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Dear comrades and friends in the entire world,

We are inviting you to become part of a new global alliance: **The Anti-Imperialist Anti-Fascist United Front (AIAFUF)**, or simply United Front.

This initiative comes at an important moment in recent world history. The people of the world, especially the proletariat and other toiling masses and oppressed peoples, are struggling vigorously and are building a powerful worldwide anti-imperialist unified front.

The Front will provide a place to act together, discuss, exchange and deepen our mutual understanding and analysis of world issues and the anti-imperialist struggle.

Attached to this letter are the Call and Rules of the AIAFUF. These have been developed through months of discussions and exchanges between the International Coordination of Revolutionary Parties and Organizations (ICOR) and the International League of Peoples' Struggle (ILPS), two international anti-imperialist formations.

Your feedback, improvements and questions on the Call and Rules are of course very welcome. Yet time is of the essence.

To this end the initiators, ICOR and ILPS, request that international formations, national organizations and individuals inform the Provisional Consultative Committee (set up by ICOR and ILPS) before March 31, 2020 if you would like to be part of this great endeavor.

Contact any member of the ILPS and/or the ICOR and also the Provisional Committee via the form on the website of the ILPS (<https://ilps.info>) or return the completed form below via email to coordinationint@yahoo.co.uk.

The Front will be launched before the end of June 2020.

Warmest solidarity and revolutionary regards,

Issued by:
ILPS and ICOR



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CALL FOR BUILDING THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-IMPERIALIST AND ANTIFASCIST UNITED FRONT

10 Let us build the international anti-imperialist united front against imperialist plunder, state terrorism, fascistization, fascism, foreign military intervention, subversion and wars of aggression! For national and social liberation, democracy, freedom and socialism!

The world economic and financial crisis of 2008 has had the effect of accelerating and intensifying the struggle for the redivision of the world. Aggressive, anti-people US imperialism is still the strongest imperialist power and main warmonger. But a multipolar world has emerged.

15 Inter-imperialist rivalry is intensifying. All of the imperialist powers are pushing aggressively to the fore in the struggle for hegemony over cheap sources of natural resources and labor, markets, fields of investment and spheres of influence. Among the imperialist great powers a fierce struggle over the redivision of the world is raging. The danger of a world war is growing.

20 New powers have emerged while others decline. This is the law of uneven development. Under conditions of imperialism, the relentless rivalry among the imperialist powers is the inevitable consequence. They only agree in their exploitation and oppression of the proletariat and people of the world, thus their hostility towards the liberation struggle of the exploited and oppressed masses, especially the revolutionary working class and the revolutionary parties of the world.

25 In this context, the time is ripe for a force which opposes this imperialist world system in an organized way and with growing unification: in an anti-imperialist united front against imperialist plunder, neo-liberal impositions, state terrorism, racism, fascistization, foreign military intervention, subversion and wars of aggression – for national and social liberation, democracy, freedom and socialism! It is time that the oppressed proletariat and peoples of this world, with their specific and national movements, join ranks in this common rising and future-oriented, global movement.

30 The enlightenment about the character of imperialism, the discussion of the changes in the imperialist world system and the consensus, decisions and the correct conclusions for the strategy and tactics of the democratic forces of the world are the fundamental tasks of the anti-imperialist united front.

35 Everywhere in the world, as in Ukraine, in Syria, in Yemen, in Venezuela, in East Asia and elsewhere the imperialist struggle for predominance in the world is carried out on the backs of the peoples. The general tendency to imperialist preparation for war aggravates the danger of war. This is more and more manifested in the rise of fascist movements, trade wars, massive armament, large military exercises, in deliberate provocations, threats of invasions, local conflicts, up to direct confrontations of imperialist countries, and ultimately up to the threat of a 3rd world war.

40 The anti-imperialist united front must be an antifascist united front. Fascist or proto-fascist leaders like Trump, Erdogan, Modi or Bolsonaro, but also the rightward development of governments and bourgeois parties in most of the bourgeois democracies, as well as the fascistization of state machines must be resolutely and militantly opposed and stopped. This task is urgent.

45 Imperialism means everywhere reaction. This is why the anti-imperialist united front puts the struggle for the preservation and extension of democratic rights and liberties on the agenda. We

target the anticommunism of those in power, which seeks to discredit socialism as alternative to imperialism in the eyes of the masses.

50 The workers of the world are suffering the ever-worsening conditions of exploitation and oppression under the rule of neoliberalism and state terrorism. In imperialism, the revolutionary productive forces, despite all societal and technological progress, ultimately are transformed into their opposite. Every day there are strikes on all continents which are more and more connected with the struggles of the broad masses. But still these struggles are taking place largely isolated, in a national framework and without the adequate exchange of information and mutual support by revolutionaries and workers in the whole world. The international working class with the modern industrial proletariat as its core will only be able to stand up to the imperialist world system and become superior to it if it is united and mobilized! The international working class must be the backbone and leading force of the anti-imperialist united front.

60 The world proletariat needs and seeks the alliance with all oppressed peoples in this world – the poor peasants, indigenous peoples, women, youth, refugees, migrant workers, minorities, and all others fighting for democracy and freedom. The liberation struggles in many countries of Africa, Latin America and Asia, the liberation struggles of the Filipino, Kurdish, Palestinian and other peoples, have in international finance capital a common imperialist enemy and exert a revolutionary influence and forward-looking appeal. Their experiences must be made available to all exploited and oppressed!

65 The overexploitation of nature is accelerating the transition to a global environmental catastrophe which endangers the foundations of human life. Especially affected are the workers, due to health-endangering working conditions; so too are small peasants and agricultural workers and other huge parts of the population are severely affected by floods, hurricanes and droughts. The struggle for jobs, better working conditions or higher wages must be combined and coordinated with the struggle to save the environment from the unbridled capitalist profit system!

70 Billions of especially oppressed women must connect their struggle for equal rights, against the patriarchal-feudal stamp of societies, for the liberation of women, with the anti-imperialist struggle as well as with the working-class and revolutionary movement.

75 The youth of the world see their future in danger. They are often in the forefront of the mass struggles. Their energy and drive must be strengthened through a clear anti-imperialist awareness and their training as steadfast fighters for the future.

We call for combining the founding of the anti-imperialist united front with a strategy discussion on how a society liberated from exploitation and oppression can be won. We take into account that many participating forces consider socialism as the alternative.

80 Fight imperialism! Down with imperialist plunder, state terrorism, state fascistization, fascism, foreign military intervention, subversion and wars of aggression!

Workers of all countries, unite!

Workers of all countries and oppressed peoples, unite!

85 For the liberation of humanity from exploitation and oppression – for national and social liberation, democracy, freedom and socialism!



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RULES FOR THE WORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-IMPERIALIST AND ANTI-FASCIST UNITED FRONT

Rule 1. As initiators of the International Anti-Imperialist and Anti-Fascist United Front (hereinafter the United Front or Front), the International League of Peoples' Struggle (ILPS) and the International Coordination of Revolutionary Parties and Organizations (ICOR), shall issue the foregoing Call and shall invite other international anti-imperialist and anti-fascist formations to join the Front.

The United Front shall be a movement of allied organizations without democratic centralism and a costly and expensive apparatus.

Rule 2. For the first phase – e.g. the first half of the year 2020 – a Provisional Consultative Committee will consist of three representatives of ICOR and ILPS each. At the end of the transitory period the Provisional Committee must render account. A proposal for the composition of the Consultative Committee must be made, which does justice to the up to then certainly extended composition.

Rule 3. The Provisional Consultative Committee shall invite, receive and confirm applications for participation of international formations, organizations and individuals of whatever social sector or geographic scale that agree with the Call and the Rules of the Front. All participants of the Front, including those represented in the Committee, shall define their affiliation themselves.

Rule 4. Declaration of participation in the United Front shall be reported to ILPS and ICOR by March 31, 2020. These declarations may contain proposals for improvement to the documents, application for the collaboration in the Consultative Committee and proposals and actions to be taken up by the Consultative Committee.

Rule 5. The tasks of the Provisional Consultative Committee consist of:

- publishing the Call and proposed Rules; concerning the rules it must be differentiated between parts of the rules which are consensus between ICOR and ILPS and parts of the rules which still have to be finally clarified.
- recruiting members for the United Front on the basis of the documents
- collecting proposals for improving the documents
- unfolding the discussion on differences
- proposing final documents including the proposals for improvement and the discussion
- mobilizing of applications for the Consultative Committee
- organizing a democratic method of composition of the Consultative Committee
- planning the forging and launching of the Front that will take place before the end of June, 2020.

- defining and detailing the invitation process and methods of the launch forum

It is proposed that the launch forum could take place the last week of May 2020 in combination with a week of anti-imperialist global actions

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Rule 6. The first meeting of the Consultative Committee during the forging/launch of the Front decides on the implementation of “Call” and “Rules”, considers more detailed modalities of the work, and adopts a catchy short name. Further participation to the Front is confirmed by the Consultative Committee.

Representatives of said international formations that agree with the Call and Rules shall constitute the Consultative Committee of the Front.

The membership of the Consultative Committee shall be limited to a working size of ten to fifteen representatives of said international formations.

Designated representatives of important national organizations and prominent individuals can attend committee meetings as observers on invitation of the Consultative Committee (hereinafter also called Committee).

Rule 7. The position of presiding officer of the Committee to be known as President shall rotate at fixed intervals. The first Presidency will be shared by ILPS and ICOR for one year. Afterwards, it rotates every two years among the incumbent members according to the alphabetical names of the international formations forming the Committee.

Rule 8. The aims and purposes of the Committee:

- a. To bring together, through their representatives, anti-imperialist and democratic formations of whatever scale or in whatever field of concern that agree with the aforesaid call for building the Front;
- b. To encourage, facilitate and promote unity among them through practical cooperation as well as consultations and consensus on issues;
- c. To issue statements on issues and call for coordinated actions and campaigns;
- d. To encourage the building of thematic platforms for coordination and action within the United Front, as for instance of women, workers, indigenous, research institutes, etc. if required.

Rule 9. The campaigns and actions of the Front, which shall be agreed upon by the Committee, shall include the following: advocacy, research, publications, congresses, conferences, seminars and social and political actions.

Rule 10. The representatives in the Committee shall attend meetings of the Committee at their respective expense. The formations that they represent shall be responsible for raising the resources for the campaigns and actions within their respective spheres. If joint costs are incurred, they are shared proportionately.

Rule 11. Regular meetings of the Committee shall be held at least once a year to be attended in person by a majority of the members. Timely meetings of the Committee shall be held by video conference on any outstanding matter proposed by at least a majority of members.

Rule 12. There shall be a coordinating staff provided by the international formation represented by the incumbent President. The annual meetings are also hosted by the organization which provides the President at the time.

Rule 13. The President ensures timely information and deliberation among all members of the Consultative Committee and sends out information letters from the Consultative Committee to all participants of the United Front on a regular basis. All participants of the United Front have the right to make proposals to the Committee and to receive an answer accordingly.

Rule 14. Cooperation is in mutual respect, with a democratic culture of debate, and decisions are made by consensus. No formation is obliged to participate in decided activities in the sense of democratic centralism. However, reliable cooperation has to follow in case of confirmation of participation.

Rule 15. At the end of each important period, at least once every two years, the Committee calls a forum to render account of its work and present proposals to further develop the work of the Front and, if necessary, the structures. The Consultative Committee will further discuss and draw conclusions based on the discussions in the forum.

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM

You can register on-line with the form provided on the website of the ILPS (<https://ilps.info>) or return this email after completing the form below to coordinationint@yahoo.co.uk.

PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY

Dear Provisional Consultative Committee of the Anti-imperialist Anti-fascist United Front (AIAFUF),

1. _____ agrees to be part of the AIAFUF.
 - a. (Contact name (if organization):
 - b. Postal address:
 - c. Phone number(s) (include country code):
 - d. email(s):
 - e. website:
 - f. are you an international organization____, national____, subnational____, individual____ (please check one)

(Please provide as much information as possible so the Committee can be back in touch)

2. If the above named entity is an international formation, would it like to be part of the Consultative Committee?
 - a. YES _____
 - b. NO _____
 - c. NOT APPLICABLE _____
3. Comments and suggestions: 250 words maximum