

Int'l Court puts Israel on notice for war crimes

By Monica Moorehead

The International Court of Justice (ICJ), the highest court within the United Nations, issued a preliminary decision Jan. 26, on the complaint submitted by the South African government on Dec. 29, 2023, that documented all aspects of Israeli genocide against the Palestinian people in Gaza.

In response to the Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v. Israel) with a 15-2 ruling, the judges concluded that at least some of the rights claimed by South Africa and for which it is seeking protection for Gazans are "plausible."

In summary, the ICJ states that Israel must carry out certain operative measures to be followed by a report to the top court on Feb. 26. These measures include that Israel must do everything to prevent a genocide, punish those who incite genocide, allow humanitarian assistance be provided to Gaza and prevent the destruction of evidence. The complete ICJ ruling can be read at tinyurl.com/3ymn3uf3.

Glaringly missing from the ICJ decision was a call for an immediate ceasefire to halt the indiscriminate bombing of Gaza. Since October 7, over 27,000 civilians have been slaughtered, including over 12,000 children and over 65,000 people were wounded, according to a Jan. 28 report by the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza. These shocking numbers don't include untold thousands more buried under rubble due to Israeli airstrikes, paid for by billions of U.S. taxpayer dollars. Over 6,300 Palestinians, including children, have been kidnapped and

detained without charges since Oct. 7.

In an unfathomable response to the ICJ decision, a White House spokesperson, John Kirby, stated at a Jan. 26 press conference: "The case brought by South Africa against Israel is meaningless, because there is no intentional genocide, the true number of civilian deaths is zero." (@EyeonPalestine on X)

On the one hand, it is understandable

this genocide.

But on the other hand, it is also understandable that millions of others, including some Palestinian resistance groups, say that the ICJ ruling did not go far enough in failing to demand a ceasefire; and that Israel will be given carte blanche to continue its harrowing ethnic cleansing, not only with bombs dropped from the air but with more mass starvation for hundreds of thousands on the ground. Israelis continue to block entry of many tons of humanitar-

ICJ can only make recommendations based on any facts it rules as viable, like the 84-page document presented in the South Africa complaint.

Also, some legal experts remarked that because Israel is viewed as a country (albeit an illegal country since 1948) and Gaza is an occupied territory, that it was not within the legal jurisdiction of the ICJ to call for a ceasefire. This limitation, however, should not have prevented the ICJ from politically expressing the necessity and urgency for a ceasefire.

The fact that Israel was given a month to carry out measures to stop its genocide suggested by the ICJ has and will result in more massacres and more starvation for Gazan civilians. Also, Israel, along with the U.S. and its imperialist partners, has denounced the findings of the ICJ.

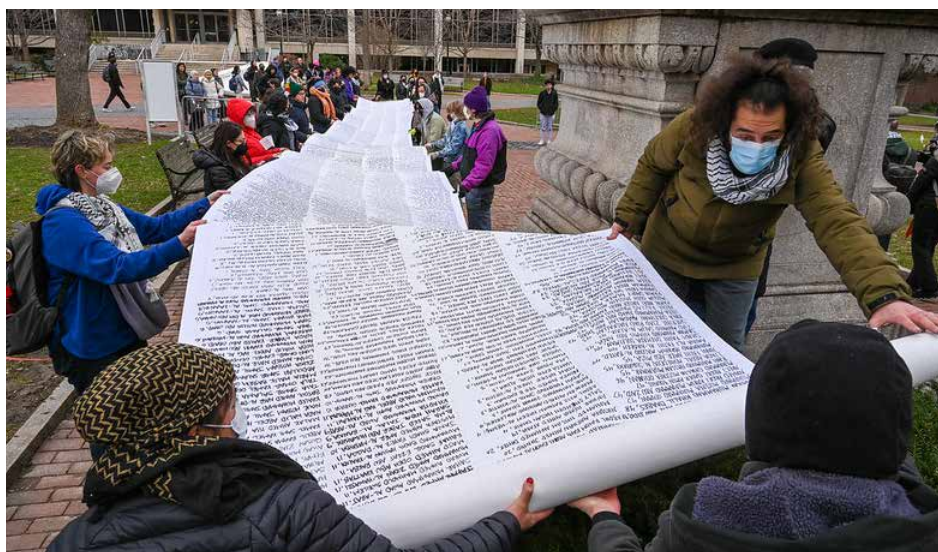
Just 48 hours after the ICJ decision was issued, the Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Monitor reported: "We documented the martyrdom of more than 373 Palestinians and the injury of more than 643 after the International Court of Justice's decision. Residents were forced to bury dozens of martyrs in the courtyard of Nasser Hospital and establish four mass graves in areas in Khan Younis to bury bodies amid the 'Israeli' siege and targeting.

"Only 87 aid trucks entered the Strip on Friday and Saturday, less than half of what Israel allowed to enter before the court's decision in the same period. The occupation army continues to kill Palestinians as they gather on Salah Al-Din Street southeast of Gaza City waiting for aid trucks.

"We observed the establishment of a security checkpoint by the occupation army on Al-Rasheed Street [along the sea coast] west of Khan Younis refugee camp,

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Scroll listing some of the 27,000 people massacred by Israel in Gaza, unfurled during faculty protest at UPenn, Philadelphia, Jan. 29, 2024.

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that this ruling is viewed by millions of people around the world as a moral victory that will lead to the further isolation of the heinous apartheid Israeli regime, whose criminal leaders have publicly called for the extermination and displacement of the Palestinian population in Gaza to make way for more illegal Zionist settlements. Also this ruling implicitly implicates the criminal role of the Biden administration along with Britain in aiding and abetting

ian aid—especially food, medical supplies and clean water into Gaza. And what aid does trickle in is met by Israelis killing and wounding any Gazans attempting to obtain the food aid.

Limitations of ICJ and ongoing Israeli aggression

It is important to know that the ICJ does not have the authority to concretely enforce or police any of its rulings. The

Hamas, PFLP hold joint meeting

The following joint statement was posted on Resistance News Network on Jan. 29, 2024.

A Hamas delegation visited the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine headquarters in Beirut, confirming that no exchange of prisoners will take place until a complete stop to the aggression. They called for a complete withdrawal of Zionist forces from Gaza before any exchange, on the basis of all Zionist prisoners for all Palestinian prisoners.

Both parties praised the steadfastness of the Palestinian people, their adherence to their land and their resistance in Gaza and the West Bank. They demanded the permanent opening of the Rafah crossing, as well as the entry of food, medical aid and fuel, as well as providing housing and tents for the people of Gaza.

They praised the decision of the International Court of Justice, which indicted the Zionist entity on charges of genocide. They also condemned the Zionist-Western incite-

ment campaign against UNRWA [United Nations Relief and Works for Palestine Refugees Agency], which led to the halting of financial support to the agency, noting this as an escalation against the Palestinian people everywhere.

Finally, they stressed the importance of unifying the Palestinian front by forming a unified national leadership for the Palestinian people until the Palestine Liberation Organization is rebuilt and activated, establishing a national consensus government that will supervise the reconstruction of the Gaza Strip, working to unify the institutions of the Palestinian Authority in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, conducting legislative and presidential elections, and new National Council elections from inside and outside the homeland, then developing a single national

strategy to confront occupation, settlement, Judaization and displacement, protect rights and sanctities and continuing the resistance and struggle until liberation, return and independence. □



Logos of PFLP (left) and Hamas



CCR lawsuit

A blow to the war criminals

Striking another blow at the war criminals in Washington and Tel Aviv, on Jan. 26, Palestinians, both in the U.S. and Gaza, gave testimony in a civil case brought by the Center for Constitutional Rights asking a U.S. federal court in Oakland, California, to “immediately order the United States to cease military support for Israel’s unfolding genocide of Palestinians in Gaza and opposed the government’s efforts to have the case dismissed.” (CCR release, Jan. 26)

The hundreds of thousands of activists who have been demonstrating for an end to the Israeli assault on Gaza and/or in solidarity with the liberation of Palestine now have a boost from a legal case right in the belly of the imperialist beast.

Of course, the people who have been demonstrating must continue their demonstrations as they have been since the week following October 7. Only by expanding the struggle can these heroic activists in the U.S. hope to assist the Palestinian people. Demonstrations, sit-ins, blocking traffic, strikes, boycotts, disruptions, and shut-downs are all legitimate tools of struggle for the masses.

It would be an error to believe that a legal case alone could win such a decisive battle against Israeli genocide. It would also be an omission for those engaged in such a broad and deep anti-imperialist conflict to refuse any tool they might be able to use.

The South African case brought before the International Court of Justice — even if short of a complete victory — has encouraged millions of people worldwide to take action to stop Israel’s genocide. It’s possible to argue that the Yemeni peoples’ disruption of shipping to Israel is not only justified by that legal case, but also required.

Now the CCR has brought its case in federal court charging U.S. officials, specifically President Joe Biden, Secretary of State Antony Blinken and Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin, with “failing in their legal responsibility to prevent — and

their complicity in — Israel’s genocide of Palestinians in Gaza.”

The charges and the Jan. 26 testimony presented to the court showed that Israel is committing genocide and that the U.S. government is complicit. The U.S. defense lawyers did not even challenge the facts that the CCR lawyers presented.

We would argue that the lawsuit justifies demonstrations and sit-ins and whatever similar actions organizations in the U.S. take to obstruct these crimes it named. In addition, those universities that repress organizations that call for ending genocide could also be considered complicit in those crimes.

If you are among those fighting to stop genocide in Gaza, you are doing right by the vast majority of humanity. That’s the message of the South African case before the ICJ and the CCR case in U.S. federal court. To aid the liberation of Palestine, we have to keep fighting in the streets, on the campuses and in the workplaces. By bringing the lawsuit, the CCR has opened another door to expanding that struggle.

For more details on the CCR case, see ccrjustice.org



Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, Jan. 5, 2024.

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PFLP condemns U.S./Britain sanctions on Yemen

The following statement was posted by The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine Central Media Department on Resistance News Network on Jan. 26, 2024:

These sanctions are a badge of honor for the nation and will not deter the Yemeni people from fulfilling their duty in supporting the Palestinian people. The Front condemns the imposition of sanctions by the United States and Britain on

senior officials in Yemen "under the pretext of their role in supporting or directing attacks on commercial ships in the Red Sea."

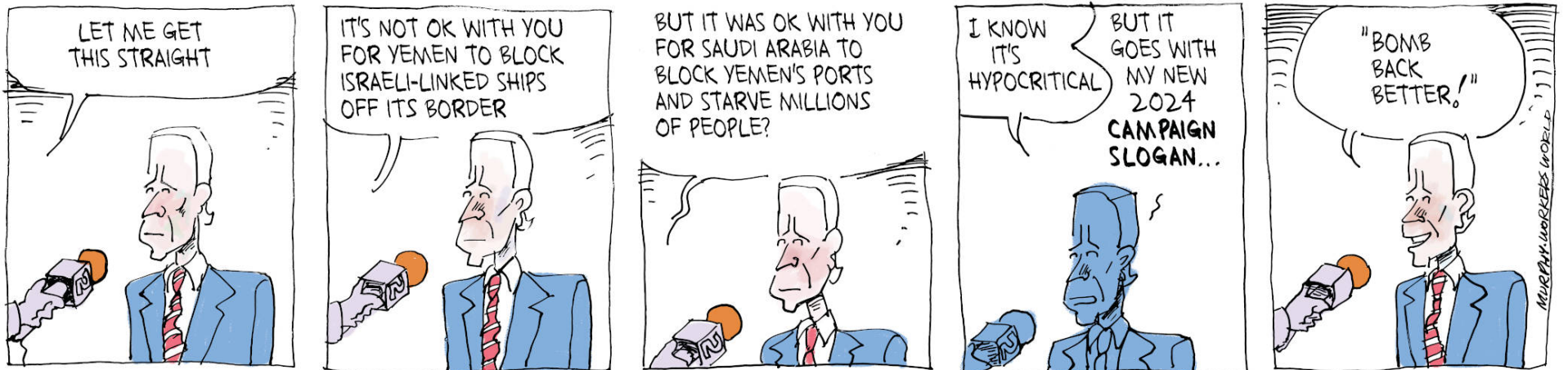
The Front considers these sanctions as a badge of honor for them, the Yemeni people, and the entire Arab nation, affirming that such sanctions are worthless and ineffective and will not be able to stop the great Yemeni people and their armed forces from adopting bold and courageous positions in support of the Palestinian

people and pressuring to stop the ongoing genocide war on the Gaza Strip.

The Front clarified that the leaders of the Zionist entity, the U.S. and Britain, who are partners in the genocide war against our people in the [Gaza] Strip, are the ones who should be pursued as war criminals and have sanctions imposed on them, especially since the Yemeni Armed Forces's stance was clear in targeting Zionist ships or those heading to the Zionist entity as a means of pressure

to stop the aggression, and they did not attack any ships or endanger navigation in the Red Sea.

The Front concluded its statement affirming that Yemen will remain a source of pride and appreciation for our Palestinian people, the Arab nation and all the free people in the world. These sanctions will not deter it from performing its national duty in standing alongside the grieving and oppressed Palestinian people. □



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after closing all the side streets used by residents for displacement."

Attacks on U.N. relief agency

In a blatant rebuttal to the ICJ decision, at least 10 governments — the United States, Canada, Australia, Germany, Italy, Britain, Finland, Netherlands, France and Scotland — are withdrawing millions of dollars from the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA). Less than a day after the ICJ decision, Israel alleged — for the first time and with no proof — that at least 12 of the 30,000 UNRWA workers are tied to the historic military operation carried out by Hamas on October 7.

The UNRWA, founded in 1950, was established to provide hundreds of thousands of Palestinian refugees in Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Syria and Jordan

with health care, education, social services and jobs. Since October 7, Israelis have killed over 150 UNRWA workers.

Hamas denounced this claim stating, "We call on the United Nations and international institutions not to yield to the threats and blackmails of this rogue entity, which seeks to cut off all lifelines for our people. We stress the importance of the role of these agencies in providing relief to our people and documenting the crimes of occupation, which exceed the most horrific crimes known to humanity in our modern era." (Resistance News Network, Jan. 27)

The Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine Foreign Affairs Department issued a public statement on Jan. 27 on the defunding of UNRWA which reads in part: "We call on the parties of the world, especially in the countries concerned that support the Israeli aggression, to raise their voices in

rejection of these measures that directly respond to the positions adopted by the Israeli government, which has been inciting for years against the UNRWA and its services, and we affirm that new attempts to target UNRWA on the financial level will be doomed to failure, because the reasons relied upon are false and misleading and lack accuracy and objectivity in all their details."

Getting ready for the next battles

The global movement must not allow any legal rulings to lull them into a false sense of security that Israel will feel any pressure to adhere to any of the measures demanded of it. On the contrary, the desperate Nazi-like regime that has lost hundreds of military troops and faces growing internal dissension on their homefront since October 7, due to the resistance, has now vowed to instigate a war against Hezbollah in Lebanon.

In light of the deaths of three U.S. soldiers in Jordan on the Syrian border, it now appears that the U.S. is moving closer to opening military strikes on Iran. The Iraqi resistance officially took responsibility for this attack.

The U.S. and Britain have also attacked Yemen for preventing ships bound to Israel from navigating in the Red Sea. Whether these ominous developments will lead to a more regional war, or even a world war, remains to be seen.

Just as the Palestinian resistance on all fronts will stay strong and united, so must the masses in the Global South and Global North stay strong by continuing to mobilize working-class, anti-imperialist solidarity with the resilient and valiant Palestinian people until they will one day inevitably win back their rightful land with Al-Quds as their capital.

From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free! □

Desmontando la hipocresía occidental sobre Xinjiang y Gaza

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movimiento popular por la autodeterminación. No obstante, quien aún tenga dudas puede comparar las respuestas contrastadas de los gobiernos israelí y chino a sus respectivas situaciones.

La respuesta antipopular de Israel

En sus anunciados esfuerzos por destruir a Hamás, Israel no ha hecho ningún intento por diferenciar entre combatientes y civiles. Cada adulto, cada niño de Gaza, es un objetivo de las llamadas masacres "antiterroristas" de Israel. El desprecio de Israel por toda vida palestina es bien conocido en todo el mundo y profundamente comprendido por los palestinos.

El enfoque de China para eliminar los ataques de las fuerzas separatistas que dañan a los civiles (en su mayoría uigures) ha sido diferente. Es cierto que, durante un tiempo, fue necesaria una mayor presencia policial para evitar ataques públicos impredecibles. Sin embargo, el gobierno sabe que las personas que tienen acceso a una buena educación, oportunidades de trabajo y ven cubiertas sus necesidades básicas son menos propensas a cometer delitos y menos susceptibles de ser reclutadas por organizaciones extremistas separatistas.

Por ello, el gobierno chino tomó medidas para crear puestos de trabajo, centros de formación profesional y desarrollar la región mediante proyectos de infraestruc-

turas y ayudas a las pequeñas empresas. El alivio de la pobreza es el método número uno para resolver la violencia en Xinjiang, y ha funcionado. En las dos últimas décadas, la violencia política y religiosa en Xinjiang prácticamente ha desaparecido, y Xinjiang va camino de equipararse económicamente al resto del país.

Trazar una línea para el movimiento antiimperialista

Es fundamental que los organizadores contra el imperialismo y los partidarios de los movimientos anti coloniales de todo el mundo tengan una evaluación clara y sobria de los acontecimientos en cada país y de las fuerzas que los impulsan. Tenemos la responsabilidad de comprometernos con estas luchas de un modo más profundo y no limitarnos a tomar los relatos al pie de la letra.

Las fuerzas que acusan a China de genocidio contra el pueblo uigur son las mismas que arman y financian el genocidio real de Israel contra el pueblo palestino, y que se benefician de ello. No podemos separar este hecho de la realidad, por mucho que los medios de comunicación corporativos y los grupos de "derechos humanos" financiados por la CIA/NED traten de confundir las situaciones.

El imperio estadounidense, que en su desarrollo masacró y eliminó por la fuerza a pueblos indígenas y esclavizó a africanos, y que actualmente arma el genocidio israelí de Palestina, no tiene absolutamente ninguna credibilidad para acusar a China de abusos contra los

derechos humanos de los uigures. Washington nunca ha estado en el lado correcto de la historia en una lucha anticolonial.

Debemos seguir diciendo: ¡Palestina libre del río al mar! ¡Manos fuera de China!

(Para el artículo del autor del 9 de junio de 2023 sobre el viaje a Xinjiang, véase: workers.org/2023/06/71505)



La Hui Mezquita situada en Ürümqi, Xinjiang, Región Autónoma Uygur.

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Desmontando la hipocresía occidental sobre Xinjiang y Gaza

Por Arjae Red

Arjae Red, activista sindical y dirigente del Partido Mundo Obrero, junto con Sara Flounders, redactora colaboradora de Mundo Obrero, viajó en mayo de 2023 a la Región Autónoma Uigur de Xinjiang (XUAR), en el extremo noroeste de China, como parte de una delegación del WWP, organizada por la Red de Solidaridad con China de los Estados Unidos.

El movimiento de apoyo a la liberación nacional palestina en Estados Unidos ha atraído a un número realmente masivo de personas a la acción. El 13 de enero, por ejemplo, se informó de que 400.000 personas marcharon hacia la Casa Blanca, lo que supuso la mayor manifestación a favor de Palestina en la historia de Estados Unidos.

Para contrarrestar esta creciente efusión de apoyo a Palestina en el centro del imperialismo mundial, los propagandistas occidentales intentan desviar la indignación popular hacia China Popular. Están tratando de revivir la desacreditada narrativa del “genocidio uigur”, haciendo comparaciones falsas entre el trato del régimen de colonos israelíes a los palestinos y el trato del pueblo uigur por el gobierno chino y el Partido Comunista. Un análisis más detallado de cada situación revela enormes diferencias.

¿A quién debemos creer?

La intensa propaganda acusando de “genocidio uigur”, a partir de 2016, saturó los medios corporativos estadounidenses, citando declaraciones de ONG financiadas por Estados Unidos y de políticos estadounidenses. El objetivo de estas declaraciones era imponer duras sanciones contra China.

Sin embargo, tras un viaje de investigación a la región, una delegación de 2019 del Consejo de Ministros de Asuntos Exteriores -un órgano decisorio clave de la Organización de Cooperación Islámica (OCI)- respaldó y elogió el trato de China a sus ciudadanos musulmanes (hongkongfp.com, 3 de marzo de 2019). Con 57 Estados miembros, la OCI es uno de los mayores organismos intergubernamentales del mundo.

Una semana después de nuestro viaje a Xinjiang el año pasado, una gran delegación de la Liga de Estados Árabes, incluidos altos representantes oficiales de más de 16 países árabes/musulmanes, visitó Xinjiang. En un comunicado de prensa de junio de 2023, la delegación elogió “la armonía social, el desarrollo económico, la gente de todos los grupos étnicos viviendo en armonía en Xinjiang y el progreso acelerado”. Pidieron cautela ante “las fuerzas internacionales que difaman e incluso demonizan Xinjiang”.

Ningún gobierno de los países de mayoría musulmana apoya la acusación estadounidense de “genocidio” de la minoría musulmana de Xinjiang. Mientras tanto, estos gobiernos critican públicamente el genocidio israelí en Gaza, apoyado por Estados Unidos.

Estado obrero multinacional frente a la colonia de colonos sionistas

Un elemento central de la comparación es un análisis de clase de la base social de los Estados de Israel y de la República Popular China. Al igual que Estados Unidos, Israel se fundó como una colonia de colonos, construida sobre la matanza y el traslado forzoso de los pueblos indígenas, el robo de sus tierras y el asentamiento de una población mayoritariamente europea.

Los estrategas estadounidenses consideraban el Estado israelí en la tierra de Palestina principalmente como un punto de apoyo estratégico para la dominación militar y económica estadounidense de Asia Occidental y, por tanto, como un importante contribuyente a los beneficios de la clase dominante imperialista mundial. Veían a los palestinos como un obstáculo en el camino de su acumulación de estos superbeneicios. Para lograr

esta conquista, el Estado israelí ha amenazado con apropiarse o borrar todo vestigio de la cultura palestina, incluida la historia y la alimentación de Palestina.

Israel como Estado es completamente explotador, extractivo y opresivo hasta la médula. El Estado y la población de colonos, si suscribe la ideología sionista, sirven a los fines de la clase dominante imperialista mundial.

La República Popular China, por otra parte, se fundó como un Estado obrero multinacional, forjado mediante el derrocamiento de las clases dominantes feudales y capitalistas y expulsando a las fuerzas parasitarias, como

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el imperialismo japonés y británico. La Revolución China estableció un Estado basado en el gobierno político de una alianza entre los obreros, los campesinos y otras clases progresistas, dirigido por el Partido Comunista.

La República Popular China inscribió en su marco político la autonomía regional para nacionalidades anteriormente oprimidas, como los uigures de Xinjiang. Ciudades históricas uigures, como Ürümqi, que había sido rebautizada “Dihua” (que significa “civilizar”) tras una invasión de la dinastía Qing en 1755, recuperaron sus nombres uigures originales.

La cultura uigur está muy extendida y se celebra en la China actual, lo que incluye la enseñanza de la lengua uigur, así como de las lenguas de otras poblaciones étnicas de la región, en las escuelas públicas. Antes de la Revolución China, estas lenguas estaban suprimidas.

La República Popular es totalmente multinacional, basada en el gobierno político de la clase obrera y guiada por el Partido Comunista. Sus objetivos públicos consisten en desarrollar una economía socialista y mantener la armonía social entre las etnias.

Israel destruye, China construye

Abundan los vídeos de la destrucción sin paliativos de Gaza por parte de las fuerzas de ocupación israelíes. Las FOI han bombardeado y arrasado bloques enteros de la ciudad hasta convertirlos en tierra y escombros, arrasando viviendas, hospitales y escuelas.

Durante décadas, Israel ha mantenido a Gaza bajo un brutal bloqueo y ha aplastado a las empresas palestinas. Ahora los ataques han dejado a la población sin alimentos, agua, medicinas ni electricidad.

En lugar de destrucción y extracción en Xinjiang, las políticas de Pekín promueven el desarrollo. Grandes proyectos de infraestructuras han construido viviendas, escuelas, hospitales y transporte público de alta velocidad. Estos proyectos superan todo lo que las empresas o el gobierno de Estados Unidos han hecho en su territorio.

Los uigures y otras minorías étnicas disfrutaban de subvenciones del gobierno y otros programas de acción afirmativa en educación y oportunidades laborales, que les permiten establecer sus propias empresas prósperas y participar plenamente en la vibrante economía china. Todo esto ha reducido gradualmente la brecha de riqueza y desarrollo entre la región occidental de Xinjiang y la



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Estatua del Presidente Mao Zedong en Kashgar, Región Autónoma Uigur de Xinjiang.

región costera oriental de China, donde, históricamente, se concentraba toda la industria pesada.

Xinjiang no experimenta ningún bloqueo económico, salvo el que imponen las políticas estadounidenses. El gobierno chino garantiza la satisfacción de las necesidades básicas de la población. Durante el brote de COVID-19, por ejemplo, organizaciones del Partido Comunista entregaron alimentos y otros suministros a las comunidades uigures.

BDS contra Israel frente a las sanciones de Estados Unidos a Xinjiang

Un movimiento mundial que reclama boicots, desinversiones y sanciones contra las empresas israelíes cómplices del genocidio de palestinos surgió como forma de presionar a Israel para que se detenga. El movimiento BDS hace un llamamiento a los progresistas de todo el mundo para que dejen de apoyar económicamente el proyecto colonial sionista.

Washington se ha apropiado de parte de la retórica progresista utilizada por la campaña BDS y la ha convertido en un arma contra China. Los funcionarios estadounidenses afirman que sus sanciones contra Xinjiang castigan a China por el supuesto genocidio del pueblo uigur.

Sin embargo, las sanciones estadounidenses se basan en la falsa suposición de que todos los productos exportados desde Xinjiang pueden estar fabricados con mano de obra esclava. Esto significa que las empresas de Xinjiang tienen que pasar por el aro para demostrar que no utilizan mano de obra esclava. Sólo entonces pueden eludir las sanciones y acceder al mercado internacional. Las sanciones estadounidenses perjudican así a la economía local de Xinjiang, de la que una gran parte son empresas y granjas propiedad de uigures, muchas de ellas pequeñas empresas familiares.

El BDS se dirige a las empresas de la nación opresora. Las sanciones estadounidenses perjudican al propio pueblo uigur, con una doble intención:

1. Interrumpir el desarrollo de la Iniciativa del Cinturón y la Ruta de China. La BRI integraría la economía de Xinjiang como región clave en el mercado nacional e internacional;
2. Causar dificultades económicas a la población local, lo que exacerbaría aún más la desigualdad y las divisiones étnicas y culturales, y crearía inestabilidad política y falta de confianza en el gobierno chino para desarrollar eficazmente la región.

Autodeterminación palestina frente al separatismo uigur promovido por Estados Unidos

El movimiento palestino por la autodeterminación es un movimiento de masas con amplio apoyo de la población de la Palestina histórica y de la diáspora, originado orgánicamente como respuesta a la ocupación colonial israelí.

El movimiento separatista uigur, por el contrario, está impulsado principalmente por grupos de reflexión y ONG antichinas con sede en Estados Unidos, normalmente con millones de dólares de financiación estadounidense y el pleno apoyo del Departamento de Estado y los medios de comunicación corporativos.

No hay pruebas de que las fuerzas separatistas uigures, representadas sobre todo en la diáspora y muchas de ellas con sede en Washington D.C., representen las opiniones de los millones de uigures que viven en Xinjiang. Sólo una pequeña minoría de uigures de Xinjiang ha luchado por el separatismo. Y esto se ha manifestado a menudo como una secta religiosa reaccionaria que utiliza tácticas como atentados con bombas en lugares públicos concurridos y ataques con machetes en paradas de autobús, mercados y aeropuertos.

Las fuerzas antiimperialistas pueden solidarizarse con la lucha palestina por la soberanía y, al mismo tiempo, permanecer escépticas ante los intentos estadounidenses de desestabilizar China con algo que se disfraza de

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