Billionaire Warren Buffett admitted in a 2006 interview that he and his fellow billionaires waged class war against the workers. The U.S.-based imperialist ruling class, makes it a global war against all workers and poor people and most nations.

The U.S. rockets sent to the Kiev regime in Ukraine and the scabs hired to work in place of striking New York City nurses are weapons in this global class war. Stop Israel’s racist genocide

No to fascist coup in Brazil

Organize resistance!

The more New York City hospitals agreed to new contracts, the more state and local bosses greedily pushed for less. The near death of Damar Hamlin

California grad students’ strike ends

New York City nurses strike

Workers World urges anti-imperialists worldwide to condemn the fascist assault on the elected president of Brazil and to condemn in advance any attempt by elements of the Brazilian officer corps to seize power from the elected government. WW supports any mass actions the Brazilian working class and people take to defend the government they chose.

The storming of Brazil’s National Congress, the Planalto presidential residence and the Supreme Court

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University of California grad students’ strike ends

By Martha Grevatt

After nearly six weeks on the picket line, 48,000 graduate students at the University of California voted to accept a new contract. This ended the largest academic strike in U.S. labor history.

Solidarity was strong throughout the strike, with student workers risking arrest by engaging in acts of civil disobedience. Construction workers continued to work on new campus buildings, and Teamsters stopped delivering packages to the universities during the strike. Members of numerous unions joined the picket lines and attended strike rallies.

Members of the three striking United Auto Workers locals — 2865, 5810 and Student

Researchers United-UAW — won significant pay increases, along with transportation and child care subsidies. The contract improves health benefits, job security language and language on bullying, harassment and discrimination.

However, the pay increases fell short of what the union initially demanded. On average, base pay remains below $50,000 after the first big raise, which doesn’t kick in until Oct. 1. UC management refused to grant a key demand of the strike: housing subsidies to offset the high cost of living in California. Other shortcomings include the retention of fees of around $15,000 per year, which out-of-state students, including international students, are required to pay.

Another concern of contract opponents — including 15 members of the 40-member negotiating team — is that the contract creates “tiers,” something UAW members in manufacturing are all too familiar with. Typically lower pay tiers are introduced for workers hired after a certain date, creating a divisive system where workers working side-by-side, doing the exact same work, are paid differently.

The UC contract instead has higher pay scales at more prestigious campuses in the 10-campus system. A rank and file-led “vote no” campaign convinced 58% of those who voted to reject the contract, with a majority voting in favor, the contract goes into effect with the strike’s end.

Whatever the gains or shortcomings in the contract, this historic strike provided a stellar example of what solidarity looks like, today and in the future.

Martha Grevatt is a retired Chrysler (now Stellantis) worker who served on the executive boards of United Auto Workers Locals 2865 and 869.

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By Betsey Piette
Philadelphia

Dec. 16 — Supporters and family of Pennsylvania political prisoner Mumia Abu-Jamal filled the courtroom and demonstrated outside the Philadelphia Criminal Justice Center, where Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas Judge Lucretia Clemons was set to reveal whether she would continue the long miscarriage of justice against Mumia — 41 years in prison — or place herself on the side of justice and rule in Abu-Jamal’s favor. It was called last year and set to begin this Jan. 6. (tinyurl.com/52m3n4t5) As of Jan. 12, Philadelphia’s Black-owned WURD Radio 900AM/96.1FM will host a special program on Abu-Jamal’s case from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. (tinyurl.com/yjyx6dfs) Abu-Jamal’s supporters are determined to continue to fight until Mumia is free.

By Wadiya Jamal

Wadiya Jamal during visit with Mumia.

The following message from Mumia was aired on Prison Radio Dec. 30, following the death of Wadiya Jamal on Dec. 27.

She was a baby born, in the first week of April 1953 — a West Philly girl, whose beauty made her shine in a crowd. She was the pure light of a lion. This light blessed the lives of five beautiful children, and it blessed me. As mother and grandmother, she radiated like a sun over her planet; and when anyone was lost, her mighty love was cracked by such loss — her mother, her father, her brother Jimmy, and perhaps racial rage. But the love she gave her family, Samiya, was the deepest crack, the deepest wound.

When the light that allowed us to see Microsoft Office when we arrived to Pennsylvania in 1980, she wanted all her children and grandchildren love you and will always love you. Your smile was the only sunshine we ever needed, and we need it now. We love you, Wa-Wa. We miss you. With love, not fear, this is Mumia Abu-Jamal.

News whiteout of Pennsylvania prison strike

By Marie Kelly
Philadelphia

Incarcerated workers held captive in Pennsylvania prisons called a labor strike in the name of Subaltern Peoples Abolitionist Revolutionary Collective (SPARC). The demonstration “to protest against the State’s oppressive policies” was announced and set to begin this Jan. 6. (tinyurl.com/3gmnd4u) As of this writing, the outcome of that event is unknown, as the repressive carceral system makes it extremely difficult for persons incarcerated to communicate with those on the outside.

Is the strike happening? Is it still going on? No. It suppressed and organized retaliations rather than, or is the movement growing?

“Acknowledging a prison strike and its scope is to register the prevailing wisdom in prison administration,” Jared Ware explained in Prison Nov. 11. “In 2018, leading up to the national prison strike, prison associations advocated the use of disinformation campaigns, when dealing with prisoner resistance, to manage the disruption and discourage further participation.” (tinyurl.com/ycxbdxcp)

We will learn more as news trickles out of the prisons. We look forward to follow-ups of those involved. However, whether the strike action occurred is not the sole determinant of victory.

In the continuing spirit of the Attica Rebellion, these incarcerated activists in the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections (PA DOC) were undeterred by the risk they were taking in calling a strike. First, they checked in with their peers and surveyed their complaints. They listened and learned, a fundamental organizational process.

Next, SPARC members drafted a list of demands:

• end sexual harassment and rape by staff in women’s facilities;
• end harassment and racism in all facilities;
• raise wages for all workers — minimum wage for skilled workers and C.I. workers;
• end outsourcing mail to Florida;
• end outsourcing commissary to Secure Pak;
• end price gouging on tablets;
• allow video visits on tablets;
• pass the Geriatric Bill;
• end life sentences for second-degree murder;
• parole eligibility for everyone after 15 years;
• end life sentences for third-degree murder;
• end parole for lifers;
• adequate and edible food served at required temperature;
• end inhumane solitary confinement;
• end RHU (Restricted Housing Unit) to prisoners to order food;
• open visiting room to pre-pandemic levels;
• open dining halls;
• provide more recreation/outdoor exercise time followed by showers;
• criteria for (earning) commutation instead of arbitrary decisions;
• parole eligibility for everyone after 15 years;
• flat sentencing;
• family picnic days on visits;
• conjugal visits;
• single cells for those (who) want those.

Alabama-Pennsylvania solidarity

In a statement issued in November 2022, SPARC categorized the PA DOC as the “enemy of public safety and human rights.”

In reviewing the demands, one can only imagine the cruel, deplorable consequences that these concerns of the working class face every day. They are denied basic human needs: adequate food, physical activity, hygiene, housing, and loving family ties. On top of that, they are constantly threatened by an oppressive punitive system.

The incarcerated activists of SPARC stressed their solidarity with the Alabama incarcerated strikers. This is a reference to the strike of thousands of incarcerated workers in 31 prisons in Alabama. That strike began in September 2022 and disrupted normal facility operations, when incarcerated workers walked off food service, laundry and other areas participated in a work stoppage. Some of the Alabama demands are the same as those made in Pennsylvania, including eliminating life without parole and streamlining processes for elderly release and medical furloughs.

With a touch of irony, SPARC members expressed their affinity with Alabama by stating that Pennsylvania is Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, with Alabama in between. The ultraright tendencies in the middle of Pennsylvania are well documented. It is also where state prison facilities are located, employing residents drawn from some of the most racist, white-supremacist populations.

These powerful words from the SPARC activists convincingly highlight that the carceral state is irretrievably flawed and should be abolished: “We at SPARC have been organizing in PA prisons for years. We’ve been building our movement with focus on addressing the struggles going on right now. It’s clear from the failure to return to pre-COVID normal procedure that the administration intends to keep us under elevated restrictions indefinitely. Not only that, but there are many problems with the Pennsylvania injustice system that are not being remedied by politicians and lawyers.

“We intend to do our part. Prisons are modern-day slave plantations, which only make profits for our exploiters if we do work. The more of us who refuse to labor for the slave master, the less the system can function. We have the power to shut it down and change conditions for the better.”

Solidarity with our fellow workers behind the walls! Their courage should inspire us. Their bold action constitutes victory. Free them all! ☐
After month-long strike
Starbucks unionists face challenges

By Janiselle Mills
New York City

“You are demanding that this city will respect the dignity of labor. So often we overlook the work and the significance of those who are not in professional jobs or those who are not in the so-called big jobs. But let me say to you tonight, that whenever you are engaged in work that serves humanity and is for the building of humanity, it has dignity, and it has worth.”

— Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,
AFSCME Memphis, Tennessee,
Sanitation Strike, April 4, 1968

Following 2022’s year of worker uprisings, solidarity is crucial for consolidating union victories, which the bosses have their sights trained on to undermine. From Amazon to Trader Joe’s to Starbucks, the overall anti-union strategy is the same: pit workers against each other, or actively disparaging Starbucks unions. The head organizer of this strike, Ley Kido, told WW that one of the main reasons so many workers voted against striking was the fear of retaliation, which was not unfounded. Employees have faced threats of investigations from higher-ups over food mark-outs, and they have been chastised for dress codes. It’s gotten to the point where the Roastery workers have received a suspicious practice, such as being encouraged to take old food home, in fear of being later persecuted for stealing from the coffee company.

When talks of returning to work occurred, many chose to leave, as they considered being asked to expose themselves and their loved ones to infestation in their store. After 30 days of picketing, negotiating with management and rallying, on the evening of Dec. 9, 2022, the workers decided to end their strike.

Starbucks fosters division, anxiety on the job

Starbucks bosses have exploited the fact that not all workers went out on strike, and they did everything possible to pit workers against each other. This includes verbally disparaging the picketing employees, ignoring them altogether, or actively disparaging Starbucks unions.

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Workers World’s message for 2023: Fight for a socialist future!

Workers World is a workers’ newspaper, working class newspaper, aiming at the start of the new year, we hail the many struggles for union recognition and rights, higher wages and safer working conditions of railroad workers, Starbucks, Amazon, graduate students and other brave workers who are justly fighting for their rights.

WW lauds the members of the multinational, multinational, multigenerational working class who are courageously taking on corporate bosses, some of the richest people in the world, who deprive workers of livable wages and decent working conditions to keep on accumulating wealth.

Our pages have devoted much space to news of the brave Amazon Labor Union, which seeks to organize those whose labor increases the coffers of billionaires. WW applauds the bold young organizers who unionized 270 Starbucks stores in 2022, staying strong against hostile union-busting bosses. Their victories are inspiring workers around the country to organize.

Our newspaper’s staff members have walked picket lines and attended rallies for these and other workers. Many writers are current or retired union members and organizers. WW’s point of view is not rooted on the workers’ side against corporate bosses. Our newspaper gets to the crux of the problems workers face: capitalism, the system based on exploiting the majority of people to enrich the wealthiest few.

WW encourages workers to take their policies and their rights as employees to prepare for any adversity. They make sure to prepare their group for confrontations with management and to act as each other’s worker representative when needed.

Union Roastery activists have joined forces with other organizations to further amplify their voices, and they continue to think of ways to re-in our people to lead on, in this ongoing struggle for health and safety. Management is counting on the fact that union-anti forces can legally start a petition to decertify the union one year after a successful union vote. For the Roastery, that anniversary is April 1, just around the corner.

Solidarity for this campaign is therefore crucial and can take many forms. If you live in New York City, one thing supporters can do is go to the Starbucks Reserve Roastery and order coffee. When the barista asks for your name, respond by saying you want your coffee “union strong.” When the barista yells out who paid, the whole store will hold support for the union.

When we celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day, rarely do we hear of his fierce support of laborers and their struggle for respect. This January the Starbucks Roastery Reserve is a shining example of workers demanding the dignity of labor.

And as the workers’ struggles continue, Workers World Party will be prepared to support their efforts as we have so steadfastly done before.

Bangladeshi community demands
Justice for Arif Sayed Faisal!

By Steve Gillis
Cambridge, Massachusetts

On the sunny afternoon of Jan. 4, a Cambridge cop, accompanied by others also armed with lethal and nonlethal weapons, gunned down and killed 20-year-old Arif Sayed Faisal. By all accounts, receiving a 911 call about a person in distress and harming himself, police followed and directed Faisal for 15 minutes or more through his own neighborhood before killing him.

According to statements immediately published by his family and friends, Sayed Faisal was well-known and loved in the Bangladesh community, 6,000 strong in Cambridge, and in his neighborhood. He was known as a talented computer science student at the University of Massachusetts-Boston, a sensitive artist, athlete and a hard worker at a local CVS.

Reported accounts from the scene, by insulated police, indicated Faisal was clearly suffering a mental health crisis on Jan. 4, apparently trying to harm himself with a pair of Asian utility knife.

The next day, grieving and outraged members of Faisal’s family and leaders of the Bangladesh Association of New England (BANE) protested at Cambridge City Hall, calling for an immediate investigation into police accountability for the killing.

They had a banner reading, “Justice for Sayed Faisal,” held by his father with his beautiful son’s image. The signs they made on site demanded “Stop Police Brutality” and “Police w/ Guns & Bullets Fear Us!”

Speaking at the entrance to Cambridge City Hall, Pervin Chowdhury, president of the Islamic Society of Boston, BANE, noted: “This is not the first time that a proud Black body has fallen to the white-supremacist institution, which is the police in this country. We need to keep in mind that the police and the resources they have are not for the protection or security of citizens like you and me. The combination is there to support and protect the institutions of white supremacy and white killings.”

At a Jan. 6 press conference in Cambridge City Hall, calling for an immediate investigation into the police killing occurred in the ultra-conservative paranoia of this new holiday season, no one has time to pontificate.

But due to the overwhelming nature of a Manhattan Starbucks business during the holiday season, no one has time to ponder the subconscious paranoia of this new anxiety on the job.

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Workers World relies on our readers’ backing.

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Issues behind near death of Damar Hamlin

By Nigel Bouvart
Buffalo, New York

Bulletin: As we go to press, Hamlin has returned home to Buffalo.

Unprecedented tragedy struck at the Bills’ training facility in Buffalo, New York, 2, when 24-year-old Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin collapsed suddenly, following a tackle during which he was hit hard in the chest by the helmet of Tee Higgins, a Cincinnati Bengals wide receiver. After falling down, Hamlin stood up and almost immediately collapsed backward as he suffered a cardiac arrest.

A standby ambulance was promptly backed onto the field, and EMTs adminis- tered lifesaving CPR, restarting Hamlin’s heart after nine minutes of strenuous effort. The player was then rushed to the University of Virginia Medical Center, where he was sedated and put on a ventilator.

CNN reported Jan. 7 that Hamlin is still in intensive care and in critical condition. He regained consciousness and does not appear to have suffered any cognitive loss. His breathing tube was removed, and he is now in regular conversation with his family. He is verbally communicating with his family members, teammates and medical team and posting messages on social media.

Durant the CPR efforts, players from both teams gathered around Hamlin, and the air of toughness that typically surrounds U.S. football games dissolved, as players held hands and openly wept at the sight of their teammate. Commentators were at a loss for words, and media coverage repeatedly broke for commercial breaks, while everyone awaited word on the status of the game. After the ambulance was driven off the field, word came: The game would con- tinue after a five-minute warm-up.

Players deny official, walk off field

The players did not comply. In a defi- ant workplace action, traumatized play- ers from both teams walked off the field and called their NFL Players Association representatives.

The head coaches of both teams met briefly on and off the field, apparently agreeing that the game could not continue. An hour after Hamlin’s collapse, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell made the call that anyone with a conscience would have made immediately—the game was “temp- orarily” halted and then canceled. The League eventually stated on Jan. 6 that the game will not be rescheduled.

The NFL leadership has since claimed that they never had any intention of letting the game play on, and that these five-min- ute warm-up call was made on-site offi- cials merely going by the book. That claim is contradicted by ESPN, which issued a statement that their commentators were simply relaying information given to them directly by the NFL.

The League’s claim is also shown to be a lie by their repeated disregard for the life and well-being of its players in favor of maintaining profits and executive sal- aries. For instance, the League’s decades of downsplaying and outright denying the dangers posed to players by chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE), for instance, is well-documented. A 2016 settlement awarded $1 billion to affected players, but to date only 6.5% of that has been paid out.

Union protection is key

Former NFLPA President Dominique Foxworth, now an ESPN analyst, pointed to the situation surrounding Hamlin’s col- lapse as illustrating the necessity of players having collective bargaining. On numerous talk shows, Foxworth harkened back to NFLPA negotiations during the NFL’s over-four-month lockout of players in 2011: “I remember going through CBA negoti- ations, and I remember fighting for health and safety advancements and fighting for a time-out cap. I remember some of these people in the media—who were out- pouring and caring last night—they were calling us greedy. Some of these same people were get back on the field.”

“Maybe it’s uncomfortable for people to hear me talk about CBA negotiations in times like this,” but it is essential for the players “to continue fighting to change their lives. As we were remined last night, there is no limit on the risk for the players; but there is a salary cap on what they can make. I understand how it can be unseemly to talk about this right now, but it reminds me so much that everyone who’s working with the NFL does not have to be no cap on how much they can enjoy and appreciate.” (Fox News, Jan. 3)

One is reminded of incidents at an Amazon warehouse in Bessemer, Alabama, where, in 2021, two workers, Thomas Becker and Billy Fostier, had heart attacks a few months apart. In both cases, Amazon management failed to react in time to provide lifesaving care, and both workers died. After these tragedies, workers on the floor were told to promptly get back to work. (Guardian, Oct. 18, 2019)

The difference? NFL players have a union; most Amazon workers do not. Hopefully, NFL players will take Damar Hamlin’s plight as a call to action and fight for a safer workplace and better dis- ability benefits.

Organized workers’ power saves lives.
When we fight together, we win!

ILWU must oppose the U.S./NATO-provoked war!

This statement was released on Dec. 15, 2022.

We, members and retirees of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU), are very concerned about the ongoing conflict in Ukraine that began after an公然的 Maidan coup in February 2014.

Ukraine has been in a state of perpet- ual war since. The war has impacted millions, scarring Ukrainian cities, towns, and provinces.

The ILWU has always criticized NATO’s efforts to provoke conflict in Ukraine and its actions toward Russia’s border by adding military forces and weapons.

The ILWU must call for an end to the war.

While ILWU is confronting the Pacific Maritime Association (PMA) over auto- rity to strike at the Port of Oakland, it is critical that ILWU members and retirees join the worldwide call for an end to the war.

Dockworkers Council (European Section) issued a declaration in February calling for an end to the war.

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The ILWU must oppose the U.S./NATO-provoked war!

The neofascist Azov Brigade opened fire on the two newly founded republics of the Donbass region, killing over 15,000 civilians. African immigrants in Ukraine attempting to flee the war were subjected to racial discrimination by the Zelensky government.

Furthermore, their neoliberal capitalist government just passed Law 3751, mean- ing 70% of Ukraine’s workers cannot have unions, negotiate collective bargaining agreements or strike. This law further elevates the power of employers.

The ILWU must call for an end to the war. The most importantly we must appeal for port actions to the International Dockworkers Council (IDC) and the International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) to refuse to handle mili- tary cargo by dockworkers around the world. They both opposed the Zions mas- sacre of Palestinians last year. They can call for an end to the war now. International workers’ actions to refuse to handle military cargo can stop it.

Signed by: Angela Davis (Honorary Member, ILWU Local 10), Brian McWilliams (#1203 past International President, ILWU), Larry Wright (#523 retired Local 10 and 91), Clarence Thomas (#8718 retired Local 10), Dan Coffman (#9256 past President of Longview, Washington, Local 21), James Curtis (#9639 retired Local 10), Keith Shanklin (#13303 past International President, ILWU), Kevin Gibbons (#9099 Local 10 and 34), Kevin Gibbons (IBU), Damar Hamlin

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No to fascist coup in Brazil!

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by Otis Grotewohl

The racist, apartheid government of Israel wasted no time in starting off the new year by murdering two young Palestinian men, while threatening further Zionist settler expansion in the occupied West Bank.

During the second week of January, Palestinian scholar Mohammad Samer Hoshieh and 25-year-old Fouad Mahmoud Abed on Jan. 2 in Kufr Dan, a town northwest of Jenin in Palestine. The killings occurred after Zionist soldiers raided the community to demolish the homes of two other Palestinians, who had been shot down at a Jamal al Muhaisn checkpoint last September. Additionally, Israeli occupants killed at least 171 Palestinians in the West Bank and East Jerusalem in 2022. At least 9,000 more Palestinians were reported injured that year. (Al Jazeera, Jan. 2)

The recent atrocities coincide with promises made by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his new right-wing government, formed following the Nov. 1 elections. Netanyahu made several extreme right-wing promises during the campaign. This reactionary Right has a sordid track record of espousing violent anti-Arab racism and Islamophobia.

Netanyahu’s new coalition government, which is led by his own Likud Party as well as segments of the Shas and Religious Zionism Parties, is so right wing that even the corporate media is expressing concern. A USA Today article warned, “The road to peace for Netanyahu to form the most right-wing government in the history of Israel.” (Nov. 2, 2022) In addition to their pledge to enhance settlements in the West Bank, these reactionary vows to legalize “wildcat” terrorist Zionist settlements.

The Zionist regime murdered over 230 Palestinians last year.

By Luis Ignacio ‘Luja’ da Silva, Brazil’s president once more.

Party (PT) government faces a hostile leg-islature, rightist state regimes on Brazil’s border and the danger from fascist pro-Bolsonaro mobs.

PT leader Gleisi Hoffmann condemned the collaboration of the Federal District government with the Bolsonarist mob, which she noted was neither “a mass movement, nor is it spontaneous. It is organized by bandits, who have very objective inter-est: illegal mining, land grabbing, weapons release, militias and other things, all blessed by Bolsonaro.” (TeleSUR English, Jan. 8)

Luiza’s election and the memory of her first and second administrations gave a message of hope for a better life to the Brazilian workers, farmers, to the Afro-Brazilian pop-ulation, to LGBT+ Brazilians. But the assault in Brazil was a blud. Elections can indicate the political con-sciousness of the working class and poor, but the ruling class still gives orders to the police, courts and army.

The Brazilian working class has every right to mobilize and to unite all sections of the Brazilian people to defend the Lula government against the fascist threat. And the Brazilian Left deserves the solidarity of all worldwide who oppose militarism and fascist rule.

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By Luis Ignacio ‘Luja’ da Silva, Brazil’s president once more.

Party (PT) government faces a hostile leg-islature, rightist state regimes on Brazil’s border and the danger from fascist pro-Bolsonaro mobs.

PT leader Gleisi Hoffmann condemned the collaboration of the Federal District government with the Bolsonarist mob, which she noted was neither “a mass movement, nor is it spontaneous. It is organized by bandits, who have very objective inter-est: illegal mining, land grabbing, weapons release, militias and other things, all blessed by Bolsonaro.” (TeleSUR English, Jan. 8)

Luiza’s election and the memory of her first and second administrations gave a message of hope for a better life to the Brazilian workers, farmers, to the Afro-Brazilian pop-ulation, to LGBT+ Brazilians. But the assault in Brazil was a blud. Elections can indicate the political con-sciousness of the working class and poor, but the ruling class still gives orders to the police, courts and army.

The Brazilian working class has every right to mobilize and to unite all sections of the Brazilian people to defend the Lula government against the fascist threat. And the Brazilian Left deserves the solidarity of all worldwide who oppose militarism and fascist rule.

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Japan rears under Washington’s pressure

By Sara Flounders

The Dec. 16 announcement by Japan’s Prime Minister Fumio Kishida of a new defense strategy, while doubling military spending by 2027 to implement it, is the largest defense shake-up in decades and a wake-up call to the antirearmament movement.

The decision openly acquires offensive weapons and reshaping its military command structure for its expanded offensive tool defending capitalist property against military rearmament and prison system. The U.S. occupiers funded by raising taxes. A "cornerstone" of Japan’s security policy.

A U.S.-Japan alliance is now defined as a "cornerstone" of Japan’s security policy. (U.S. Institute of Peace, Dec. 19)

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The U.S.-Japan national security strategy should be applauded: “(Foreign Affairs, Dec. 23) Japan’s largest trading partner in both imports and exports. Previous National Defense Strategy documents said Japan was seeking a “mutually beneficial strategic partnership” with China. Suddenly Japanese strategists started labeling China “the greatest strategic challenge in ensuring the peace and security of Japan.” (U.S. Institute of Peace, Dec. 10)

The U.S. and later NATO used the reharmonized U.S.-Japan Alliance as a base for nuclear submarines. The U.S. used this as a “cornerstone” to redownload its nuclear arsenal into the U.S.-Japan alliance.

According to the new National Security Strategy (NSS), other islands, which are part of the chain south-west of Japan, will be further militarized. U.S. military installations on the island of Okinawa are a focal point for military exercises, training and deployment.
Días antes de Año Nuevo, el presidente Joe Biden firmó un acuerdo de $1,7 billones de dólares para el año fiscal 2023, designando el presupuesto para ese el desafío gubernamental llamado "discrecional". Si uno tuviera que describir el proyecto de ley en dos palabras, sería: "millones". América está volviendo a pintar el papel de los partidos imperialistas de guerra republicanos y demócratas en el manejo de este proyecto de ley, debe- mos describir el presupuesto como realmente es.

El presupuesto proporciona los fondos para las oficinas de las naciones del mundo, incluida la clase obrera de Estados Unidos. Entrega al Pentágono más dinero del que Biden siquiera pidió, más de 900 millardos de dólares. Financia la guerra por poderes en Ucrania contra Rusia; aumenta la ayuda militar al régimen israelí para oprimir a los pales- tinos y apoderearse de sus tierras. Sumando Construcción Militar/Asuntos de Veteranos, Seguridad Nacional y el Control de armamentos para policías y prisiones, el presupuesto se provee para el Departamento de Defensa, más de 1,1 billones de dólares se utilizarán para reforzar el aparato represivo del Estado. Eso proviene principalmente de gravar los ingresos retenidos de la clase trabajadora. La tasa de impuestos del Estado.

La clase trabajadora de los E.U.A. en 2022 irrumpió en acción. Las y los tra- bajadores de los trabajadores de los departamentos de Amazon, los baristas de Starbucks, los profesores en las universidades. El sindicato Amazon Labor Union consiguió una victoria histórica al organizar el primer sindicato de trabajadores más explotados de las grandes universidades. Los sindicatos de trabajadores más explotados de las grandes universidades.

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Muchos republicanos de la Cámara de Representantes hicieron juicio obteniendo las elevadas sumas destinadas a la ayuda militar al régimen de Kiev en Ucrania, que medio debería malinterpretar su voto negativo como una oposición a la guerra imperialista. Se pronunciaron principal- mente en contra de cualquier parte del presupuesto total que pueda ayudar a aumentar la presión sobre algunos de los miembros más pobres de la sociedad estadounidense, a los que con- sideran indignos, incluso de las migajas ofrecidas. Se quejaron de que se le estaba ayudando a Ucrania pero no se construyeron un muro en la frontera sur de Estados Unidos para castigar a los seres humanos del Sur Global por las crímenes que ha creado el imperialismo.

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