

## Inheritor and Continuator of the Revolutionary Theory and Practice of Kwame Nkrumah, Sekou Toure and Kwame Ture!



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# **Statement to First International Afrodescendant Congress**

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HE Diosdado Cabello First Vice President of the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV)

#### Your Excellency:

Permit the All-African People's Revolutionary Party <sup>(GC)</sup> to thank the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV) for inviting the A-APRP (<sup>GC)</sup> to participate in this historic First International Afrodescendant Congress within the framework of the Sao Paulo Forum, which convenes here in Caracas, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. We hope to consolidate our party-to-party relationship with the PSUV while here. Permit us also to greet the Delegates, Observers and Guests who have traveled here from throughout the African Diaspora, Africa and the World. Our desire is to develop principled and productive relationships, bilateral and multi-lateral, with as many radical and revolutionary organizations and movements, worldwide, as possible.

Kwame Nkrumah suggests that "there are moments in history that are hard to discern, yet fatal if let slip by." The A-APRP (GC) holds that this statement is true. African and other Oppressed Peoples are dancing in the fires of rebellion and resistance, revolt and revolution in every corner of the world. We say, intensify the political and revolutionary fires!

Dialectically speaking, we also believe that there are moments in history that are equally as hard to discern, yet pregnant with the possibility of fundamental change, of revolutionary change. We believe that this time and space, this First International Afrodescendant Congress is one such moment in the glorious struggles of the Peoples of Venezuela, Africa and the World.

Our task, as members of the traditional and organic, radical and revolutionary intelligentsia, is to be a catalyst in history, a catalyst in revolutionary change, and to help write the annals of history. Ahmed Sekou Toure is correct, "Revolution is an Act of Culture." The A-APRP (GC) calls for the intensification of the "African Cultural Revolution" from the public and social spaces of Barlovento, in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, a cultural capital of the Afrodescendant and African World.

The proposed objective of this historic First International Afrodescendant Congress is to "promote political participation with recognition of Afro-descendent ethnicity in specific." The A-APRP (GC) agrees with this objective. We believe that this political participation must be viewed and sought in the widest and most principled definition of political participation in every aspect of society, and in every aspect of our work. Kwame Ture (Stokely Carmichael) is correct: "Pan-Africanism is the highest political expression of Black Power."

The Congress' proposed challenge "is uniting in a common effort the left-wing parties, social movements and grass-roots Afro-descendant and African organizations in the construction of a common platform in the fight for justice, ethno-racial equality and the freedom [from] all imperialist oppression." We agree. The principled unity of 1.5 billion Africans and Afrodescendants, and their radical and revolutionary parties, social movements and organizations worldwide must be voluntarily and enthusiastically won from the grassroots up; and it must truly serve the masses of African People in whose name it speaks. Kwame Ture is also correct, "those who do not know history, are doomed to repeat its mistakes."

The All-African People's Revolutionary Party <sup>(GC)</sup> is struggling, sacrificing and suffering for revolutionary Black Power, revolutionary Pan-Africanism—One Unified Socialist Africa. When achieved, Pan-Africanism will be Africa's contribution to the World Socialist Revolution.

We understand the diversity of opinion and interests in this historic First International Afrodescendant Congress. We understand the fullest extent of the challenge we face here, in our various zones of contestation, and for the A-APRP (GC) Delegation when it returns to the U.S., the pinnacle of imperialism, racism, sexism, and genocide. We know that nothing can stop the rain or the sun, when they begin to pour and shine! We know that victory is inevitable, when the masses are conscious and engaged, and when that dialectical moment in history arrives. Perhaps, the Delegates at this Congress can seize this moment and help shepherd the revolutionary Pan-African Movement to victory, even if not in our lifetime.

Cuba is the oasis of the world's socialist movement and Venezuela is the fountainhead of revolutionary Pan-Africanism. The A-APRP (GC) looks to the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV) for guidance as we stumble along our chosen revolutionary path. We call for decentralized actions on African Liberation Day / Week, from May 23-30, 2020, on every campus and in every community, city and country in Africa, the Africa Diaspora, and the World.

### US Out of Africa and the African Diaspora!

#### **US Hands Off Venezuela!**

Stay at Home! - Shut it down! - Shut it down! - Shut it down!

Shut imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism; racism, Zionism, xenophobia and related- intolerance down, for at least one day.

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