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MANIFESTO OF THE AZANIAN PEOPLE

Our struggle for national liberation is directed against the historically evolved system of racism and capitalism which holds the people of Azania in bondage for the benefit of the small minority of the population, i.e. the capitalists and their allies, the white workers and the reactionary sections of the middle classes. The struggle against apartheid, therefore, is no more than the point of departure for our liberatory efforts.

The Black working class inspired by revolutionary consciousness is the driving force of our struggle for national self-determination in a unitary Azania. They alone can end the system as it stands today because they alone have nothing at all to lose. They have a world to gain in a democratic, anti-racist and socialist Azania, where the interests of the workers shall be paramount through worker control of the means of production, distribution and exchange. In the socialist republic of Azania the land and all that belongs to it shall be wholly owned and controlled by the Azanian people. The usage of the land and all that accrues to it shall be aimed at ending all exploitation.

It is the historic task of the Black working class and its organizations to mobilise the oppressed people in order to put an end to the system of oppression and exploitation by the white ruling class.

OUR PRINCIPLES

Successful conduct of the national liberation struggle depends on the firm basis of principle whereby we will ensure that the liberation struggle will not be turned against our people by treacherous and opportunistic "leaders" and liberal influences. The most important of these principles are:

Anti-racism, anti-imperialism and anti-sexism.

Anti-collaboration with the ruling class and all its allies and political instruments.

Independent working class organization, free from bourgeois influences.

OUR RIGHTS

In accordance with these principles the following rights shall be entrenched in Azania.

The right to work.

State provision of free and compulsory education for all. Education shall be geared towards liberating the Azanian people from all oppression, exploitation and ignorance.

State provision of adequate and decent housing for all.

State provision of free health, legal, recreational and other community services that will respond positively to the needs of the people.

OUR PLEDGES

In order to bring into effect these rights of the Azanian people, we pledge ourselves to struggle tirelessly for:

The abolition of all laws, institutions and attitudes that discriminate against our people on the basis of colour, sex, religion, language or class.
The re-integration of the bantustan human dumping grounds into a unitary Azania.

The formation of trade unions that will heighten revolutionary worker consciousness.

The development of one national culture informed by socialist values.

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