Who’s MAWO?

Mobilization Against War and Occupation is a coalition of over 50 endorsing organizations and also individual members, most of which are working class organizations, student groups, grassroots organizations, and ethnic communities. This is including Indigenous activists and groups from the third world as well as women, youth and elder fighters, for social justice and against war and occupation. We are the people in struggle because we are people that suffer at the hands of imperialism. We have the energy, drive and will for change because it is in our interest to make this change in order to create a better world for all of humanity!

STOP THE WAR! STOP THE OCCUPATION!

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* Upcoming Organizing Meetings *

TUESDAY OCTOBER 25
7 pm
Britannia Community Center
Learning Resource Centre
1652 Napier Street

August 26, 2011

Under the most incredibly difficult conditions – including NATO bombing, mercenary armies, and Special Forces operations and the destruction of civilian infrastructure – the heroic resistance to imperialist conquest in Libya has continued.

All the corporate media lies claiming that the defection of leader Moammar Gadhafi, the arrest of his sons and more have turned out to be more destructive lies and psychological warfare. After 159 days of bombing, in my estimation, the residence continues.

The continued resistance also exposes the lie of the so-called democratic “rebels” forces that have been set up by Britain, France, and the U.S. to facilitate the imperialist invasion of the oil-rich country. Meanwhile, arms have been distributed by the Libyan government to the whole population – something a hated dictator would never do.

As in Iraq and Afghanistan, an arrogant declaration of U.S. victory and “mission accomplished” does not mean an end to local people’s resistance, which takes many forms. The Libyan people have heroically withstood not only half a year of bombing, but also a half of racist corporate media propaganda seeking to portray the U.S.-NATO military machine, both poetically and once again, as great white liberators.

While resistance continues in Libya, we in the center of U.S. imperialism must continue our resistance to the criminal war there – even as the prolonged economic war against oppressed people continues within the U.S.

An IAC-organized truth tour featuring former Congressperson Cynthia McKinney – who traveled to Libya to be an eyewitness to the U.S.-NATO attack – has built major opposition meetings in 21 cities across the country. At each meeting, which was undertaken by a local coalition of forces, hundreds of anti-war and anti-imperialist and community activists attended.

These meetings against U.S. war in Libya have been the largest series of anti-war meetings held in Canada; at the same time, the IAC has been in the streets, organizing protests across the country.

The U.S. war in Libya is a first aggressive step in the expansion of wars of colonial conquest in Africa. It means new imperialism, threats against Sudan and Somalia. It means more belligerent targeting of other countries in Middle East, especially Syria and Iran.

Help us continue resistance to U.S./NATO war on Libya!
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Statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cuba

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has proceeded to withdraw its diplomatic personnel in Libya, because of foreign intervention and the NATO military aggression have intensified the conflicts and have prevented the Libyan people from advancing towards a negotiated and peaceful solution in the full exercise of their self-determination and sovereignty.

The Republic of Cuba does not recognize the National Transition Council or any other governmental authority and will only give its recognition to a government legitimately constituted in that country without foreign intervention and through the free, sovereign and sole will of the sister Libyan people.

Ambassador Víctor Ramírez Peña and First Secretary Armando Pérez Suárez, both accredited in Tripoli, have maintained an impeccable conduct, strictly adhering to their diplomatic status, have run risks and have been good allies of the Libyan people in this tragic situation. They have been direct witnesses of NATO bombings of civilian targets and the deaths of innocent people.

On the crude pretext of protecting civilians, NATO has killed thousands, destroyed initiatives of the African Union and other countries and has even violated the questionable resolutions imposed by the Security Council, in particular by attacking civilian targets, by funding and supplying weapons to one side, as well as the nothing but lies of the operator and diplomatic personnel on the ground.

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The United Nations has ignored the clamor of international public opinion in the defense of peace and has become the accomplice of a war of conquest. Events are clearly demonstrating that Commander-in-Chief Fidel Castro Ruz and Cuba’s foreign policy, committed to the defense of peace and has become an example of how to respect the right of the Syrian people to their own independence and self-determination.

Cuba affirms that nothing can justify the killing of innocent people...
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Thousands rallied in New York and San Francisco, while coordinated rallies were held in 10 Canadian and 6 Pakistani cities, as well as demonstrations in London, Paris, Berlin, Rome, Brussels, and Madrid. This broadly coordinated action has been missing from the antiwar movement in Canada and world-wide. There is much to be learned from the coalitions that have organized rallies in the U.S since the beginning of the campaign. The CPA has organized rallies, as well as the March 19th, March 26th and May 23rd rallies in New York City, as well as the ANSWER, the International Action Center (IAC) and others. Two speakers invited by Stopwar.ca spent 15 minutes outlining what these actions in Canada is unclear at best, and could even be understood at worst as pro-war.

At the Stopwar.ca rally in Vancouver we saw that two of the speakers invited by Stopwar.ca were justifying and advocating IN FAVOUR of the current NATO intervention in Libya. These two speakers, one from Stopwar.ca rally really have a place at an anti-war rally by any occurring coalition. This is organized, imperialist campaign to intervene in a civil war and overthrow the independent government of Libya. This invasion is illegal. If you don’t want those people [foreign forces] bombing Libya, you are saying, ‘Let Ghadafi kill us!’ – “If you don’t want those people [foreign forces] bombing Libya, you are saying, ‘Let Ghadafi kill us!’ ”

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The tour is an example of how to build an anti-imperialist alliance that can answer the phony “anti-terrorists” and give the people of Burma, and in this sense, imperialism.

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Open Letter to Stopwar.ca (CPA)