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### **Resolution on Fascism, extreme right and Fundamentalism**

Fascism is an expression of capitalism. It appears widely in periods of economic crisis, where the contradictions of the system become more evident and the Class struggle intensifies. Moreover, it signifies that the ruling class cannot control through the existing parliamentary ways thus relies on these powers -which are criminal or even military and paramilitary organisations organisations- in fighting the popular, workers' and youth movements struggles. It must not be ignored that these powers are directly or indirectly promoted and funded by capitalist corporations and in some cases by other reactionary institutions, such as religious institutions.

Since the beginning of the economic crisis, which was initiated in 2008, extreme right-wing, nationalist, chauvinist, racist, neo-nazist and even religiously fundamentalist forces have been in the rise. By adopting a populist rhetoric, they are trying to disorientate the working class from focusing on their class opponent and instead focus on artificial divisions such as with migrants and refugees. With the implementation of these divisions, the exploitative character of imperialism is ignored, and people react with painless ways for imperialism. Furthermore, it is necessary to remark that within the framework of inter-imperialist sharpenings for resources, market and transport zones control, the nationalist rhetoric and protectionism serve as the ideological coverage to strengthen and promote the interests of certain monopolies.

1. The European Union has supported and institutionalised fascism and whitewashed its heinous crimes. The latest clear example of this, is the adoption by the majority of the European Parliament of an unacceptable resolution equating Communism and Fascism. An ahistorical approach which is dangerous not only for Communist and antiimperialist forces but for the very existence of all the peoples. This resolution constitutes a continuation of the misleading doctrine of "two extremes" referring to Communism and Fascism/Nazism. We denounce the developments in Ukraine where the people are still facing the aggression and the violence which came with the coup d'état that was openly supported by the EU and NATO. At the same time, European leaders such as Salvini in Italy, Le Pen in France, Boris Johnson in the United Kingdom and others made explicitly racist statements about migrants, refugees and minorities. Islam has also been characterised by them as a religion incompatible with their countries and Muslims as "enemies from within". Some Balkan states have raised kilometres of walls to prevent refugees from entering their countries resulting in thousands of deaths. Thousands more are also killed in the Mediterranean Sea while billions of money are spent for the reinforcement of suppressive mechanism such as Frontex. All this is the result of illegal and unilateral attacks on a series of countries ranging from Iraq to the most recent Syria and of the pillaging of economies and natural resources particularly in Africa.

2. Along the same lines, is the rhetoric followed by Donald Trump in the USA. In the recent years, the USA have become an area of increased social divisions and tension. Members of ethnically minorities, people with different sexual orientation, different religion, etc. have become the daily target of Trump administration. The authoritarian way of Trump administration has also application in its foreign policy, with the criminal blockade against Venezuela and Cuba being a prominent example.



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3. It is also important to note the racist rhetoric surrounding his willingness to build a new wall on the country's southern border. The U.S. was directly responsible for the impoverishment of the Mexican people through the signing of NAFTA, which allows the free movement of capital while blocking and persecuting people trying to cross the border in search of a future
4. In Latin America, the overthrow of a series of democratically elected governments and their replacement with dictatorships and their leader's assassination attempts are yet another form of imperialist intervention that cancel the People's will. At the same time, right wing leaders such as Bolsonaro in Brazil who have made a series of racist statements and even support the clearing of areas in the Amazon rainforests, not only are not criticized but enjoy the support of the ruling class and its governments.
5. We observe with concern the withdrawing of the article 370 from Indian constitution by the Indian government that have pushed Kashmir people in a life-threatening crisis.
6. We also reaffirm our demand for return of 1.3 million Rohingya refugees to their motherland from Bangladesh and a peaceful solution of Rohingya crisis. We condemn the genocide happened in Myanmar by the military junta.
7. Religious fundamentalism has been fuelled by imperialist forces and has been further enhanced after foreign military interventions. Fundamentalist forces seeking the complete subordination of societies to its fundamentalist religion and the restriction of people's freedoms are another way of fighting and dismantling progressive and workers' movements and as such should be opposed.
8. History has shown us how imperialism has used religion on numerous occasions as a tool to divide peoples and confront them according to their interests. Thus, Syria is a sad example of this kind of action, where both Turkey and the USA support fundamentalist groups in order to continue the war and continue to wear down the Syrian people.
9. As WFDY we stand in solidarity with all the Peoples that are under fascist, far-right fundamentalist oppression or threat and struggle to get rid of it. The current situation call for urgent action and should encourage us to strengthen even more our struggles. There is an unquestionable reactionary upturn, expressed by the rhetoric and actions of the far-right populist leaders framed within the defence of a more protectionist model of capitalism management. Their speeches and policies pave the way to the growth and development of fascism as a mass movement, and they promote and shelter their reactionary and anti-peoples action. Fascism, extreme right & fundamentalism, can effectively be fought only through the massive and organized struggle of the youth and the peoples against the unjust system that gives birth to them.