

MESAZ INTERNASYONAL pu FET TRAVAY 2023

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kuma Namibi, Lafrans, Lamerik, Zapon, Lostrali.
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pu fer travayer sarye fardo resesyon ekonomik dan lemond.

Mesaz ***Marxist Group of Namibia***

Comrades of Lalit,

On behalf of the Marxist Group of Namibia, we bring you revolutionary greetings on this May Day 2023. Your theme of "Against capitalist dictatorship over our work" is so appropriate in this time of the dictatorship of the financial sector. Neoliberalism channels the social surplus to the private banks, instead of investment in job creation and infrastructure development. And, in contrast to the austerity diktats of the IMF, we support the expansion of the public sector to counter unemployment. Moreover, we are also of the view that we urgently need price controls on essential goods to address the cost-of-living crisis and the profit-driven inflation.

We remain inspired by the Yugoslavian socialist experiment with its democratic workplaces in the form of workers' councils and cooperatives. Working people must be able to practice democracy at the workplace. Ultimately, a grassroots socialism must end the dictatorship of the employer or manager over working people. Democratic participation is crucial to progress.

For May Day, we have been doing intensive research on the history of working class struggles in Namibia and submitted an article to The Namibian newspaper which is widely read in the country. Our article focuses on the early history of the Industrial and Commercial Workers' Union and the successful 1971 general strike that was motivated by the political slogan "cut the wire" – which referred to stopping the contract labour system. Of course, the challenge for the left-wing remains to cut the wire of the entire profit-driven system.

The struggle against capitalism continues!

Shaun Whittaker
Marxist Group of Namibia

Mesaz **Lutte Ouvrière**

Message pour Lalit – 1^{er} mai 2023

Chers camarades de Lalit,

Nous vous adressons nos fraternelles salutations révolutionnaires. En France, ces trois derniers mois ont été marqués par une vaste mobilisation du monde du travail contre une réforme injuste qui repousse l'âge de la retraite de 62 à 64 ans. Des millions de personnes ont fait grève et ont manifesté. Cette réforme n'avait qu'un seul but : économiser de l'argent pour pouvoir en distribuer encore plus aux entreprises capitalistes et aux plus riches. Pour cela, Macron et son gouvernement imposent aux égoutiers, aux éboueurs, aux manutentionnaires, aux auxiliaires de vie et aux personnels des hôpitaux, à toutes celles à tous ceux qui vivent de leur travail, d'y passer deux ans de plus ! Alors oui, les capitalistes exercent une dictature de fait contre les travailleurs. En France comme ailleurs, de nombreux travailleurs sont aussi en colère contre l'inflation qui réduit leur niveau de vie, alors que les salaires ne suivent pas. Les attaques se multiplient, sans parler des risques de guerre. Alors que celle-ci fait rage en Ukraine, le gouvernement français augmente les budgets militaires et prépare les esprits à une extension du conflit. A Mayotte, le vieil État colonial français pourchasse les pauvres et veut les déporter en masse vers les autres îles des Comores. Alors en ce 1^{er} mai plus que jamais, l'internationalisme est vital pour la classe ouvrière. Comme vous, nous défilerons, à Paris et dans de nombreuses villes de France, pour répéter que les travailleurs n'ont pas de patrie, et que leurs seuls ennemis sont les capitalistes.

Alors, camarades, bon 1^{er} mai, et bon courage pour la lutte !

Message signé Michel Bondelet pour Lutte Ouvrière

Mesaz ***NPA AUX CAMARADES DE LALIT***

Le NPA tient à vous saluer, camarades de Lalit et à vous envoyer notre message pour la journée internationale des travailleur-se-s. La situation internationale est marquée par les nombreuses crises que subissent en premier lieu les classes populaires, les classes ouvrières, à Maurice, en France et dans les différentes régions du monde.

L'inflation généralisée, l'augmentation des coûts de l'énergie vont de pair avec la montée de la spéculation capitaliste et la montée des difficultés de vie quotidienne pour les classes populaires.

Les dérèglements climatiques provoquent déjà des catastrophes meurtrières et mettent en péril les populations insulaires, alors que les grands pays capitalistes et les grands groupes continuent des politiques industrielles augmentant les gaz à effets de serre et les pollutions industrielles.

Enfin, l'invasion criminelle de l'Ukraine par l'armée de Poutine augmente depuis un an non seulement la souffrance du peuple ukrainien, mais aussi la montée des politiques militaristes des USA et de l'OTAN. Cela va de pair avec le maintien des politiques colonialistes, par exemple celle de la France à Mayotte, coupée de l'archipel des Comores par un coup de force juridique il y a 50 ans, où la police française veut, en ce moment même, expulser vers Anjouan plus de 20000 personnes, détruire 10% de l'habitat. Cette politique colonialiste et impérialiste, vous-mêmes la dénoncez depuis des dizaines d'années pour exiger la restitution de l'archipel des Chagos à Maurice, archipel occupé illégalement par la Grande Bretagne, avec le démantèlement de la base américaine de Diego Garcia et le retour des populations déportées. Nous saluons la campagne internationale que vous menez en ce sens et aussi votre action contre les lois discriminatoires que veut prendre le gouvernement MSM contre les résidents conjoints de Mauriciens.

Vous le savez, depuis plus de trois mois, en France, une grande mobilisation populaire mène le combat contre Macron et son gouvernement, contre une réforme néolibérale des retraites. Cette mobilisation fait partie du combat des exploités et des opprimés contre un système d'exploitation capitaliste qui exige plus que jamais la solidarité internationale face aux divisions.

Vive le 1^{er} Mai et le combat international contre l'exploitation capitaliste.

Pour la Direction du Nouveau parti anticapitaliste,

Léon Crémieux

Mesaz ***News and Letters Committees***

News and Letters Committees extends our solidarity to LALIT as it celebrates Labour Day. You will be commemorating the original May Day 1886 strike in Chicago, intended as the opening act of agitation for the eight-hour day by means of the general strike. You will also be

reminding the rulers that workers who see the contradictions of capitalism at the point of production and other forces of revolution from below including women and ethnic minorities have the power to rebuild society on human terms.

Marxist-Humanists stand in the tradition of Karl Marx, who hailed the revolutionaries of the 1871 Paris Commune, including those who did not call themselves Marxists. He cheered masses in motion anywhere fighting for freedom, from enslaved Blacks in the U.S. to Irish battling to drive out British imperialism and Polish revolutionaries resisting the Tsar.

From our founding in 1955, we have sought to recreate that vision of Marx, who found voices of freedom deeper and lower, identifying workers and others fighting capitalists within the U.S. while expressing solidarity with the 1956 Hungarian Revolution defying Russian state-capitalism. Solidarity without borders has been in short supply in uprisings of this generation in battles for self-determination in Bosnia and Ukraine and in revolutions against oppressive regimes propped up from abroad in Syria and Myanmar.

We salute LALIT for its work at the frontlines in Mauritius, both at the centre of inter-capitalist rivalries over the Indian Ocean, and where, until capitalism is overthrown, it not only sows destruction across the earth but befouls the world's oceans. We wish you success as you celebrate Labour Day.

News and Letters Committees
Chicago, Illinois USA
USA

Mesaz ***Socialist Organizer and The Organizer Newspaper***

Dear comrades and friends of LALIT,

On behalf of Socialist Organizer and The Organizer Newspaper, we send you revolutionary greetings on this May Day 2023.

We salute your courage and determination to shut down the U.S. Military Base in Diego Garcia. You are in the forefront of the international movement to shut down U.S. bases across Africa (Africom) and the world over.

We here in the belly of the imperialist beast support your effort at the same time that we wage a bitter struggle here in the United States to stop "the greatest purveyor of violence in the world," as the Rev. Martin Luther King so aptly described the role of the U.S. government throughout the world.

Staying the hand of an ever-greater rapacious system is our joint task -- from the imperialist provocation in Ukraine and its fueling of the war, which is not in the interests of the Russian or Ukrainian people, to the growing U.S. war threats on China ... and beyond.

Your fightback, which has been steadfast over many decades, inspires us here in the United States to not relent in the struggle against U.S. wars and interventions against working-class and oppressed peoples on all continents.

We are at your side, comrades!

In Unity and Struggle,

Alan Benjamin

Mesaz ***Japan Revolutionary Communist League***

Dear comrades of Mauritius,

On the occasion of Labour Day, we are sending our warm message of solidarity to all workers in Mauritius.

Everywhere in the world, capitalists are imposing harsh sacrifices on the toiling masses in a bid to survive their crisis. Skyrocketing prices, unbearable intensification of labour, boundless deterioration of labour conditions, and so on. As you are striving, we, revolutionary and militant workers in Japan, too, are fighting to shutter them, while denouncing pro-capitalist labour aristocrats and degenerate leaders in trade unions.

We are also fighting against a drastic strengthening of the US-Japan military alliance against China, exemplified in the construction of a new US military base in the Okinawa Island. In solidarity with you in a struggle to remove the US / UK base on Diego Garcia, we are determined to keep fighting. Let us fight to break through the danger of a global nuclear war arising from the confrontation between US imperialism and China tied with Russia.

Since February last year, we have been resolutely promoting antiwar struggles against Russia's aggression in Ukraine. Putin-led Russian troops are indiscriminately murdering, torturing and detaining Ukrainian people, while they are destroying houses and social infrastructures. Putin's goal is to eliminate the very existence of Ukraine. Against this, Ukrainians, with working people in the van, are waging unbending battles with a firm resolve to reject recognizing themselves as servants of 'Great Russia' like in the past, as slaves under the rule of the Stalinist Soviet Union. This struggle to crush Putin's war is at the same time a struggle to carve out the future of the world working class. We fight in firm solidarity with Ukrainian people in resistance.

Putin shouts arrogantly, 'Ukraine is a historical part of Russia' and 'There is no nation worthy to be called Ukraine', thus carrying out a brutal war aimed to seize Ukrainian territories. Denounce this 'revival of Hitler', a 'scion of Stalin'!

Working class people all over the world! Let us fight in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. Let us fight in solidarity with those Russian people who keep on fighting persistently despite authoritarian repression under the Putin regime!

Based on proletarian humanism and under the banner of proletarian internationalism, let us carve out the brilliant future of the working class!

Akira Kato

Japan Revolutionary Communist League (Revolutionary Marxist Faction)

Mesaz **Red Ant**

Dear comrades and friends of LALIT,

We send you warm fraternal and comradely greetings from the other side of the Indian Ocean – in Australia.

Here, we also sit in the Asia Pacific region – despite the attempts by the spin doctors at the Pentagon in the United States to rename this region the “Indo-Pacific”. Their new name reflects the efforts of US imperialism and its allies, like Australia, to erase and undermine China, and also to forge an alliance with India (aimed at China). Modi’s India is apparently considered a beacon of democracy by imperialism.

The Australian Labor Government, as you may know, wishes to acquire a fleet of nuclear-powered submarines. The point of having nuclear propulsion is so the boats have an essentially unlimited range. They could threaten any country in the world. Though, of course, their real purpose is to threaten China. Australia is also sending military equipment and other aid to Ukraine to assist NATO with its proxy war against Russia.

China is a country that has never threatened Australia (or the US, UK or Japan) but is increasingly besieged by them. Here in Australia, where the labour movement and the working class has a history of national chauvinism and racism, Red Ant is campaigning for the slogan, “China is not our Enemy”.

The huge waste of government money on militarism is happening when living- standards are going backwards. That, and the reality that Australia is not threatened by any country, may make it possible to organise increasing numbers of workers and students against the nuclear submarines and imperialism’s dangerous drive to war.

We can also note a positive development inside the United States – at least within the important domain of far-left organising. There, a clearly anti-imperialist revolutionary socialist organisation – the Party for Socialism and Liberation (PSL) – has, over the last few years, emerged as the largest and most high profile grouping on the far left. This is an important breakthrough, that bodes well for building anti- imperialist struggle into the future.

In Australia, we have not reached that situation yet. Though since the establishment of Red Ant we now have an organisation that is working towards it.

In contrast to the tradition in Mauritius, not even the Australian Labor Party mobilizes for May 1 (and in any case does not really have an active membership), let alone any other bourgeois parties. Nor do most trade unions. May 1 also requires rebuilding here.

However, we can report some positive steps for Red Ant. We have continued to slowly recruit new members to our group. In practice, so far, this has been a process of reconnecting people who were either schooled in the now defunct, anti-imperialist party – the Democratic Socialist Party (DSP) – or who have experience in another anti-imperialist revolutionary tradition.

We have confirmed our second national conference will be held in Melbourne on September 9th to 11th this year. One discussion will be the impact of the long period of neo-liberal globalisation of the production process and division of labour, on the composition, structure and outlook of the working class in Global North and Global South societies.

For us at Red Ant, imperialism's division of labour and exploitation of the Global South societies are not issues that can be put to one side or wished away – as the social chauvinists here want to do.

Imperialist exploitation and division of the world into exploiting and exploiter societies is the key to understanding why revolutions have not yet occurred inside the imperialist countries since the second world war.

Following Lenin, we don't at all think imperial privilege makes socialist revolution impossible in places like Australia. On the contrary, our starting point is that to make revolution we have to squarely face reality. Having the support and collaboration with our comrades at LALIT is big help in doing that. We wish you all the strength and resolve on this special day.

Sam King

For Red Ant, Australia