

found in capitalist countries and consequently serves to keep all wages depressed. It is domestic colonialism which serves as a political buffer between U.S. workers and the white ruling class, helping to obscure assaults on all workers in this country. No people will struggle against itself. Whites who are told to struggle against white racism or against many of the hard-won concessions the white ruling class was forced to make to U.S. workers, should be expected to react with antagonism. When they can't react antagonistically, they react as beneficent philanthropists who have taken up the "white man's burden".

We must continue to understand that the struggle for Black liberation in the U.S. is a struggle against imperialism. But if our understanding does not transcend this basic and general realization of our situation, we are lost. For while it is generally correct, without a greater understanding of how imperialism affects Black people in the U.S. specifically, to simply call our struggle an anti-imperialist struggle is to make it a "metaphysical" abstraction which is totally useless to the people as a guide for liberation.

The struggle for Black liberation in the U.S. is a struggle for POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE; IT IS A STRUGGLE AGAINST COLONIALISM, WHICH IS AN IMPERIALIST TACTIC USED TO EXPLOIT FOREIGN WORKERS AND NATIONS. Consequently, the U.S.-based Black liberation struggle is an anti-imperialist struggle, a fact that places our struggle in objective unity with all the working and oppressed peoples of the world. That imperialism affects Blacks in the U.S. differently than it does some others is not a cause for concern. That we should understand the differences and similarities of the worldwide

peoples' struggles against imperialism is a step toward a united effort to crush imperialism forever, and issue forth a new day of human advancement free from oppression and exploitation.

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