

National Conference "PALESTINE AND SURROUNDINGS"
Palestine today, the vanguard of internationalist resistance

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In January of 2014 the Palestine Front, full name "Palestine Front - from solidarity to the internationalist fight", was established in Rome with the principal aim of clearing any misunderstandings regarding the future programme and trends of a social welfare system which only superficially relieves some sufferings of the people while maintaining the causes that determine them, i.e. imperialism, colonialism, oppression of the lower classes and as a result war, famine and mass migration.

The coordinates that we set in the founding Manifesto started from:

- Class support to the Palestinian resistance, recognizing in it one of the most advanced points in the fight against imperialism and against the system of capitalist exploitation.
- Anti-capitalists, anti-imperialists, anti-fascists and anti-Zionists, understood as opposition to the neo-colonialism of the Atlantic Powers in the Middle East, Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe and Latin America.
- Against international Zionism which, having begun as a necessity of expansion of the European Jewish bourgeoisie, is no longer just a local problem, but is internationalized to play a primary role in the strategy of domination of big international capitals.
- Against Italian Zionism and it is here where all economic agreements come into play, military, industrial, and scientific interchange between the various Italian governments and the Zionist entity of which Italy is also one of the major suppliers and customers, of weapons and high-tech military equipment.
- For the right of return of Palestinian refugees, the application of which we consider an inalienable and indispensable principle.
- For the release of all political prisoners.

The evolution of the political environment in Palestine and the Middle East require a thorough study as well as an update of our analyses. Understanding the texture and depth of the real or alleged contradictions which have merged between the Zionist entity and the US administration as a result of the agreement on the Iranian nuclear issue, the size and characteristics of the increasingly close relations between the Zionist entity and some Islamic organizations, both states (such as monarchies of the Gulf, Turkey), and fundamentalists. On the other hand, seeing and understanding the "normalization" in place in the occupied areas of the West Bank administered by the ANP and also the formal acceptance of an inexorable transformation of Palestine into two or more *Bantustans* subordinate to the Occupier, depending on the policy of apartheid and by the general interests of Zionism and worldwide imperialism, administered by different local *Quisling*.

In this context the position of Hamas appears to be more and more ambiguous, ranging from the search for an agreement with the Zionist entity and frantic chases for the new youth Intifada, which began in an unforeseen form and transversely within the Palestinian society.

In all cases, with an unfavorable approach to the Palestinian left, and the liberation of Palestine, Palestine would also reduce the political objectives of its people and would be sent back to historical times.

It is clear that such a development would lead to an intensification of repression against the population and the remaining opposition forces.

It is, therefore, of increasingly 'urgent' priority to support the organized forces of the Palestinian left, such as PFLP, and to strengthen the campaign of solidarity with Palestinian political prisoners.

The will to organize a national conference of this type stems from the realization that "Palestine" understood as the need to solve the "Zionist issue" can no longer be considered as a phenomenon in its own, but rather must be pursued in a political context, not only strategic and regional but very variable and contradictory.

A background marked by war as a means of conflict resolution, but more so as a continuation by other means of the crisis of capitalist accumulation; an imperialist war that has as its epicenter the Middle East region and that, in an escalation of fire and blood, is spread to Eastern Europe and East Asia, with the understandable aim of bending their international competitors to the ambitions of capitalism US-led.

A complex and well-structured movement which in the past quarter of a century has kept its own purposes, having the flexibility to change strategies and tactics tailored to the changeable conditions of political spaces and to conquer economies. Everything passing from "humanitarian bombing raids" to military "peacekeeping" invasions, from "colored revolutions" for manipulated regime change, to the real provocations of "false flag" to direct the events of their own interests by skillfully exploiting existing contradictions, class, ethnic, religious and tribal functions of the Strategic reactionary, literally reshaping the political geography of the areas under attack. A complexity that has confused even the most consolidated political positions of class which, pursuing its own enemy agenda thrust from its powerful hegemonic ability, has manipulated them to make them harmless.

Libya, Syria, Ukraine, Iraq, Yemen, Afghanistan - to name a few - are devastated and changed while the reactionary propaganda tries to push the European proletariat to indifference or even foment war between the poor exploiting the arrival of refugees from the wars unleashed by "their" governments, thanks also to the indifference cultivated by a self-proclaimed "left", and to extra-parliamentarians, more and more involved in the manipulative co-management of the crisis and the imperialist war.

We therefore have decided to break ties and to take on certain complex issues now coming to the head of political debate through a series of questions to ask publicly and to which we will try to give answers, even incomplete, but that can help to reconstruct the mosaic of 'class analysis, historical and materialist, trying to tear it from the poisoning hegemonism of the class enemy.

This is our attempt to refine and renew the "toolbox" and political theory, which gives a greater breadth to our action, to transform the class solidarity of internationalism, to better understand not only the Zionist phenomenon but also its intertwining with the capitalist crisis and imperialist war.

We wish to assume positions of consistent policies, and proletarian internationalists, while avoiding the risk that "the enemy marched at our head."

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