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World Peace Council Celebrates 75 Years

The **World Peace Council (WPC)** was founded right after the end of the Second World War in 1949, on the ashes of European fascism after the liberation from Nazism by peace loving forces.

Founded on the principles of “No More War – No More Fascism”, the WPC continues to this day to be on the side of the poor and oppressed peoples of the world. Over the years, the World Peace Council has mobilized its global, national affiliates to oppose US and NATO imperialist interference in the domestic affairs of other countries.



The WPC has opposed NATO from the very beginning, denouncing it as the armed wing of Western imperialism.

The world peace movement found its greatest source of support in the socialist countries of the world, and with their temporary demise the forces of war and economic imperialist domination grew in strength. With NATO's aggressive territorial encirclement of countries who refused domination by Western capitalism, the WPC proved and reaffirmed its historic role as a leading force against NATO.

The American Peace Information Center (APIC) congratulates the WPC on its 75 years of struggle.



Mission Statement



APIC is a multi-racial organization fighting against Fascism, and wars instigated by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and its Imperialist policies.





Beijing Declaration Unites Palestinians for Two-State Solution Now

July 23, 2024 marked a progressive step towards peace when 14 Palestinian factions, including the Palestinian People’s Party, Fatah, Hamas, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), and the Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) signed the Beijing Declaration on Ending Division and Strengthening Palestinian National Unity. To address immediate issues inside Gaza, the declaration demands the lifting of the siege to deliver humanitarian aid without restriction.

The declaration also seeks to resolve long-term historical issues with the establishment of an independent Palestinian state with its capital in Al-Quds/East Jerusalem, following UN Resolutions 181 and 2334 and ensuring the right of return. As the PFLP noted at the signing of the declaration, **“Unity is the strongest weapon in the face of Israel’s aggression”**.

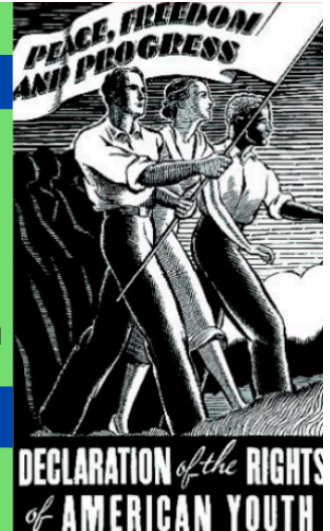
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China has laid out a three-step plan with the agreement, starting with a lasting ceasefire. Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi urged the international community to cooperate to put an end to hostilities and establish a ceasefire. Second is the governing of Palestine and the post-conflict reconstruction of the country. The main principle guiding governance would be “Palestinians governing Palestine” with China stating that there needs to be support for “Palestinian factions in establishing an interim national consensus government and realizing effective management of Gaza and the West Bank.” Third was working to make Palestine a full member of the U.N. and to implement “the two-state solution”, indicating that it “is the fundamental way forward”, as stated in the official statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People’s Republic of China.

“Reconciliation is an internal matter for the Palestinian factions, but at the same time, it cannot be achieved without the support of the international community.”

– Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi

Fatah delegate Mr. Mahmoud al-Aloul expressed appreciation for China’s continued support for Palestine, their commitment to diplomacy, and being a voice for Palestine on the international stage. Wang Yi noted that the Beijing Declaration is an “important step towards resolving the Palestinian question and (cont)

achieving peace and stability in the Middle East.”

The American Peace Information Center (APIC) supports, and will continue to support, the approach which has now been confirmed by the representatives of the Palestinian people through the Beijing Declaration: the two-state solution for an independent Palestine with East Jerusalem as its capital, based on the pre-1967 borders, including the guaranteed right of return.

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Venezuela Defeats US Imperialism with Maduro Re-election

There were 910 international delegates overseeing the electoral process in Venezuela who agreed that there was no electoral fraud, including several delegates from the American National Lawyers Guild. They observed thousands of voters participating in the election at polling centers and declared that there was no electoral fraud.



The American Peace Information Center (APIC) hails the victory over US intervention in Venezuela with the election of Nicholas Maduro as president. Maduro’s victory shows that Venezuela is not a colony of the US. This election is another nail in the coffin of American imperialist interference.

This election is a victory for the anti-imperialist forces of the world over American intervention. In spite of US proclamations against its legitimacy, the world has declared the election to be free and fair.

It is common knowledge that opposition to the process of the Bolivarian Revolution was funded by US economic interests.

The American Peace Information Center opposes the street violence of the extreme, right-wing Venezuelan armed groups. These anti-social hooligans destroyed infrastructure and caused numerous injuries and even deaths. Washington plays by its own rules... Any result other than the victory of their anointed candidate is unacceptable to them.

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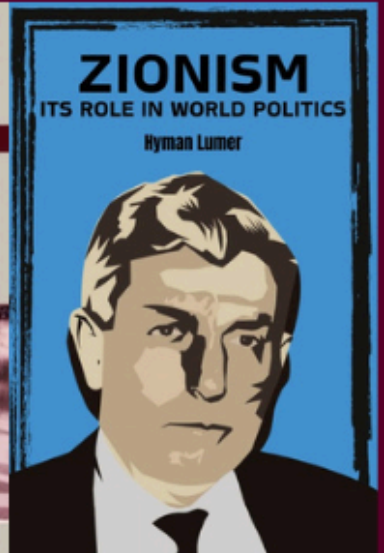
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