, priz-di-puvwar par klas explwate ek oprime, ek li finn kontinye res enn surs lanseyman atraver tu sa bann deseni la. E nu realize, mem apre 150 banane, sa sulevman lamas popiler pa finn gayn plas li merite: LaKominn ankor tuzur denigre dan lapres burzwa e nu truve kimanyer bann latitud reponsab pu prodwir Versailles ankor tuzur la, pankor disparet. Nu temwin kuma lespri Kominn Paris ankor vivan, kan nu truv panik klas dirizan divan muvman kuma “Black Lives Matter”, “#MeToo”, par fason ki fam ek klas radikalize, tu explwate ek oprime remet an kekyon leta kapitalist, rezistans kont Larme dan Myanmar, dan Hong Kong, HIRAK dan Lalzeri. Dan Lafrans, an 2020, zis avan kriz Kovid-19 ek konfinnman, nu ti ena enn muvman for kont enn reform kapitalist pansyon, zis 1-an apre Muvman Zile-Zonn. Me pandan 1-an preske, finn ena plizyer manifestasyon kont vyolans polisyer ek kont krim-rasis, kont vyolans anti-fam, ek kont sanzman klimatik. Dan buku peyi, diferan guvernman reaksyoner finn servi pandemi Kovid-19 pu amenn bann lalwa losterite kont dimunn explwate ek oprime, zis pu zot protez profi kapitalist. Me malgre sa, partu sa ansyin lespri larevolusyon pe tuzur kontinye konstrir so simin.

Viv Premye Me!

Viv Lalit Internasyonal Klas Travayer!

Leon Cremieux,

Nouveau Parti Anti-Kapitalis

## **Mesaz depi Lalig Revolusyoner-Kominis (Faksyon-Marxis-Revolusyoner), Zapon**

*Manb LALIT Rada Kistnasamy ti zwenn delege sa grup la dan fet anyel Lutte Ouvriere (LO) dan Lafrans an 2018. Depi sa, nu finn ena plizir lesanz mesaz solidarite avek zot lorganizasyon dan kad Fet Travay uswa rasanbleman anti- lager. Zot pran lapenn pu mem tradir mesaz LALIT an Zapone pu pibliye dan zot lagazet ek Revi. Ala zot mesaz.*

Kamarad Repiblik Moris, depi Zapon nu salerezman avoy zot tu nu mesaz solidarite a lokasyon Zurne Internasyonal Travay.

Nu Lalig-Revolusyoner-Kominis Zapon (Faksyon Revolusyoner- Marxist) nu pe lite dan lavangard militan travayer ek etidyan Zapone kont latak vyolan par klas dirizan ek so guvernman. Aktyelman, plizyer gran lavil dan Zapon inklir Tokyo finn rant dan ‘Leta Dirzans’ pu 3em fwa depi pandemi inn deklare. Anplin depresyon-ekonomik pandemi, klas travayer Zapone pe sibir lisansiman dan travay, lapey pe kupe ek lezot latak kriyel par kapitalist monopol. Mwayin pu viv pe vinn deplizanpli difisil parski demand pu konpansasyon [kuma isi dan Moris, nu apel Wage Assistance Scheme] finn refize par Guvernman-Yoshihide Suga ki pe plito met lanfaz lor “antred”. Sa kalite politik kot rezim anplas pe abondonn so lepep, demontre so veritab natir neo-fasist. Lideryship muvman lopozisyon ofisyel finn sumet divan klas dirizan. Nu denons zot puritir ek nu pe lite pu kree ek organiz enn kont-atak for depi lamas dimunn ki travay pu viv.

Nu pe truv fose inegalite ant ris ek pov pe kontinye agrandi a enn degre kuma zame nu finn truve avan. Sa fer nu konpran ki sistem kapitalist finn ariv dan so faz terminal ek pe devwal sa felir kriyel ant bann klas. Nu fer enn lapel a klas travayer tu peyi, ini pu konbat kont klas kapitalis ki pe sey sirviv kriz ekonomik Kovid-19 lor ledo lavi lamas dimunn ki pe konbat pu viv ek usi pu ini kont bann guvernman ki pe donn serom bann kapitalis voras. Letan inn vini pu konbat ansam pu uver enn nuvo lepok.

Nu pe usi sonn enn alarm. Aktyelman dan lamer otur Taiwan ek Zapon, bann bato deger depi Lasinn ek lafors koalisyon Amerikin-Zapone ek zot avyon deger, pe fer bann manev menas enn kan kont lot e sa pe kree enn sityasyon eksplozif. Dan Okinawa, enn lil dan Lesid Zapon, sitye lor frontlayn zot rivalite, ena dril militer konzwin lafors Amerikin-Zapone kot preske tulezur nu tann tapaz jet ek zarm lager.

Anmemtan, ena konstriksyon enn nuvo baz militer marinn Amerikin e sa malgre ena enn lopoziyosyon popilasyon lokal for kont sa baz-la. Zordi, Les Lazi inn vinn enn pwin fokal sa konfrontasyon global ant enn kote, leta neo-Stalinist Lasinn, ki ena lanbisyon pu vinn ezemonik lor lemond 21em syek ek lot kote, Leta inperyalist Lamerik, kut-ke-kut pe rod anpes li.

Isi dan Zapon, nu determine pu kontinye lalit anti-lager kont preparasyon sa koalisyon inperyalism Amerikin ansam avek so alye klas dirizan Zapone kont Lasinn.

Pu nu pena okenn dut, ki baz militer lor Diego Garcia, ki inperyalis Angle ek Amerikin finn konstrir par derasinn lepep Chagosyin, pe ranforsi pu ena enn nuvo fonksyon kuma enn baz lor lavanplan dan sa rivalite ant Lamerik ek Lasinn ki pe intansifye dan rezyon Indo-Pasifik. Militan travayer ek zenn dan Zapon pe lite an solidarite avek tu kamarad Repiblik Moris dan sa konba kont baz militer. Anu ansam kree enn lalit anti-lager pu sirviv sa kriz lager ki pe intansifye dan sa konfrontasyon ant Lamerik ek Lasinn.

Akira Kato

Pu Lalig Revolisyoner-Kominis-Zapon (Faksyon-Marxis-Revolisyoner)

### **Mesaz depi Leta Zini par Komite Organizater pu enn Lagos Demokratik Revolisyoner**

*Rajni Lallah ek Lindsey Collen ti zwenn kamarad Steve Bloom, kan zot ti al, lor nom LALIT kuma obzervater dan reynion Katriem Internasyonal ki ti fer dan Belzik e kot Steve, li osi, ti obzervater. Apre sa, dan LALIT de-trwa kamarad ti tradir an Kreol Steve Bloom (ki osi enn poet extra) so long poem lor Revolisyon Larisi pu 100an selebrasyon sa gran muvman klas travayer la (li tuzur lor nu sayt):*

Salitasyon Premye Me

Aksepte nu salitasyon salere depi Komite Organizater Pu enn Lagos Demokratik Revolisyoner dan USA. Nu enn parmi enn seri kolektif ki pe ankor milite isi dan leker inperyalism pu ena enn lemond kot pu anfin met anpratik egalite ek lazistis sosyal pu tu dimunn, ek nu usi salye tu seki angaze dan sa mem konba la partu dan lemond.

Depi Premye Me lane dernyer lemond finn pas ek ankor ena plizyer pei tuzur dan konfinnman akoz pandemi ki anmemtan fer nu konba difisil ek usi pli nesaser. Wall Street finn pran lavantaz pu rod lezot lokazyon pu permet seki deza siper-ris pu kontinye anrasi zotmem tandiki plizyer minorite oprime, fam ek dimunn pe viv dan lamizer oblize, kuma avan, sarye fardo kriz ekonomik ek sosyal agrave ar pandemi.

Anmemtan nu finn truv viktwar dan nu konba lane dernye. Dan sa moman prezan li apropiye pu suliyon konviksyon enn lapolis rasist ki finn tuy George Floyd dan Minneapolis, kitsoz kapav zame pa ti pu arive si pa ti ena denonsyasyon masif deklanse par muvman Black Lives Matter dan Lamerik ek dan lemond antye. Enn-de mwa desela, an Novam 2020, enn mazorite elekter dan Lamerik finn infliz enn defet kont enn so bann prezidan plis rasist ek reaksyoner ki Lamerik inn deza ena.

Anmemtan, nu konsyan Joseph Biden li pa solisyon. Dan Lamerik sistem la kadnase pu asire lanpir tuzur gayn elektyon. De sa pwindevi la, Prezidansyel 2020 pa ti diferan.

Alor lalit kontinye.

Pu Premye Me 2021, nu salye LALIT dan Moris pu tu seki zot fer pu azut dan nu konba internasyonal.

Nu swiv zot kanpayn pu liberasyon Diego Garcia parski ena telman buku paralel avek lalit anti-inperyalis dan Puerto Rico, ek nu resanti enn lyin spesyal ant nu de lorganizasyon.

Anu nu zwenn nu lame ansam pu Premye Me 2021. Anu pran langazman pu onor parol sante inspire par lavi lider Drwa Sivil Ella Baker: “Nu ki kwar dan laliberte nu pa pu kapav arete tanki li pa vinn enn realite”

Steve Bloom Pu Komite Organizater pu enn Lagos Demokratik Revolsiyoner, Lamerik.

### **Mesaz depi Klas Travayer so Parti (IKEP), Latirki**

*Rada Kistnasamy ti zwenn delege sa Parti la Mumbai, kan li ti al Konferans Internasyonal (IWC) Novam an 2016.*

Kamarad dan Moris;

Nu salye zot alokazyon 1 Me, pu sa zur internasyonal lalit klas travayer. Isi dan Latirki nu pe milite pu nu konstrir enn parti klas travayer demas. Guvernman dan Latirki pe inpoz bann mezir dir kont klas travayer ek travayer pe fer fas bann kondisyon plizanpli difisil tulezur. Pa finn ena okenn mezir proteksyon pu klas travayer kont pandemi Korona, bann lizinn depi lanons pandemi pann ferme dan peryod apel ‘lokdown’ ek Latirki aster parmi pei avek pli gran nonb lamor.

Nu antan Klas Travayer so Parti (IKEP) nu pe apel pu enn parti travayer ini ek demokratik pu amenn ansam tu bann tandans anfaver enn konba politik klas travayer indepandan depi Leta ek patrona.

Nu avoy zot nu meyer ve ek nu salitasyon solidarite depi Latirki.

Viv Zurne Internasyonal Klas Travayer! Viv Lalit Klas Travayer!

Workers Own Party (IKEP), Latirki

### **Mesaz depi Lutte Ouvriere, Lafrans**

*Plizir manb LALIT finn zwenn manb ladireksyon LO dan Moris ek dan Lafrans. Alain Ah Vee ek Rajni Lallah, ti partisip dan zot Fet anyel dan Lafrans an 2017, ek Rada Kistnasamy ek Sadna an 2018, kot LALIT ti tini enn latab avek nu piblikasyon. LALIT finn ena lesanz avek Lutte Ouvrière pandan plizir lane. Kamarad manb ek sinpatizan abitye lir zot lagazet ki nu resevwar regilyerman dan nu Kartye Zeneral.*

Ser kamarad,

Kuma bann travayer partu dan lemond, nu usi nu pu manifeste le Premye Me, dan Paris ek dan buku lezot lavil dan Lafrans pu sa lazurne internasyonal lalit travayer. Mem si Lafrans li enn peyi ris, konsekans pandemi finn provok enn ogmantasyon brital somaz, buku travayer dan travay bat-bate finn perdi sa form reveni la. Ena long lake dimunn pe atann pu gayn manze ek atann sekur depi lorganizasyon karitatif. E li paret sa kriz la ankor dan so kumansman parski guvernman pe kumans aret bann mezir sutyin inplemante depi kumansman Kovid.

Sa lane la, nu pe selebre 150-an Kominn Pari 1871. Nu revandik leritaz bann kamarad LaKominn ki finn ‘alaso pu uver laport paradi’ kuma Marx dir, par organiz pu premye fwa puvwar klas travayer. Mem si lexperyans ti kurt ek nwaye dan disan, li finn inspir tu militan uvriye depi sa moman la ek finn kontinye avek Revolisyon Ris 1917 ankor enn prev klas travayer kapav diriz sosyete. Zordi sistem kapitalis inkapab malgre tu progre syantifik aret pandemi ek numem nu mank vaksin ek parfwa loxizenn. Zordi, li finn vinn ankor plis neseseer pu afirme, lavenir li truv dan emansipasyon travayer.

Bon Premye Me avek nu salitasyon fraternel,  
Michel Bondelet, Lutte Ouvrière, Lafrans

**Mesaz depi Elsa Wiehe, manb Democratic Socialist of America (DSA), USA**

*Elsa Wiehe enn manb dan enn Brans Parti Democratic Socialist Of America. Kan li ti Moris li ti enn manb Lalit e aktif dan Brans.*

Depi Lamerik, e antan enn manb Democratic Socialist of America, mo dibut an solidarite avek LALIT ek ar tu konba li reprezante pu lazistis ek egalite, pu met lor lavanplan lalit deklas ant travayer ek burzwazi anmemtan milite pu demantelman inperyalism partu. Isi dan Lamerik dan DSA, nu pe lite pu lazistis lozman pu lokater, pu organizasyon dirzans lor sayt travay, ek kont rasism. Mo solider avek LALIT so prinsip ek so bann kanpayn!

Elsa Wiehe, Democratic Socialist of America (DSA)

Versyon Kreol tradiksyon mesaz par CC ek AA

Versyon Orizinal an Angle/Franse swiv dan paz swivan

Mesaz Versyon Orzinal

### **Marxist Group of Namibia, NAMIBIA**

Dear comrades of LALIT,

the Marxist Group of Namibia brings you revolutionary greetings on this May Day of 2021. This is indeed an important commemoration as it comes 150 years after the Paris Commune. The Namibian connection with that historic experiment in socialism is that the very same German army that massacred our comrades in Paris not only felt emboldened to call the Berlin conference and carve up our continent amongst the colonizers, but also committed a genocide in Namibia about four decades later.

Today, Namibia is burdened with a highly corrupt neo-colonial regime that pretends to have liberated the country. In a desperate attempt to cling to power, the Swapo elite have started a national dialogue about 'socialism with Namibian characteristics', which is modeled on China, where an authoritarian party is implementing state capitalism.

Our view is that a grassroots or a self-managed socialism is the way forward. This includes the formation of cooperatives by the working class at all levels of the economy. Cooperatives for food sovereignty, for example, are vital, while cooperatives in general could be one of the most important solutions to mass unemployment. The struggle continues. Viva May Day! Viva LALIT!

Shaun Whittaker

Marxist Group of Namibia

### **SOUTH AFRICA**

TO ALL LALIT MILITANTS AND ALLIES - REVOLUTIONARY MAY/WORKERS/LABOUR DAY GREETINGS FROM SOUTH AFRICA!

Never has it been more important and crucial for the working class and its allies – whether in Mauritius or across our world - to reaffirm and renew the struggle for, the principles and spirit that gave rise to the first celebration of May/Labour Day over 130 years ago.

We are living through a massive and multi-faceted systemic crisis, made even worse by the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Everywhere, the working class is under ever-increasing socio-economic strain and material/ideological attack by those class and political forces who are busy amassing unimaginable amounts of wealth and power as they continue to divide people and destroy our planet.

In the face of such realities, we have no choice but to intensify our practical struggles for decent jobs, for healthy food, for a cleaner environment, for quality housing, for gender and sexual equality, for a range of free public services and for real, lasting democracy. But more than ever, we must do so within the foundations laid by the principles and spirit of May/Labour Day: human and worker solidarity; internationalism; collective struggle, social justice and economic equality – all framed by a revolutionary love and caring for the oppressed.

Let us never lose sight of who we are, what we stand and fight for in the here and now and what kind of society we want to build. Times are tough but so are we. Together, we can overcome these crises and plant the seeds of a brighter future.

ONWARD EVER! A LUTA CONTINUA!

(Dr) Dale T. McKinley

*(Writer/researcher-educator and activist – International Labour, Research & Information Group, Johannesburg, South Africa)*

### **Alliance for Workers' Liberty (AWL), BRITAIN**

We send our greetings and solidarity to Lalit on May Day 2021. The global pandemic and the global climate emergency make global working-class solidarity even more important.

We have operated in lockdown or Covid restrictions for over a year, unable to organise meetings as usual. Much of the time workers have had difficulty even organising street protests as usual, though on 1 May this year we will be on the streets in the latest of a big series of protests all across the country against the government's new Police Bill.

Important planned strikes have been called off when workers have been furloughed or sent home to work or put in emergency mode, and bosses have used those circumstances to cut jobs and conditions.

We have sought to keep the labour movement, and especially the revolutionary Marxist wing of the labour movement which we seek to build, operating throughout as an essential service. A fight for measures of social solidarity is necessary both to make the covid-distancing measures recommended by scientists effective against the virus, and to limit their social costs.

We have fought for workers' control of workplace safety. In many workplaces workers have been able to use collective refusal to enter work areas they see as unsafe to gain better workplace precautions or to limit reopening.

We have fought for the right to full sick pay for all workers absent from work because of Covid quarantine regulations, and successfully won or defended that right in several areas.

We have campaigned for public requisitioning, under workers' scrutiny and control, of the resources and industries needed to limit the pandemic: PPE supplies, private hospitals, and vaccine patents and production.

The battle against vaccine nationalism, and for public requisitioning and control of Big Pharma, is an international battle.

Workers of the world, unite! Immediately, to pave the way for broader workers' unity: revolutionary socialists and Marxists of the world, unite!

Martin Thomas

Alliance for Workers' Liberty

### **Nouveau Parti Anticapitaliste (NPA), FRANCE**

Comrades of Lalit,

150 years ago, in France, workers stormed the sky with the Commune de Paris. In practice, they began a revolution against capitalism, establishing a self-organized society during 72 days.

Across time, the Commune is not only its failures, but a source of living inspiration, the first experience of popular emancipation and power, of the power of the exploited and oppressed, with all its limitations, but which speaks to us across the decades. And we realize that, 150 years later, it is an unresolved matter with the powers that be: The Commune still does not have a good press in the thinking of the ruling class, and we see to what point the attitudes that produced Versailles have not disappeared.

We can see the spirit of the Paris Commune and the fear of the ruling class with Black Lives Matter, #MeToo, the way in which women and racialized classes, all exploited and oppressed put in question capitalist states, in the resistance against Army in Myanmar, at Hong-Kong, in Algeria with the Hirak.



In France, in 2020, just before COVID crisis and lockdown, we had a strong movement against a capitalist pension reform, just one year after the yellow jackets' movement. And even for one year, we had also numerous demonstrations against police violence and racist crimes, against violence against women, against climate change.

In too numerous countries, Covid pandemic helps reactionary governments to drive hard policy against exploited and oppressed, protecting capitalist profits despite of our lives.

Nevertheless, everywhere, the old mole of the revolution is always digging its path.

Long live May 1<sup>st</sup>!

Long live international struggle of workers!

Léon Crémieux

Nouveau Parti Anticapitaliste (NPA)

### **Japan Revolutionary Communist League (Revolutionary Marxist Faction), JAPAN**

Comrades in Mauritius, for the international Labour Day, we are sending from Japan our warmest message of solidarity to you all.

We the JRCL are striving in the van of militant Japanese workers and students who are fighting against brutal attacks from the ruling class and its government. At present, main cities in Japan including Tokyo are under a 'state of emergency', which is the third time now. Amid the continued pandemic depression, Japanese workers are suffering from dismissals, wage cuts and other ruthless attacks by monopoly capitalists. Their hardships of life are becoming unbearable due to the rejection of compensation by the Yoshihide Suga-led government, which emphasizes 'self-help'. This is truly a policy of abandoning the masses and neo-fascistic in nature. The established leaderships of opposition movements have however submitted to the ruling class. Denouncing their degeneration, we are struggling to create a strong fight back of the toiling masses.

We are witnessing a terrible widening of 'gap between rich and poor' that we have never experienced before. This implies that capitalism in its terminal phase is revealing the cruelest class split. We call on workers of all countries to unite to fight against the capitalists who are attempting to survive the economic crisis at the sacrifice of the lives of the toiling masses and against the governments that support the greedy capitalists. Now is the time to fight together to open a new age.

We also ring an alarm. Now in waters around Taiwan and Japan, war vessels of Chinese and US-Japanese forces, together with their warplanes, are carrying out threatening actions against each other, thus creating a hair-trigger situation. In Okinawa, a southern island of Japan, located on the front line of rivalry, joint military drills of US and Japanese forces are being conducted almost everyday with jet and gun sounds roaring, while a new US Marine base is being constructed, trampling down the strong opposition of local people. East Asia is now a focus of the global confrontation between the neo-Stalinist state of China, which is ambitious to seize hegemony over the 21st-century world, and the imperialist state of America, which is hell-bent to contain it.

Here in Japan, we are resolutely promoting anti-war struggles against war preparations against China pushed forward jointly by US imperialism and the Japanese rulers as its ally.

No doubt, the military base on Diego Garcia, which UK and US imperialists constructed by expelling Chagossian people, is being strengthened for a new function as a front base amid the US-China rivalry intensifying in the Indo-Pacific region. Militant workers and youths in Japan are fighting in solidarity with you Mauritian comrades who have long been fighting against the military base. Let us create together an antiwar struggle to break through the crisis of war intensifying amid the US-China confrontation.

Akira Kato

For the Japan Revolutionary Communist League (Revolutionary Marxist Faction)

## Organizing Committee for a Democratic Revolutionary Left in the USA

May Day Greetings

Please accept the warmest greetings from the Organizing Committee for a Democratic Revolutionary Left in the USA. We are one of many collectives still struggling here in the heartland of imperialism for a world that will finally embrace equality and social justice for all, and as we do we applaud all those around the world who are similarly engaged.

Since May Day one year ago the world has been, and largely remains, on a pandemic lockdown, which makes our struggle both more difficult and more imperative. Wall Street has taken full advantage to carve out additional opportunities for the already super-rich to further enrich themselves, while oppressed minorities, women, and the poor are compelled, as always, to bear the brunt of the social/economic crisis brought on by the pandemic.

At the same time we have seen a few victories in the last year. At the present moment it seems appropriate to highlight the recent conviction of the racist cop who murdered George Floyd in Minneapolis, something that would never have happened without the mass outcry sparked by the Black Lives Matter movement in the USA and across the globe. A few months ago, in November 2020, a majority of voters in the USA rejected the most blatant racist, reactionary president the USA has ever known.

At the same time, of course, we are aware that Joseph Biden is not the answer. In the USA the system is rigged to make sure that the empire wins every election. The 2020 Presidential contest was no exception from that point of view.

And so the struggle continues.

On this May Day 2021, therefore, let us salute LALIT in Mauritius for all that you do as part of our global struggle. We follow your campaign for the liberation of Diego Garcia in particular because there are so many parallels with the anti-imperialist struggle in Puerto Rico, and thus feel a special link between our two organizations.

Let us join hands on this May Day 2021. Let us vow to honor the words of the song inspired by the life of Civil Rights leader Ella Baker: "We who believe in freedom cannot rest until it comes."

Steve Bloom

for the Organizing Committee for a Democratic Revolutionary Left in the USA

## Workers Own Party (İKEP), TURKEY

Dear Comrades from Mauritius;

We salute you on the occasion of 1st of May, on this international day of struggle of the working class. Here in Turkey we are struggling in order to build a mass workers party. The government in Turkey is fighting hard against the working class and the workers are facing even worse conditions every day. There has not been any protection for the working class against the corona pandemic, the factories were never closed in any of the so called "lockdowns" and Turkey is now one of the worst countries in death toll.

We as Workers Own Party (İKEP) are calling for a united and democratic workers party bringing together all working class tendencies that are for a political struggle of the working class independent from the state and the bosses.

We are sending you our best wishes and comradely greetings from Turkey.

Long live International Workers Day!

Long live the struggle of the working class!

Workers Own Party (İKEP)

Turkey

## **Lutte Ouvrière, FRANCE**

Dear comrades and friends,

As workers around the world will be doing, we will be demonstrating this May Day, in Paris and in many cities of France, for the international day of workers' struggle. Although France is a rich country, the pandemic has resulted in a sharp increase in unemployment, in the loss of income for many precarious people, in long queues for food aid and relief from charities. And the crisis is probably still at the beginning, as the government is considering ending some of the support that has been in place since the beginning of Covid.

This year we are celebrating the 150th anniversary of the Paris Commune of 1871. We claim the legacy of the Communards, who "stormed the heavens", as Marx put it, and organised workers' power for the first time. Even if this experience was short-lived and quelled in blood, it has inspired all the workers' militants since, and continues to be, along with the Russian Revolution of 1917, the proof that workers can lead society. Today, when capitalism is incapable, despite all the progress of science, of containing the pandemic, when there is a lack of vaccines and sometimes even of oxygen, it is more necessary than ever to affirm that the future lies in the emancipation of the workers.

All the best for May Day, and fraternally,

Michel Bondelet

Lutte ouvrière

## **Democratic Socialist of America (DSA), USA**

From the United States, and as a member of Democratic Socialist of America, I stand in solidarity with Lalit, and the struggles that it represents for justice and equality, for bringing the struggle of the working class against the bourgeoisie to the forefront while working to dismantle imperialism everywhere. Here in the US in DSA, we are working on housing justice for renters, workplace emergency organizing, and anti-racism. I stand in solidarity with Lalit's principles and campaigns!

Elsa Wiehe, Democratic Socialist of America (DSA)