About Israeli War on Gaza (Leaflet)

Historical Note

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The number of Palestinian causalities is so high compared to previous Israeli attacks, 385 killed and more than 1750 injured (these numbers are valid at 31 December). The majority of Arab masses is only observing what is going on, with lot of outrage and anger, this is due mainly to the general atmosphere of fear and their marginalization that is strongly maintained by the ruling elites. Only a small minority of politically active individuals are participating in the protests on the streets. Those are mainly Islamic activists. This can be understood in two ways: That Hamas, which is leading Gaza strip, is the Palestinian branch of Muslims Brotherhood, the biggest Islamic organization that enjoyed influential presence in the biggest Islamic countries, usually in illegal way. On the other hand, that the left in Arab and Islamic countries had changed deeply since the fall of Soviet Union: big part of it was shifted from the traditional reformist policies of Stalinist parties to embrace the neo-liberal policies of the mainstream tendency of globalization, but kept the same old tactics: looking for compromises with the ruling elites, or promoting a “democratic” change based primarily on the neo-liberal policies and accepting the American, or in general the Western, intervention as the main way of imposing such “change”. To be fair, there is a tendency to create some influence of Trotskyism and, to less extent, Anarchism; but these new tendencies are still very weak and elitist and lack any important presence or influence on the grassroots movements of the masses. In fact, the Arab masses were left to the propaganda of Islamists.

Liberal and, the majority of, ex-leftist intellectuals opted to support the policies of the pro-American “moderate” governments; while those leftists, who consider themselves as anti-imperialist, acted as mere supporters of Hamas and Hezbollah; failed to extinguish themselves from these Islamists, or even more, failed to promote a real democratic and progressive approach and understanding of the going fight. It is clear that, despite the promises of Hamas that are attributed to their Islamic religious teachings not to the facts on ground, Israelis enjoy the upper hand and that their forces, with their determination to inflict as much causalities and harm as they can on the one and half million poor residents of Gaza, can defeat the resistance in Gaza. Pro-American regimes, like Egypt and Saudi Arabia, are doing anything they can to make the mission of Israeli forces as easy as possible; for example, the Egyptian regime keeps the crossings of Egypt's border with Gaza strip closed in the face of humanitarian aid, in order to keep the people of Gaza facing hunger, darkness and the cold weather, which can weaken their resistance and create resentment against Hamas' leadership.

These corrupt dictatorships became today symbols of “modernity” by neo-liberals as their master: Bush administration and its first ally in the region: Israel, the butchers of Gaza; this proved to be the best propaganda Islamists received in these days. Of course, Islamic fundamentalists do not have real solutions, neither a democratic one, of the crisis; or even the issues of fighting poverty or social

injustice; but due to the weakness of left here, and its vague understanding, and their proposed alternative, of these issues due to the strong influence of Stalinism and reformism; these Islamists are now in the first line of the demonstrations against the American – backed Israeli aggression. This only reaffirms the importance of organizing anarchist propaganda and activities, that can, by word and deed, demonstrate a new, libertarian, alternative to both neo-liberalism and fundamentalism.

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When the Pope of Rome Innokentious the third, imposed the isolation of the Judaists in ghettos for the first time in 1179, a long lasting history of violence was launched which finally resulted in the holocaust of millions of Jews in the Nazi army camps, in a climate of silence and indifference.

Sixty years after the Nagba, with the establishment of the Israeli state, the dismissal of the Palestinians from their land through a blood spilling catastrophe resulted in millions of people on the western front of the Jordan River in Gaza strip- the majority of them being refugees< living in the terrible conditions of occupation, exclusion, terrorism, bombings and tolerance in order to submit to the geopolitical plans of the sovereign Zionistic expansion of the powers in the area.

Gaza is a strip of land of only 360 sq km that is inhabited by 1,400,000 people of which 2/3 are refugees. The conditions after the predominance of the area by the organization of Hamas became destructive, having as a goal the submission of the population to the demands of Israel, USA and the cooperating with them president of the Palestinian Authority Mahmout Abas.

The isolation begins in 2001 and chronically becomes more suffocating, consequently resulting to the lack of basic needs such as water, food, fuel, electricity and medicines to the people of Gaza, which simultaneously have to deal with terrorism of the Zionist state. Through the international indifference and complicit silence, the Israeli government enjoys the awarding of the Americans and the tolerance of the EU who in their turn awards Israel despite their denial to conform to their own laws.

So, the Zionists impose their legal terrorist threat to Gaza, characterizing it as the “enemies education”, with Israel being the extending mechanism and being a controlling point by Anglo-Americans and the EU. The Cypriot government - as a faithful dog- serves in its founding the benefits of the patron of the Anglo-Americans in the period of war at the gulf, for example airports, ports and telecommunications assisting the preparation and maintenance of the invasion in Iraq. In this climate lets remember the “anti-imperialist” AKEL that “demonstrates” against the war, even though at the same time the general secretary of the AKEL was signing the assistances towards the Anglo-Americans stating that they commit to the conditions with them. Today as the president of the Cypriot democracy signs with its European partners, the exclusion, the hunger and annihilation of thousands of innocent civilian people.

The exclusion of Tripoli port from ally ships, which where based in ports of the Cypriot democracy, the use of airports for the transportation of military and personal materials towards excluded Lebanon, the bombing of Libya in 1986 and the use of airports as the starting point for bombings. In 1991 the assistances in the first attack in the gulf war, just like the attack in Afghanistan and lets not forget the participation of the Cypriot state in the transportation of war prisoners with the ghost airplane of CIA

to Guantanamo.

Moreover, we should highlight the role of the sovereign English bases on the island as in all previous circumstances that we referred to, of the participation of the English troops of occupation played and significant role of the transiting station, administrative provisionment and information in all the attacks of the area of the Middle East.

So once again the blind obedience of the Cypriot state towards its English “protectors”, that use the land of the “Independent” Cypriot State democracy uncontrollably and whenever they wish, as they bind with the agreements of Zurich- London. The managers of authority - either come from the right or left wing - always serve the same global interests allying with the universal exploitation.

The Cypriot European state was and is complicit in the slaughters in Gaza, Iraq, Libya, Afghanistan and Lebanon

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