

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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**¡YA BASTA CON EL RACISMO Y LA COLONIZACIÓN!
A LUCHAR POR NUESTRA LIBERACIÓN**

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International Tribunal Against Colonialism: In Defense of the National, Democratic and Human Rights of Raza

INTRODUCTION

To commemorate the 58th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Raza Rights Coalition will be holding a Tribunal Against U.S. Colonialism for the crimes committed against Raza/Indigenous people living within the current political borders of the United States.

This tribunal will be grounded on international law, where a panel of judges will listen to testimonies from organizations who have been on the forefront of defending the democratic, national and human rights of their communities. This tribunal attempts to expose the brutal nature of U.S. capitalism which imposes murderous policies on the Raza working class through economic, political and social means, which inhibit the majority of Raza/Indigenous people from obtaining their basic human needs.

This tribunal will gather representatives of political struggles and movements from throughout the world in order to inform them of the vicious brutality and suffering of the Mexican people living within the borders of a racist/capitalist society known as the United States. This tribunal recognizes that the origin of this suffering has come as a consequence of U.S. Imperialist expansion and annexation of Indigenous lands when the U.S. unleashed an illegal war of aggression against Mexico in 1846 and which ended in the theft of over half of Mexico's national territory.

THE JUDGES

The Raza Rights Coalition will have the honor of hosting this historic people's court of justice. Representatives of the following organizations will make up a distinguished Panel of Judges who will listen to the testimonies from Organizations and Individuals. These testimonies will bring forth charges of crimes committed by U.S. Capitalism/Colonialism and their racist institutions which have violated the

democratic, national and human rights of the Mexicano/Raza/Indigenous people.

The panel will include representatives from:

- **The African People's Socialist Party (APSP)**, an organization founded in 1972 by Chairman Omali Yeshitela. The APSP has built and leads the Uhuru Movement, and is committed to the total liberation of Africa and African People everywhere.
- **African People's Solidarity Committee (APSC)** is an organization founded in 1974 by the APSP. It is made up of Europeans/white people who are organized under the leadership of the APSP to support and demonstrate solidarity to the African liberation inside the U.S. and around the world.
- **International League of People's Struggle (ILPS)** is an anti-imperialist and democratic formation founded on May 25, 2001. It promotes, supports and develops the anti-imperialist and democratic struggles of the people of the world against imperialism and all reaction.
- **Federación Latinoamericana de Asociaciones de Familiares de Detenidos-Desaparecidos (FEDEFAM)** is a nongovernmental organization founded in 1981 and formed by associations of relatives of the disappeared in countries of Latin America and the Caribbean which have or are currently practicing forced disappearance. FEDEFAM is a non-profit humanitarian organization, independent of all political or religious doctrines and institutions.
- **Frente Socialista-Puerto Rico** is a formation founded on November 4, 1990 by various and diverse groups of activists who are committed to the struggle of building a radically different and distinct society from that of the current capitalist state.
- **Irish Republican Socialist Movement** is an organization created by and for working class people in 1974, to aid working class

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liberation in Ireland and internationally with others who share that common goal.

• **Frente Farabundo Martí de Liberación Nacional**- was formed on October 10, 1980 as the united front of leftist organizations to become the leading left political party in El Salvador that has struggled for social justice and for the democratic national right of Salvadoran Self-determination.

• The **Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional** (FSLN) was founded in 1961 as a political-military organization, which today is the leading political party in Nicaragua. The FSLN follows the example of Agosto Cesar Sandino who's political principle is the defense of the national sovereignty and the self-determination of the people's of Nicaragua.

• **Agencia de Medios Alternativos y Taller Editorial** (AMATE) was founded in 1995 with the objective of informing on the social, political

and cultural movements of Raza from an leftist analysis based on issues that the corporate media does not cover. AMATE consists of writers, correspondents, collaborators in the United States, in Mexico and Latinamerica.

SUPPORTING AND ENDORSING

We are seeking organizations who are willing to support this tribunal by endorsing this activity and sending us your organizational support by filling out 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

TRIBUNAL PROCEEDINGS

10:00-10:30am	Welcome/Introduction of the Goals & Objectives of the Tribunal
10:30-11:30am	Condemnation of U.S. for Crimes Committed Against the People's of the World
11:30am-12:30	Introduction of Judges
12:30pm-1:00	Lunch

PRESENTATION OF CHARGES AGAINST COLONIALISM

1:00 - 2:30	Organizations Present Accusations and Testimonies to Tribunal
2:45 - 3:45	Individuals Present Testimonies and Accusations to Tribunal
3:45- 4:15	Reading of a Summary of Charges
4:15- 5:15	Judges Comments and Roundtable
5:15-6:00	Light Dinner
6:00-6:30	Verdict Handed Down From Judges
6:30- 7:00	Concluding Remarks

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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**Saturday December 9, 2006
10am-7pm**

**San Diego City College Room B-103
San Diego, CA (Park Blvd & A Street)**

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ORGANIZATIONAL ENDORSERS: Unión del Barrio, African People's Socialist Party, Committee on Raza Rights-Oxnard, African People's Solidarity Committee, International League of People's Struggle, Federación Latinoamericana de Asociaciones de Familiares de Detenidos-Desaparecidos, AMATE, Frente Socialista-Puerto Rico, Irish Republican Socialist Movement, Frente Farabundo Martí de Liberación Nacional (El Salvador), Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional (FSLN), Frente Indígena de Organizaciones Bi-Nacionales, Barrio Defense Committee, Brown Berets de Aztlán, Association of Raza Educators, Guerrero Azteca Project, Comité de Derechos Humanos de Mt. View, Raza Press Association, Pan Africanist Youth Congress (PAYCO) of Azania, Asians 4 Jericho/Mumia, Workers World Party, International Action Center, M.E.Ch.A. de USD