

# **Indictment of African People's Socialist Party is a racist assault on the Black Liberation Movement**

written by Struggle - La Lucha

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The Black Alliance for Peace (BAP) unequivocally condemns and opposes the recent indictment of four members of the African People's Socialist Party (APSP), alongside three Russian nationals.

The unsealed indictment states that on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, a federal grand jury in Tampa, Florida, levied charges of "conspiring to covertly sow discord in U.S.

society, spread Russian propaganda and interfere illegally in U.S. elections.” While no evidence of conspiracy, propagandizing, or interference has been presented, the APSP and its members have the right, as all U.S. citizens do, to freely criticize U.S. domestic and foreign policy.

Not since the Palmer Raids of the early 20th century, nor since the indictment of W.E.B DuBois in 1951, or the confiscation of Paul Robeson’s U.S. passport during the anti-communist “McCarthyist” era, has there been such a hysterical response to African people asserting their rights and freedom of speech in the United States. This renewed attack against anti-imperialist Africans, framed within the absurd notion of “Russian influence,” comes as capitalism decays and U.S. global hegemony loses its hold on the world. The attacks on the APSP and the Uhuru Movement are part of a historical tendency to align African political activists with U.S. “adversary” states to marginalize African internationalism (including solidarity with Cuba and Palestine, for example) and to suppress Black radicalism.

It is also an assault on the efforts of Africans organizing against the violence and murders suffered at the hands of the U.S. state. Indeed, Africans do not need Russia to tell them they are suffering the brunt of violence in the heart of the U.S. empire!

BAP demands the indictment be dismissed, and Uhuru must be free!

For further reading on this case, please read BAP’s [July 30 statement](#) that commented on the initial FBI raid of the APSP’s properties.

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# **New York holds emergency rally for police victim in Bed-Stuy**

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New York, NY - On April 17, around 30 people came out for an emergency rally led by the New York Community Action Project (NYCAP) at Herbert Von King Park in Brooklyn, to demand justice for Caesar Robinson, a 78-year-old Black man, murdered by New York Police Department officers in his Bedford-Stuyvesant home.

On April 13, officers from the 81st Precinct responded to a call from Caesar Robinson's nephew claiming that someone was attempting to break into his uncle's apartment. Robinson opened the door when they arrived, and NYPD claims that he had a gun and pointed it at the officers, who shot him six times. There was no report of any de-escalation, and NYPD has yet to release the name of the officers involved or the body cam footage.

The rally began with Jessica Schwartz, a member of NYCAP, leading the crowd with a chant, "Justice for Caesar Robinson!" Other members of NYCAP held up graphics

that read, “Fire killer cops.” They passed out fliers to people within the crowd and people passing by.

NYCAP member Briony Smith kicked off the speeches and fired the crowd up, stating, “We are furious that yet again, a man is dead, in another senseless, brutal tragedy,” and ended chanting, “No justice, no peace!” Next, Michela Martinazzi spoke about specific police officers from the 79th Precinct who had several complaints filed against them. Yet, taxes are contributing to their six-figure salaries.

The same day that Caesar Robinson was murdered, NYPD also shot a man in the Bronx and the Queens. Daniel Espo of NYCAP spoke about these shootings and other NYPD murders, such as Sofia Gomez and Ronald Anthony Smith, who were both struck by NYPD vehicles.

A speaker from the December 12 Movement, a long-standing Black organization in Bed-Stuy, also came to speak and demanded that Black people have control over their community.

The final speech by a NYCAP member ended with demanding police accountability and chanting, “Fire all killer cops!”

NYCAP will be continuing to demand justice for Caesar Robinson, the release of the body cam footage, and names of the police officers that murdered him as they begin to launch their new campaign to fire killer cops in Brooklyn.

Source: [FightBack! News](#)



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# Fred Goldstein ¡presente!

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Fred Goldstein, 84, died after a long illness on April 11, 2023. He is survived by his partner of 57 years, Naomi Cohen Goldstein, and their daughter, Lila Natalie Goldstein, as well as a daughter from a prior marriage.

Fred was the author of *Low-Wage Capitalism: Colossus with Feet of Clay*, published in 2008. The book describes in sweeping detail the devastating effect of new technology on the multinational working class, leading to the fundamental and irreversible restructuring of global capitalism in the post-Soviet era. The result, Fred argued, was a “race to the bottom” for workers in all the capitalist countries, creating the material basis for future social upheaval. *Capitalism at a Dead End: Job destruction, overproduction, and crisis in the high-tech era* was published in 2012. The latter work was translated and published in Spanish and Korean.

Fred analyzed political events from a Marxist perspective and authored important essays on the meaning of the collapse of the Soviet Union as well as an analysis of the class character of China. He brought an anti-imperialist perspective to all his

work and was passionate about the need to end all forms of capitalist exploitation and oppression. Fred was invited to speak at a number of international conferences, and a high point of his life was to travel to Cuba in 2008 to address the IV International Conference entitled “The Work of Karl Marx and the Challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.” He also wrote countless articles for Workers World newspaper and collaborated closely with Naomi, who read, discussed, and edited all his writings. Some of his works will be submitted for publication on the Marxists Internet Archive in the coming months.

Part of the revolutionary youth movement of the 1960s, Fred was inspired by the rising liberation movements in Asia, Africa, and Latin America, as well as the struggle against racism in the U.S. While a student at City College in New York City, Fred was a founding member of Youth Against War & Fascism and in 1962 helped to organize the first demonstration in the U.S. against the war in Vietnam. He was a dynamic speaker and teacher, as well as a tireless organizer who had a gift for connecting meaningfully with people. In spite of the great difficulties now facing the multinational working class and oppressed in the U.S. and around the world, he remained a revolutionary optimist to the end.

Fred’s interests were broader than simply the politics of the day, however. He studied world history and literature; he loved art and music, drinking coffee, and playing word games. He was an accomplished, self-taught carpenter, designing and building furniture. Fred cooked delicious, healthy food and, late in life, became a bread baker. “Fred’s bread” was legendary in the family. Cooking and eating together with his daughters and granddaughters was one of the joys of his life.

Fred loved both telling and listening to stories. A family pastime was finding humor in retelling day-to-day mishaps and misadventures, like when the car broke down at the height of rush hour traffic in the Lincoln Tunnel or when lightning struck on a family canoe trip. Fred rode his bicycle everywhere and loved to go camping and

hiking. He and Naomi took the girls on adventurous trips and enjoyed showing them how to explore the outdoors. He had a great sense of comedic timing and told Jewish jokes like a stand-up comedian. Laughing together with Fred was a joy and made everything better.

Fred loved his family and was proud that, in their own way, all are part of the current struggles for social justice and dedicate themselves to the idea that a better world is not only possible but also urgently needed.

Source: [lowwagecapitalism.com](http://lowwagecapitalism.com)

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Some of [Fred Goldstein's works on Struggle-La Lucha:](https://www.struggle-la-lucha.org/2023/04/page/3/)

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## Fascists threaten, Biden concedes: Organize & fight for trans rights!

By Melinda Butterfield

The Trans Day of Vengeance was a long-planned protest in Washington, D.C., scheduled for April 1. People were coming to D.C. from across the country to participate. It was called in response to the growing legal and extralegal violence against the transgender community, egged on by far-right politicians and corporate media.

In the words of event initiator Tsakuru Foris, as reported by Struggle-La Lucha: "Vengeance means fighting back with vengeance. It is our battle cry to declare to the world that we the transgender/non-binary communities will neither be silenced nor eradicated. And we are calling to our allies, members of other marginalized communities to make themselves known and to fight with us."

On March 30, organizers were forced to cancel two days before the event because of "a credible threat to life and safety." The reason: fascist mouthpieces like Tucker Carlson and other social-media bottom feeders whipped up a hate campaign targeting the event, falsely claiming it had caused a mass shooting at a Christian school in Nashville, Tennessee, on March 27, where three students and three staff members were killed.

The alleged shooter was Aiden Hale, a former student of the school who happened to be a trans man. Hale was shot dead by police. He was consistently misgendered and deadnamed for the first 24-48 hours after the tragedy, and some right-wing social media used this to claim that Hale was a trans woman.

According to the Gun Violence Archive, by the end of March 2023 – that is, in just three months – there have been at least 130 mass shootings in the United States this year. The Nashville shooting is the only one reported to have been carried out by a trans person.

And yet, according to the right-wing, from Fox News and the New York Post to internet-famous white supremacists, Hale's acts rep-

resented the "dangerous" nature of the whole trans community, and particularly the planned April 1 civil rights protest.

At least two specific threats to the Trans Day of Vengeance march took the form of mass shootings. According to independent anti-fascist researchers working with the John Brown Gun Club DMV, a Minnesota-based white supremacist named Adam Murray made credible threats to the event. After this was reported to the FBI, Murray was briefly detained in Baltimore and then released.

Another white supremacist said to be one Benjamin Ryder of Pennsylvania, was detained by police when he pulled out a gun outside the Supreme Court on April 1, where the Trans Day of Vengeance march had been scheduled to gather.

The right-wing tried to turn the Nashville tragedy into a Reichstag fire moment to frame up the entire trans community and justify the acts of violence it encouraged from stooges like Murray and Ryder – who much more fit the profile of the typical U.S. mass shooter.

### Biden's concession fuels attacks

On March 25, a member of the "White Lives Matter" neo-Nazi group attempted to firebomb the Community Church of Chesterland, Ohio, for hosting a drag story hour. Just a week before, the Nazis staged an anti-trans, anti-drag demonstration in the Ohio town of Wadsworth, chanting, "There will be blood."



ILLUSTRATION: MELINDA BUTTERFIELD

Tasiyah Woodland, an 18-year-old Black trans woman, killed in Baltimore on March 24, was remembered at the Queer and Trans Youth Autonomy March in Washington, D.C., on March 31. Black trans women are murdered in disproportionately high numbers.

### Help send a LGBTQ+ delegation to CUBA

- Trans protest shuts down Hollywood traffic
- Trans youth & families flood Washington D.C. streets
- New Orleans high school students walk out

ILLUSTRATION: MAGGIE VASCA/SENNO

So far this year, 450 anti-trans bills have been introduced in state legislatures across the U.S. Some 14 states have banned life-saving gender-affirming care for trans youth, with more expected to join them. In addition, bans on trans youth participation in school sports and use of school restrooms have been enacted.

On April 5, Kansas passed a law explicitly aimed at trans girls and young women that could require genital inspections for participation in sports programs. Florida

and other states are expected to follow suit. Tennessee, where the March 27 shooting took place, is one of the worst offenders, even enacting a so-called "drag ban" that places the public existence of trans people in jeopardy.

On March 31, International Trans Day of Visibility, President Joe Biden repeated his occasional claim to support "love, dignity and respect" for trans people. Yet less than a week later, the Washington

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# French workers take to the streets as Macron's pension reform becomes law

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Spontaneous protests broke out in France on April 14, Friday, after the country's Constitutional Council ratified the increase in the retirement age from 62 to 64, the most controversial aspect of the pension reforms pushed by the Emmanuel Macron-led government. Macron signed the bill into law early on Saturday.

Even though the Council struck down certain provisions of the bill, it also rejected the first version of the Referendum of Shared Initiative (RIP) on the implementation of the reforms. The proposal for the referendum was submitted by the MPs from the left-wing New Ecologic and Social Peoples Union's (NUPES) coalition. The Constitutional Council will decide on a second RIP on May 3.

The coordination of the trade unions, which includes the General Confederation of Labor (CGT), called for protests to continue until the 'reforms' are rolled back. A fresh round of protests is scheduled for May 1

On April 13, in the twelfth round of major mobilization, hundreds of thousands of people took part in 280 demonstrations and rallies across the country against the reforms, and demanded a referendum. At several places, the police attacked the protesters brutally.

The pension reforms were announced by French Prime Minister Elisabeth Borne on January 10 this year. They stipulate the phased raising of the retirement age in France from 62 to 64, at the rate of three months per year, from September 1, 2023

until 2030. In order to get a full-rate pension, workers will have to work for 43 years instead of the current 42. This provision will come into effect fully by 2027.

Since January, massive protests have been organized against the reforms by trade unions and the left-wing coalition New Ecologic and Social Peoples Union's (NUPES). On March 16, Prime Minister Borne invoked the emergency provision Article 49.3 of the constitution to bypass voting in the National Assembly and passed the law. The government managed to [survive](#) a vote of no-confidence on March 20 by just nine votes.

On April 14, Friday evening, Ian Brossat spokesman of the French Communist Party (PCF) [said](#). “A bad reform does not become good once the Constitutional Council has validated it. It has no popular legitimacy. The only way out: social mobilization and the referendum.”

NUPES leader Jean-Luc Mélenchon [tweeted](#) that “the decision of the Constitutional Council shows that it is more attentive to the needs of the presidential monarchy than to those of the sovereign people. The struggle continues and must gather its forces.”

Source: [Peoples Dispatch](#)



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# The new banking crisis

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As Marxist economist Sam Williams discusses on his "[Critique of Crisis Theory](#)" blog, in early March, Silicon Valley Bank (SVB) in California — the "favorite bank of the area's tech companies and associated venture capitalists" — announced it was selling its government bonds to raise cash. Fearful that their deposits were in danger, there was a run on the bank, forcing the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to shut the bank down.

Around the same time, two other banks collapsed. The California Silvergate Bank wound up operations, and the New York-based Signature Bank was shut down by the FDIC. As Williams reported, these banks were "heavily involved in lending to cryptocurrency companies," and the problems leading to their collapse "could be traced back to the [collapse of Sam Bankman-Fried's FTX cryptocurrency exchange](#) last year."

While the collapse of the latter wasn't directly related to the collapse of SVB, they added to the jitters that spread to the whole banking system in the United States

and internationally.

The crisis at Credit Suisse led to another Swiss bank taking it over. Problems at Germany's Deutsche Bank led to big stock losses.

## Big deposits propped up

Under US law, Williams writes, bank deposits are insured up to US\$250,000 — to protect small- and medium-sized deposits. Most of SVB's deposits came from tech companies and venture capitalists, and were much higher. Despite this, the FDIC rapidly announced that all deposits would be fully covered.

The big commercial banks, says Williams, "will be asked to cough up the money to make up for the massive losses FDIC will incur by paying off large capitalist deposit owners." This applies to SVB and any further bank collapses.

One of the functions of money is that it is used as currency. But, as Williams writes, coins "are now almost worthless as currency except in large quantities or for making change." Even Federal Reserve Notes — dollar bills — buy little these days.

"Today people use their bank accounts as a day-to-day currency that circulates through credit cards, debit cards, and smartphones — to purchase weekly groceries (and morning coffee)," writes Williams. "If a run on the banks paralyzed the banking system, even if only for a short time, the circulation of commodities would contract to an extent impossible at earlier stages of capitalist development."

The FDIC hopes to stave off such a general collapse of the currency system, writes Williams, which "would lead to an economic crisis worse than the bank runs of 1931–33," which "marked the transformation of the recession that began in 1929 into the Great Depression."

## Extortion

This threat gives the capitalist class great extortion power, writes Williams, to “insist that the FDIC, the Federal Reserve System or the Treasury bail out large depositors.”

The Joe Biden administration complied and “wasted no time in claiming the taxpayer — unlike in 2008 — would not have to pay anything” for the bailout “because the losses incurred by the FDIC would be paid with a special levy on the commercial banks,” writes Williams.

However, Williams notes, “the levy would tend to contract bank credit. If this happens the world economies — including in the US — would sink into a deep recession, causing mass layoffs within a few months”.

“And there’s another danger if the capitalists become convinced their bank deposits are as good as the dollar bills issued by the Federal Reserve Banks,” writes Williams. “In that case, they may decide Federal Reserve Notes are no more secure than bank deposits without the FDIC, Federal Reserve, and government guarantees. This would trigger a run on the dollar and paper currencies linked to it under the dollar-centred international monetary system into gold, the money commodity ... This danger is real, as shown by the movement of the dollar price of gold since the crisis began.”

This would lead to stagflation, as occurred in the 1970s, and then to a severe recession.

Such a scenario could happen if the Federal Reserve eases up interest rates to contain the crisis by printing more money (known as quantitative easing) in a bid to “secure a soft landing from the COVID aftermath boom,” writes Williams.

“In the current crisis, the Federal Reserve is forced to prop up bank deposits as the

currency system on one side while staving off the collapse of the [dollar-centred] international monetary system on the other. These are contradictory goals.”

## **Overproduction**

The cause of the current crisis is the overproduction of commodities in the COVID-aftermath boom.

After the 2007–09 bank crisis and Great Recession, capitalists were cautious about accumulating inventories and investing, writes Williams. “This prevented a new worldwide overproduction crisis for years, at the price of lingering unemployment and eroding living standards. However, by late 2019 signs of overproduction were again developing, causing a spike in interest rates, though the situation had not yet reached a crisis.

“But then came COVID. In March 2020, the ruling class feared the virus would decimate the working-class population to such an extent their ability to squeeze surplus value out of the survivors would be impaired. They used state power to shut down much of the economy, throwing millions out of work overnight.”

The COVID shutdowns also caused a forced underproduction of commodities and reduction of inventories, writes Williams. When the shutdowns were eased, the boom began to rebuild inventories as demand for commodities soared. Demand exceeded supply at prevailing prices, resulting in high prices and higher profits. There was a rise in demand for labor power. But wages didn’t keep up with inflation, so real wages declined.

## **Inflation**

The mainstream media and economists try to convince us that wage rises cause inflation, but the opposite is true. Workers’ wages struggle to keep up with inflation, which has other causes.

"The Federal Reserve System, headed by [Donald] Trump appointee Jerome Powell, hoped that inflation would disappear as the economy reopened," writes Williams. But once set in motion, what economists call "multiplier and accelerator effects" accelerate a boom and its associated inflation "until they run into the barrier of a shortage of ready cash."

"At that point, they go into reverse. The boom is replaced by recession to liquidate overproduction at the price of millions of jobs," writes Williams.

Banks use their customer deposits to make loans and make money off the spread between what interest they charge on their loans and the interest they pay on deposits. But financial institutions are currently facing a changing economic climate, in which the free-money era of ultra-low interest rates has ended as the Federal Reserve tries to rein in inflation by making it more expensive to borrow.

The result caught Silicon Valley Bank unable to service its depositors.

### **Middle way?**

The Federal Reserve System faces a quandary: If it creates more dollars not backed by gold to keep the boom going, profits in dollar terms would remain high for a while but turn negative in gold terms. This would cause capitalists to transform as much of their capital as possible into gold. The resulting run to gold would accelerate dollar inflation and threaten to bring down the dollar-centered international monetary system.

On the other hand, if the Federal Reserve allows the bank money system to become paralyzed by bank runs, the dollar would be saved, but the economy would fall into a second Great Depression.

So the Federal Reserve is attempting to find a middle way: to keep the system of bank deposits as currency functioning without bringing down the dollar's role as the

world currency — and other currencies linked to it.

The aim is to achieve a relatively soft landing, even if that means a recession with millions losing their jobs. But if the Federal Reserve is successful, it will keep a recession from turning into a depression while saving the international monetary system.

Whether the Federal Reserve can pull it off this time remains to be seen. But even if it does, the world will face a similar crisis again in a decade or so.

Source: [Green Left](#)



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## **New Orleans: International Workers' Day - Legalization for All, May 1**

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# INTERNATIONAL WORKERS DAY

## LEGALIZATION FOR ALL!

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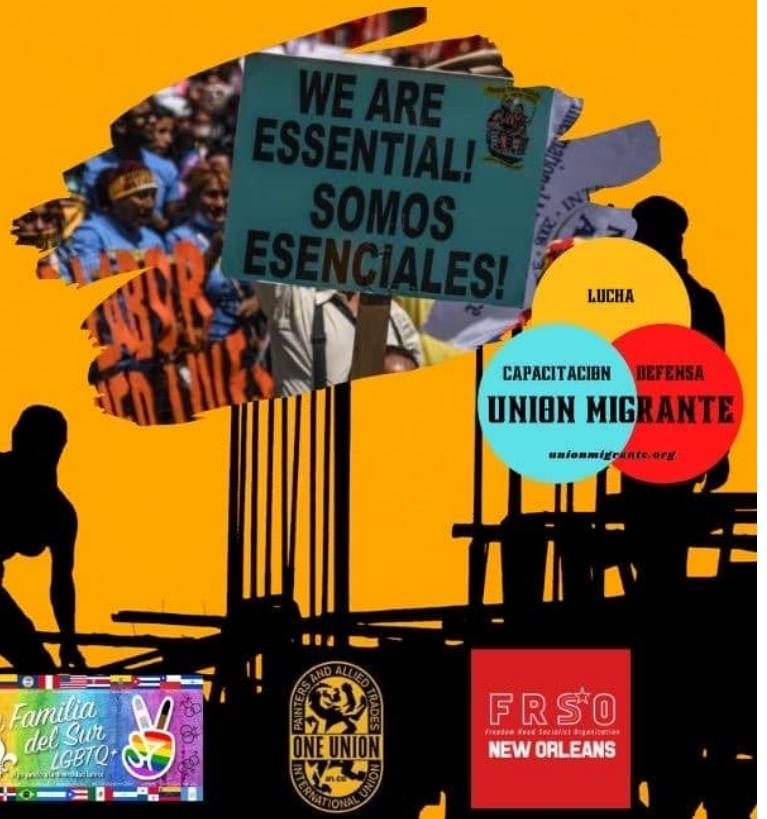
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HALL)



Monday, May 1 - 5:00 p.m.

Basin and Conti St. (at the Benito Juárez statue), New Orleans, LA

On May Day,

Show Solidarity with Migrant Workers

Alongside millions of others around the world, we will be in the streets on May 1 to push forward the struggle for workers' rights.

This May Day, we march especially for the rights of our migrant brothers and sisters here in Louisiana.

Whether on farms or in construction, in the home or in hospitals, clinics, etc., migrant workers carry society on their backs. Yet millions of our migrant siblings suffer from low wages, workplace abuses (including the threat of detention or deportation), and from the denial of basic social benefits like food stamps, housing subsidies, and healthcare coverage. All while they pay billions in taxes every year.

Never content with the billions in profits they get from unpaid labor of workers, the capitalists are ramping up the exploitation and racist scapegoating of our migrant siblings. Biden is moving to revive the policy of caging families in horrific ICE prisons, where immigrants can now be held indefinitely, according to a recent ruling by the Supreme Court. Congress is considering a bill to cut the already criminally low wages of farmworkers. Candidate-for-governor and Attorney General Jeff Landry is threatening immigrant rights groups and trying to whip up anti-immigrant hatred while he rakes in millions from the exploitation of migrant workers.

A united working class fightback is needed to push back the capitalists and their paid-off politicians.

Fight for Workers' Rights, Demand Legalization for All

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# **San Francisco: Global Action to Stop US Nuke Sub Base in Australian Port Kembla and AUKUS, May 6**

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# All Out On May 6th!



**Global Action To Stop US Nuke Sub Base  
in Australian Port Kembla and  
AUKUS (US/UK/Australia Military Alliance)**

**May 6, 12:00 noon  
San Francisco Australia Consultate  
575 Market St, San Francisco, CA 94105**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2023 AT NOON

All Out on May 6 for Global Action to Stop U.S. Nuke Sub Base in Australian Port Kembla and AUKUS

575 Market St, San Francisco

# All Out On May 6, 2023

## **For Global Action To Stop U.S. Nuke Sub Base in Australian Port Kembla And AUKUS U.S./UK/Australia Military Alliance**

May 6, 2023, 12:00 noon

San Francisco Australia Consultate  
575 Market St, San Francisco, CA 94105

The U.S. Biden government with the support of both Democrats and the Republicans is preparing for war against China and has set up Aukus, a trilateral “security” pact between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

As part of this pact, the U.S. now wants to destroy the Australian MUA-organized Port of Kembla and build a nuclear submarine base which would threaten the survival of the unionized port as a commercial port.

The unions and community have had a development plan for renewable energy projects employing thousands of workers and this Nuke base would destroy this initiative.

On May 6, 2023, there will be a rally at the Port Kembla organized by the trades council with the support of the MUA and community . There will be a workers' community march to the NSW city of Port Kembla to oppose its use as a base for a future submarine fleet.

“The battle for Port Kembla has begun,” said Arthur Rorris, the secretary of the South Coast Labour Council, a longstanding Labor member and one of the organizers of the annual march.”

Around the world, we must support our Brothers, Sisters, and Siblings at the Port of Kembla.

Workers and people around the world need to organize against the militarization of Asia need to unite against this new U.S. nuclear base in Australia and the reactionary AUKUS agreement.

The U.S. and the UK, with Japan and Australia, are working double time to surround China a provoke another war in Asia.

While millions of U.S. people have no healthcare, face homelessness and hunger the U.S. and it's military-industrial complex is pushing Australia and the world to prepare for world war.

We support worldwide demonstrations against this new proposed NUKE base in Port Kembla, which the Australian Labor Party leadership along with Biden administration, Democrats and Republicans are pushing toward a new world war and only workers and the people can stop this new U.S. base and a world war.

Initiated by United Front Committee For A Labor Party

Endorsed by No Nukes Action, Code Pink, Michael Wong Vice President of VFP \*, Workers World Party

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'It's not Fort Kembla': Labor Protesters plan May Day march against AUKUS

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Australian Union opposition to AUKUS

MUA

2021 Statement: No Nuclear Subs, No AUKUS, No War on China

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New South Wales Teacher Federation

Federation opposes AUKUS - 20 March 2023

<https://www.nswtf.org.au/.../03/20/federation-opposes-aukus/>

"It is a deep commitment to peace that guides the NSW Teachers Federation's opposition to militarism and belief that war should never be used to resolve international conflict. There have been too many times in history when warmongering and armaments build-up have led to international conflict, death and destruction.

Federation opposes AUKUS and joins the growing chorus of concern that the AUKUS security pact Australia signed with the U.S.A and the UK compromises the pursuit of an independent foreign policy and has the potential to drag Australia once again into foreign conflict and war."

ETU (ELECTRICAL TRADE UNION)

<https://www.smh.com.au/.../albanese-wong-return-fire-at...>

"A spokesman for the Electrical Trades Union confirmed his union also opposed the deal: "While the ETU respects the federal government's obligation to strike security agreements that protect our national interest, electricians and engineers have a deep and long-standing health and safety concerns about nuclear technology and remain opposed to its use in Australia."

<https://www.etunational.asn.au/.../etu-fights-for.../>

"The AUKUS submarines will be powered by nuclear technology, which betrays

Australia's non-nuclear policy and opens doors to a dangerous and unnecessary domestic nuclear power industry, weapons proliferation and regional arms race.

The ETU is strongly against the deployment of nuclear power in Australia because of the risks associated with the mining and extraction of uranium, the huge build costs, the terrible and deadly consequences to environmental and human health when incidents occur and its potential to take us down the path of devastating weaponry."

Speech by State Secretary of Qld/NT Electrical Trades Union slams AUKUS deal - 2nd April 2023

<https://ipan.org.au/state-secretary-of-qld-nt-electrical.../>

NTEU

Statement from Sept 2021 opposing AUKUS on nuclear non-proliferation grounds.

<https://ipan.org.au/national-tertiary-education-union.../>

Unions NSW (Peak Union Body in New South Wales)

Motion Against AUKUS passed by Unions NSW in April 2022

Unions New South Wales passed the following motion at its general meeting in April. (Note: Still a Federal Liberal Gov at this stage)

"Unions NSW declares its total opposition to the reckless announcement by Prime Minister Scott Morrison that Australia would be developing nuclear-powered submarines as part of a military alliance with the U.S. and UK."

<https://www.greenleft.org.au/.../unions-nsw-opposes...>

Article on split in Union movement over AUKUS

"Individual unions have been split over the AUKUS proposal. The Maritime Union has been a participant in the "Anti-AUKUS coalition" of peace and environmental activists that has protested against the pact.

The South Coast Labour Council is also marshaling opposition to the prospect that Port Kembla will be named the location for an east coast submarine base.

But the Australian Manufacturing Workers Union and Professionals Australia, which represents engineers, stand to benefit from the creation of thousands of secure and highly paid jobs building and maintaining submarines, while the Australian Workers Union has seized on nuclear-powered submarines being the stepping stone to the development of a domestic nuclear energy industry."

<https://www.afr.com/.../unions-fire-warning-over-aukus...>

ACTU

President of ACTU says unions oppose nuclear energy in Australia but leaves them room to back AUKUS by saying it will be “reviewed” by affiliates in next few months.  
<https://www.news.com.au/.../b2c607ab41db26dd3883359fcd227b4e>

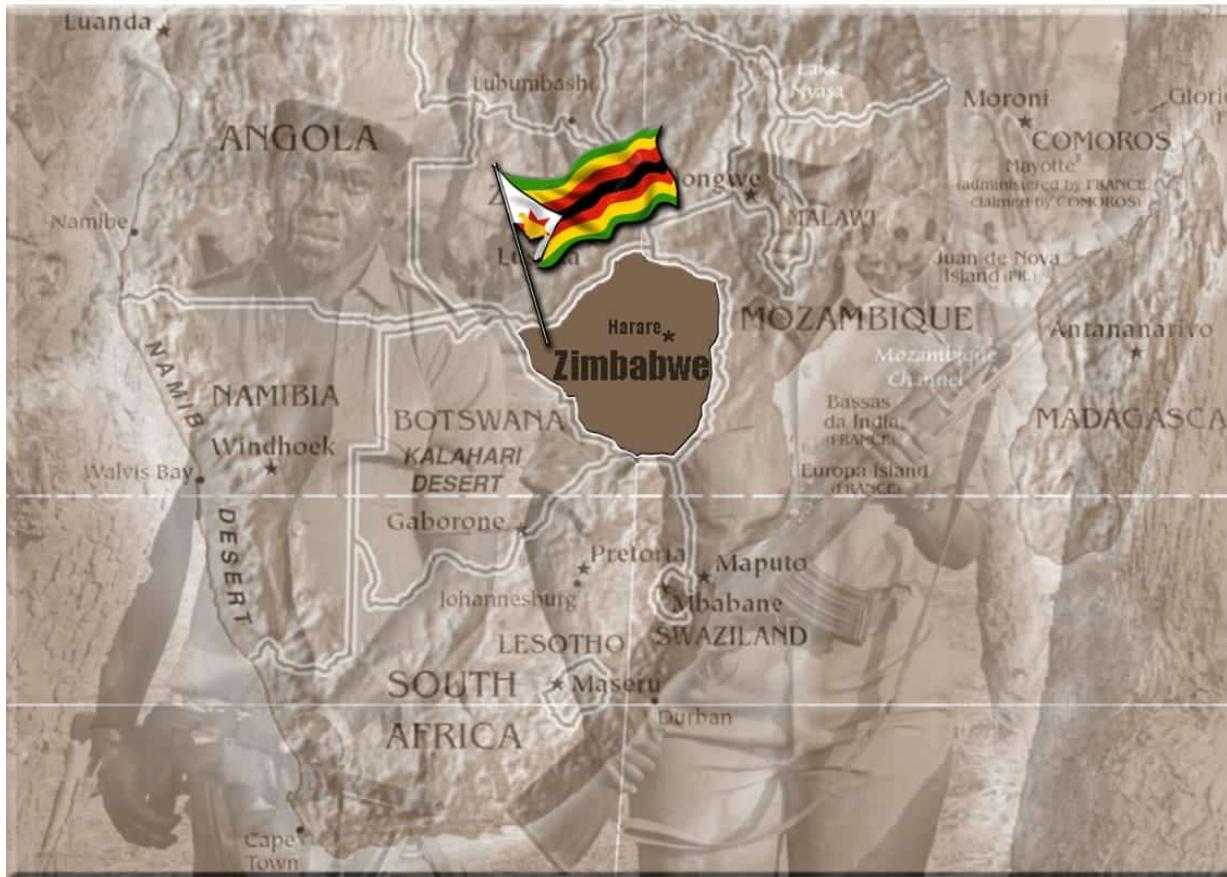


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## **Brooklyn, NYC: Zimbabwe at 43 - A Pan-African Celebration, April 18**

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# ZIMBABWE @ 43



## A Pan-African Celebration of

Zimbabwe's continued victories over

Imperialist Sanctions, Covid-19 and Underdevelopment.

An update on Zimbabwe's industrialization, healthcare, Education and African Unity.

plus music and a revolutionary toast

**Tuesday, April 18, 2023 @ Sistas' Place @ 6:30pm**

456 Nostrand Avenue (off Jefferson Avenue), Brooklyn

*"Where Resistance, Reparations and Culture is Our Weapon"*

Please call to confirm your attendance (718) 398-1766

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Hosted by December 12th Movement and Friends of Zimbabwe

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# **NEW DATE: Baltimore Community Outreach Event - Food is a Right!**

## **April 22**

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## WEST BALTIMORE COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENT

**Saturday, April 22, 12 noon**  
At Easterwood/Sandtown Park,  
1534 McKean Ave. Balto 21217

Anniversary  
of the  
Easterwood  
Park



SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2023, AT 12 PM – 2 PM

Community Outreach Event – Food is a Right  
1534 McKean Ave, Easterwood/Sandtown Park, Baltimore

Demand Rollback Prices, Restore & Expand Food Stamps, End Food Deserts, Feed the People, Not War

12 noon to 1 pm

Gather at Easterwood/Sandtown Park, 1534 McKean Ave.

Share food & prepare for Community Outreach Walk through the neighborhood from 1 pm to 2 pm and return to Park.

We will be petitioning. This neighborhood is one of the many food deserts in Baltimore City. This event will also commemorate the founding of the Easterwood/Sandtown Park.

