



¡YA BASTA CON EL RACISMO Y LA COLONIZACIÓN!

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International Tribunal Against Colonialism

INTRODUCTION

On Saturday December 9th 2006, the Raza Rights Coalition—San Diego will conduct an International People’s Tribunal that intends to expose the vicious nature of U.S. Capitalism/ Colonialism and its role on the assault on Raza, other oppressed people’s and all of humanity as a whole.

The tribunal will bring organizations and individuals that have been engaged in the struggle to defend human and civil rights. As well as organizations and individuals engaged in struggles for the National Liberation and Self-Determination of the worlds people’s; this, in order to advance the struggle for peace with justice and denounce the growing crimes committed against oppressed people’s everywhere on planet earth.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The goals of the International People’s Tribunal is to gather the testimonies of organizations and individuals who’s democratic, human and civil rights have been violated as a result of the social, political and economic policies of U.S. Imperialism/ Colonialism. These testimonies will serve as the basis for a panel of Judges who will determine if charges for crimes against humanity are in order to bring to justice those people

or institutions that have violated people’s democratic/civil or human rights.

The central objective of the International People’s Tribunal is to put the U.S. imperialist/colonialist state on trial and reframe the issue of terror and terrorism by exposing the violent history of U.S. colonialism. We also intend to create the conditions so that our community can unite with the struggle for Self-Determination and provide an opportunity for our people to think in terms of building independent community power from that of the capitalist/imperialist state.

PROCESS

There are a variety of levels for participating in the tribunal.

The first category will be Panelists/ Judges who will listen and provide a verdict on the crimes and testimonies of people and organizations who’s rights have been violated. These judges are reserved for organizations of various nationalities/people’s who have had a history of struggle for the defense of their people and who believe in the people’s right to self-determination.

The second category for participation are organizations and institutions that will provide or present cases related

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to crimes that have come as a result of state violence (laws, policies and practices); that have discriminated and or violated people’s rights.

The third level of participation are individuals who have been personally affected by state violence and terror by governmental institutions/agencies who will share their .

VERDICT AND FOLLOW-UP

During the Tribunal we will be recording the testimonies, listening to the accusations against the accused and hand down a verdict on charges against the accused.

We plan to bring the verdict on charges as concrete findings that will provide our movement for Self-Determination a summary on the different crimes perpetrated by U.S. Colonialism and submit these finding to various international organizations and institutions, social forums, international conferences- in the way of workshops and panel discussions- as a way of exposing the crimes committed against the Mexicano - Indigenous people by

U.S. colonialism.

We expect to share our hopes and aspirations for freedom, justice and self-determination with organizations and people’s willing to listen to our perspective on colonial violence; as we provide what we consider to be a solution to the continuing assault on the Mexicano people living within the illegal political borders of the United States.

SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING

We are seeking organizations who are willing to support this tribunal to endorse this activity by sending us your organizational support by e-mailing the following information:

Name of Organization:

Name of Contact:

Address:

Telephone number:

E-mail address:

Send endorsement to our e-mail address:

coalicionproderechos@hotmail.com

THIS TRIBUNAL WILL BASE ITS FINDINGS ON INTERNATIONAL LAW AS ESTABLISHED BY THE VARIOUS DECLARATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS, AS WELL AS OTHER DOCUMENTS PRODUCED BY SOCIAL MOVEMENTS WHICH ASPIRE TO ESTABLISH A MORE JUST ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL ORDER.

THE DECLARATIONS AND DOCUMENTS INCLUDE; BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- The Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- The Universal Declaration of the Worlds People’s
- United Nations Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
- Women’s Revolutionary Law
- Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention
- Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities
- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW)
- Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)
- International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (ICPMW)

These and other documents can be found at the following website: <http://www.ohchr.org/english/law/>

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December 9th 2006

10am-5pm

San Diego, CA

Location to be Determined



Organized by:

The Raza Rights Coalition

SOMOS RAZA • Comité de DDHH- Digna

Ochoa • Comité de DDHH- 2 de Octubre •

Comité de Mujeres Patricia Marín •

Chicano Mexicano Prison Project •

Asociación de United Housekeepers

ENDORISING ORGANIZATIONS: Unión del Barrio, African People's Socialist Party, African People's Solidarity Committee, International League of People's Struggle, Federación Latinoamericana de Asociaciones de Familiares de Detenidos-Desaparecidos, AMATE, MEChA de SDSU, Frente Socialista-Puerto Rico

THE SOLUTION IS CLEAR!

The Raza Rights Coalition is an alliance of independent Chicano Mexicano/Raza Latino-Americano organizations and individuals united to defend and elevate the human rights and dignity of our people. We have formed this alliance to resist the injustice, racism, exploitative economic interest, oppressive government policies, and violation of our civil and human rights that have been carried out since the occupation and colonization of Northern Mexico by the United States of America in 1848 and in a larger sense since the arrival of European conquerors half a millennia ago.

This Is What We Believe:

Sooner or later, the millions of Mexicanos that are economically exploited, politically repressed and oppressed, will choose to defend ourselves, we will organize ourselves, and we will liberate ourselves and there will be no law, physical force, or governmental institution that will be able to hold back our liberation.

The existence of the Raza Rights Coalition is based on the basic right of our people to pursue justice, equality, and a life free of racism, exploitation, sexism, ignorance, physical and cultural repression, insecurity, racist laws, and police/migra brutality. This is the future we are building.

We believe in building independent community based organization and power, free from all government institutions and corruption, promoting political, economic, and socio-cultural self-determination.

THIS IS WHAT WE STRUGGLE FOR:

1. Full employment with union jobs and decent wages.
2. Quality education for all our children including Chicano/Raza Studies and Bilingual Education at all levels.
3. Free health care for all people
4. Decent affordable housing
5. Community control of the police and sheriffs
6. Abolishment of the racist Border Patrol and the demilitarization of the Mexico/ U.S. border
7. End to the importation and promotion of drugs in our communities and barrios
8. An end to U.S. intervention in Mexico, Latin America and all over the globe
9. An immediate halt to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and no to the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA)
10. A Clean and Healthy Environment
11. Social justice and true democracy in México

**¡POR LA DIGNIDAD
LUCHAMOS!**

**¡POR LA LIBERTAD
VENCEREMOS!**



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