

U.S. revolutionary socialists mourn Iranian President Raeisi, demand end to U.S. sanctions

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Iranian President Ebrahim Raeisi

Struggle-La Lucha and the Socialist Unity Party send our deepest condolences to the Iranian government, the Iranian people, and their families and loved ones on the loss of the President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, H.E. Ayatollah Sayed Ebrahim Raeisi, and Minister of Foreign Affairs, H.E. Dr. Hossein Amirabdollahian, and their entire accompanying delegation.

We mourn with the Iranian people and stand in solidarity with Iran.

Our immediate duty as organizations functioning in the United States is to demand that U.S. imperialism respect the sovereign rights of Iran and cease any interference, overt or covert, in the affairs of Iran and its constitutional process.

Again, we amplify our call for an end to the sanctions in the United States.

While an investigation of the helicopter crash by Iranian officials has yet to be completed, we take special note that the cruel sanctions imposed by the United States, which also block the sales of aviation parts to Iran, may have played a contributing role in this disaster.

This horrific tragedy took the lives not only of President Raeisi and Minister of Foreign Affairs Amirabdollahian but also Malek Rahmati, Governor of East Azerbaijan, Ayatollah Mohammad Ali Ale-Hashem, the representative of the Leader of the Islamic Revolution to the East Azerbaijan province, as well as five crew members. East Azerbaijan Province's Governor Malek Rahmati, and Mehdi Mousavi, the head of Raisi's bodyguard team.

Echoing the sentiments of the Palestinian Resistance, we salute the contributions made by Iran's president in support of the Palestinian and anti-imperialist cause and join the world community in mourning.

U.S. hands off Iran! End the criminal sanctions now!



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Pride 2024: Solidarity with Gaza

Meet danger with resistance

By Melinda Butterfield

LGBTQIA+ people greet Pride Month this year with a mixture of joy, fear, and anger.

Joy at the annual celebration of our vibrant, diverse community and our struggle for liberation, marking the anniversary of the heroic 1969 Stonewall uprising of trans and other queer youth in New York City.

Fear at the growing tide of anti-trans laws and violence and attacks on all LGBTQIA+ people that seek to kill us or drive us back in the closet.

Anger that so many cisgender and straight allies have not answered our increasingly desperate appeals to join us in fighting back while others have allowed themselves to be influenced or bought off by our enemies.

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Photo: Cenesex

'We are standing in solidarity with the Palestinian cause... Our messages in the Conga against Homophobia and Transphobia will be linked to denouncing the genocide by Israel: Palestine will be free from the river to the sea.'

- Mariela Castro Espín,
Director of Cuba's National Center
for Sex Education (Cenesex)

See story in center fold

Cisgender activists speak for:
TRANS SOLIDARITY

CUBA for a free Palestine: Conga
against Homophobia & Transphobia

Biden, Congress stoke war with \$95 billion
'Antisemitism' farce

Guantánamo: A global call for justice
and resistance against imperialism

Never forget the U.S.-NATO bombing
of China's embassy!

10 years of injustice: Anti-fascist leader
recounts Odessa massacre

Nicaragua's Day of National Dignity

MAY DAY 2024

Resist the witch hunts!

LA 'Build movement
to stop genocide!'

SAN DIEGO 'Trump & Biden,
no solution!'

NEW ORLEANS Celebrates
diverse working class

BALTIMORE
Encampment for Gaza

NYC for Palestine

Save the Date!
NATIONAL MARCH
& **Speakout**
for Trans Lives
SAT OCT 19 2024
Columbus ► Ohio

Join us!

Help organize a national
protest to push back the
far right attack on trans people,
LGBTQIA+ and BIPOC communities,
immigrants, Palestinians and all workers.
Bodily autonomy for all,
including abortion rights.

We say fight back!
We won't go back!



Initiated by **Protect Trans Lives Coalition**
Volunteer & endorse at **ProtectTransKidsMarch.org**

'HANDS OFF RAFAH!'



MUMIA ABU-JAMAL: 'Shake the earth'

UCLA students resist violent attacks

PFLP: U.S. administration responsible

NYC arrests at Nakba protest

- Pride 2024: Solidarity with Gaza
- Hundreds march in Philadelphia to free Mumia Abu-Jamal
- Mumia to student protesters: 'Shake the earth' for people of Gaza
- UCLA students for Gaza resist violent attacks by cops, Zionists
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- Los Angeles marchers link arms with student protesters
- Build a movement to stop genocide from Los Angeles to Gaza!
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- Thousands march in NYC demanding 'Hands off Rafah!'
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- Never forget the U.S.-NATO bombing of China's embassy!
- Nicaragua's Day of National Dignity
- La privatización mata
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☐☐ Fri., May 17: Protest-Ivan Bates Break Ties with IDF-Justice for Duryea Green & Tyrone West

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Tell Ivan Bates:
***DIVEST FROM GENOCIDE! JUSTICE FOR
DURYEA GREEN & TYRONE WEST!***

**PICKET & LETTER DELIVERY
FRIDAY MAY 17
12 – 1 PM
120 E BALTIMORE ST**

PEOPLES POWER ASSEMBLY

Protest Baltimore State's Attorney Ivan Bates
Friday, 5/17 (lunch hour) 12 to 1 pm
At 120 East Baltimore Street

Demand he end support of deadly exchanges between the Baltimore Police Department and the Israeli Occupation Forces known as the Israeli Defense Forces.

Also join with families to demand justice for Duryea Green and Tyrone West.

Not only is Ivan Bates a supporter of deadly exchanges between the Baltimore Police Department and Israeli death squads, he holds a unique power to win justice for the families of Duryea Green and Tyrone West.

He can make important decisions for Baltimore City: sever ties with Israeli death squads, free Duryea Green, and prosecute the killer cops who killed Tyrone West.

[DONATE HERE](#)

You can also write checks to Solidarity Center (earmark for March)

Send to 703 E. 37th Street, Baltimore, MD 21218

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or mail checks made out to Solidarity Center,
Send to 703 E. 37th Street, Baltimore, MD 21218.



New York City: Queer Liberation March, June 30

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Q U E E R LIBERATION M A R C H

**for Black, Brown, Queer, Trans, Gender
Nonconforming, and Nonbinary Youth
& Against War and Genocide**

SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 2024

**Meet up Sheridan Square: 11:00 am
March to Battery Park: 11:30 am**



Join us this year for the 6th Annual Queer Liberation March for Black, Brown, Queer, Trans, Gender Nonconforming, and Nonbinary Youth and Against War and Genocide

Sunday, June 30, 2024

Meet up Sheridan Square: 11:00 am

March to Battery Park: 11:30 am



May 14: African Liberation Month film screening

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May 20, 2024

Washington, DC, San Francisco, Dominica, Antigua, Grenada
over 80,000 people march for African Liberation



“Breaking the Chains of Oppression”

A free film showing of African Liberation Day 1972 Documentary

Tuesday, May 14, 2024—7:00 pm

Sistas’ Place: 456 Nostrand Avenue Cor. Jefferson

Sponsored by : December 12th Movement—For information 718-398-1766

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AFRICAN LIBERATION MONTH FILM SCREENING

“Breaking The Chains of Oppression” Historic 1972 Documentary

In celebration of African Liberation Month, the December 12th Movement will host a Film Screening of the historic documentary, "Breaking the Chains of Oppression". The film documents the African Liberation Day marches in the United States and the Caribbean in support of African Liberation on May 25, 1972.

An open discussion, focusing on the urgent need to share our historical links in the diaspora to the fight against the colonialism on the continent, will follow the film screening. Pan African Solidarity is necessary, now more than ever.

For more information contact Sistas' Place at 718-398-1766.

WHO: December 12th Movement International Secretariat

WHAT: Film Screening: "Breaking the Chains of Oppression" 1972 Documentary

WHEN: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7 PM

WHERE: Sistas' Place, 456 Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn NY (corner of Jefferson Ave)



Asian 'NATO' encircles China

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The U.S.-steered Aukus military alliance is cranking up hostilities by inviting Japan into the anti-China pact

MAJOR new announcements this month indicate that the U.S. is intent on escalating its military interference in the Asia-Pacific and the seas around China.

The first announcement by the defence ministers of the U.S., Britain and Australia on the April 8 2024, revealed that the Aukus military alliance is seeking to expand with plans to invite Japan into the anti-China pact.

This was followed by another announcement three days later, at a summit in Washington between U.S. President Joe Biden, Prime Minister of Japan Fumio Kishida, and the President of the Philippines Ferdinand Marcos Jnr, where a new trilateral agreement between the countries was unveiled, including plans to conduct joint naval exercises in the South China Sea this year.

Days before this announcement, on April 7, the first joint naval and air drills between the U.S., Australia, Japan, and the Philippines took place in the South China Sea.

These new initiatives aim to bolster the U.S.'s already substantial military encirclement of China, threatening to destabilize the region and lay the foundations for a U.S.-led hot war against China.

Washington is whipping up conflict in the South China Sea

Under the disingenuous rhetoric of safeguarding “peace and security” in the Asia-Pacific and the South China Sea, the U.S. is cajoling the Philippines and Japan into following its militaristic policy against China.

Since Ferdinand Marcos Jnr became president of the Philippines in June 2022, there has been a significant shift in the country's foreign policy orientation with a departure from the neutral policy pursued by the previous government led by former president Rodrigo Duterte.

The new anti-China orientation of the current Philippine government has been strongly influenced by the U.S..

This was evident when President Marcos Jnr announced in 2023 that the U.S. would be granted access to four additional military bases, bringing the total number of Philippine bases used by the U.S. to nine.

Two of the new sites are located just across from Taiwan and southern China.

The trilateral summit between the U.S., the Philippines, and Japan on April 11 announced a further advance of the U.S. strategy: joint naval exercises in the South China Sea, which aim to whip up tensions between the Philippines and China.

The shift in the Philippines' foreign policy has been strongly criticized by the country's former president, Duterte, who has warned that his country risks being used as a pawn in a potential U.S.-led hot war on China.

Duterte said: "The Americans are the ones pushing the Philippine government to go out there and find a quarrel and eventually maybe start a war ... But I do not think that America will die for us ... I would tell the Americans, you have so many ships, so you do not need my island as a launching pad or as a launching deck for you."

It is important to understand these developments take place in the wider context of U.S. aggression against China. The U.S. already surrounds China with around 400 military bases. The U.S.'s main foreign policy goal now, and for at least the next decade, is to preserve U.S. global hegemony by stopping the peaceful rise of China.

The U.S. claims that its actions are “defensive” and designed to preserve the “status quo” in the region. These claims turn reality on its head.

The South China Sea is 12,000 kilometres away from the U.S. Countries in the region would be able to discuss and resolve their disputes peacefully without imperialist meddling from Washington.

The U.S. administration has appointed itself the world’s “policeman” and is attempting to stoke division in the Asia-Pacific and create tensions through militaristic interference.

The U.S.’s claim that confronting China in the South China Sea is necessary to defend its own “national security” is nonsensical. China poses no “threat” to the U.S. — Beijing is not conducting naval exercises off the coast of California and has no military bases surrounding the U.S.

The U.S. push for an ‘Asian Nato’

The U.S. wants its global North allies to join its military build-up against China. The founding of the Aukus military alliance between the U.S., Britain, and Australia in 2021 was a significant advance in that project.

The announcement that Aukus is now seeking new members, chiefly the former colonial power Japan, is an ominous development.

Many analysts are warning that the U.S.’s plans to expand Aukus are an attempt to create an “Asian Nato,” pointing to the risk that Aukus could emulate NATO’s role in Europe, which has intentionally provoked a devastating proxy war in Ukraine with the goal of “weakening Russia.”

The Aukus pact promotes nuclear proliferation. The agreement involves the U.S. and Britain transferring tons of weapons-grade highly enriched uranium to Australia, a

non-nuclear state. This breaches The Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of nuclear weapons (NPT).

The plan to invite Japan into Aukus threatens to escalate Japanese militarism and encourage Japan to move even further away from its post-War World II pacifist constitution.

In 2022 there was a significant shift in Japan's foreign policy when it was announced that the country's military spending would be increased to 2 percent of GDP by 2027, after decades of being capped at 1 percent.

This increase in military spending is claimed to be necessary to provide the funds for Japan to buy cruise missiles from the U.S. that are capable of hitting North Korea and parts of China.

An imperialist clique targeting China

It is particularly grotesque that the U.S. is proposing that Japan, a country with a shameful colonial history of invading and subjugating China in the 19th and 20th centuries, joins a military alliance aimed at stopping the peaceful development of China.

Japan has committed many brutal atrocities in China. In World War II Japan murdered millions of Chinese people and carried out mass rapes of women and girls.

Britain, already a member of Aukus, has its own appalling colonial history. Britain infamously launched two opium wars against China, forcing it to import and legalize drugs against its government's will.

Britain invaded and colonized Hong Kong in 1841 and then ruled it with an iron fist for 156 years.

Unlike Japan, Britain, and the U.S., China's remarkable rise over the past 70 years has not been achieved through invasions, colonialism, slavery, and genocide but through peaceful means.

It is precisely this peaceful development of China that the U.S. is determined to stop.

The stepping up of Washington's militarised aggression in the Asia-Pacific takes place in the context of the U.S.'s failures to compete with China economically.

The U.S. has not been able to raise its own rate of growth nor slow down China's through its cold war measures. China's economy is currently growing at a rate two-and-a-half times faster than that of the U.S..

To compensate for its relative economic decline, the U.S. is doubling down on military aggression, the sphere in which the U.S. remains globally dominant.

The U.S.'s increasing militarization of the Asia-Pacific is a key component of Washington's global war drive. It should be vigorously opposed by all those who want to stop the U.S. dragging everyone into another world war.

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Iranian response to Israel attack: Signals a turning point

*Resistance News Network
report from the Popular Front
for the Liberation of Palestine.*

The Iranian response to the Zionist entity is a pivotal event that will establish new rules of engagement in the region.

The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine praised the Iranian Revolutionary Guard's targeting of Zionist military sites with dozens of missiles and drones in response to the entity's aggression against the Iranian consulate in Damascus, describing the Iranian response as a significant pivotal event that will establish new rules of engagement in the region.

The Front confirmed that the legitimate Iranian response broke the prestige of the Zionist entity, revealing its fragility and inability to defend itself or restore its deterrence power. At the same time, it confirmed the ability of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the resistance factions to deliver painful strikes to the Zionist entity, deepening its internal crisis due to its inability to achieve any of its goals in eliminating the resistance in the Gaza Strip or stopping the strikes directed at it by the resistance in Lebanon, Yemen, and Iraq.

The Front explained that the rush of the American administration and its partners in Britain, France, Germany, and some

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COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY



Photo: Al-Awda

Crackdown fuels nat'l student protests for Gaza

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BALTIMORE

PPA shuts down city council for Gaza

Protesters denounce Biden's genocide

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San Diego: May Day 2024

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MAY 1, 2024

SAN DIEGO

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS DAY

RALLY & MARCH

**MEET AT THE FEDERAL BUILDING
4:30PM
CARPOOL
ENCOURAGED**

**~~TRUMP & BIDEN~~
NO SOLUTION
WORKING CLASS
FOR REVOLUTION**



**PALESTINIAN
YOUTH
MOVEMENT**

**حركة
الشباب
الفلسطيني**



**FRIENDS OF
FRIENDSHIP PARK**
San Diego-Tijuana



San Diego International Workers' Day Rally & March

Wednesday, May 1 - 4:30 p.m.

Meet at the Federal Building, 880 Front Street, San Diego



Los Angeles: May Day march

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MAY ²⁰²⁴ DAY

WORKER POWER WORLDWIDE!
DON'T COMPLY WITH GENOCIDE!

WEDNESDAY MAY 1ST
4:30PM GATHERING | MACARTHUR PARK



FOR INFO: (323) 306-6240

We invite everyone to participate in this year's May 1st March on International Worker's Day! Dozens of organizations are joining together to organize this march to defend worker's rights and to demand an end to the Israeli genocide and occupation in Palestine!

The march will begin at MacArthur Park and will end at the Downtown LA Federal Building.

These are the march demands!

FREE PALESTINE NOW!

End the Occupation!

Stop ALL US \$\$\$ to Israel

Defend Free Speech & Worker's Rights to Organize!

Universal Healthcare, Education, Housing for ALL!

Stop LAPD & ICE Terror!

Stop Deportations! Full Legalization NOW!

Abolish Colonial Borders & the US War Machine!

Stop US Intervention in Cuba, Venezuela, Nicaragua, Haiti

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¡Invitamos a tod@s a participar en la marcha del 1 de mayo de este año en el Día Internacional del Trabajador! ¡Docenas de organizaciones se están uniendo para organizar esta marcha para defender los derechos de los trabajadores y exigir el fin del genocidio y la ocupación israelí en Palestina!

La marcha comenzará en MacArthur Park y terminará en el Edificio Federal del Centro de Los Ángeles.

¡Estas son las Demandas de la marcha!

¡Libertas para PALESTINA!

¡Alto a la ocupación!

No mas \$\$\$ a Israel!

¡Defender la libertad de expresión y los derechos de los trabajadores a organizarse!

¡Atención sanitaria universal, educación y vivienda para TODOS!

¡Alto al terrorismo de la Policia (LAPD) y de la migra (ICE)!

¡Alto a las deportaciones! Legalización Total YA!

¡Abolir las fronteras coloniales y la maquinaria de guerra estadounidense!

Alto a la intervención de Estados Unidos en Cuba, Venezuela, Nicaragua y Haití

