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JOINT POLITICAL STATEMENT ISSUED BY PEOPLE'S FRONT FOR THE  
LIBERATION OF OMAN AND THE ARABIAN GULF AND THE ARAB  
WORKERS PARTY IN OMAN

In the second half of November, 1972, official talks were held between a delegation from the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf representing the Central Command and a delegation from the Arab Workers Party representing the Central Committee to crown the relations of comradeship and former combative relations. The importance of this meeting emanates from the joint understanding of the nature of the struggle going on in the arena of Oman and the Arabian Gulf between the revolution and its progressive forces on one hand and the enemies of the people and revolution on the other. This meeting reflects the ambitions of the comrades in the front and party to unite the national and progressive forces and to fulfill the desire of the masses of our people to work for liberating and uniting the homeland and completing the tasks of the national democratic revolution which will give an end to all crimes committed against the masses of our people.

This meeting is the proper exist for establishing the people's combative front and the fighting tool in the hands of the people to defeat the imperialist and reactionary enemies and the ruling feudalist tribal class of Sultans and Amirs.

Masses of our militant people,

The arena of Oman and the Arabian Gulf witnesses a fierce imperialist and reactionary unity which reached its peak during the present stage, using all huge potentialities in order to exterminate the people and destroy our homeland and keep it under the direct influence of world Anglo-American imperialism and its local reactionary allies so that it can loot its wealths.

This unity, constitutes beside influence by British colonialism, penetration of extensive American influence and establishment of pacts between local, Arab and Iranian reactions in order to use them as front posts for guarding the interests of imperialism topped by oil, and to hit the liberation revolution in Oman and the Arabian Gulf and in particular in the southern region of Oman.

This pact is embodied in the presence of numerous bases witnessed by us today in Sallalah, Masirah, Beit al-Falag and Bahrain and the establishment of new bases in the islands of Abu Mousa and Ru'ous al-Jibal.

The roles entrusted to every party of the parties in this pact took the following form:

1) Iran is to play the main role in having complete control on the waters of the Arabian Gulf and its straits through occupation of the three Omani islands (Minor and Major Tomb and Abu Mousa islands) and to look forward for controlling the Gulf of Oman starting with the occupation of "al-Ghanam" island in order to control Ra'ous al-Jibal. The Iranian reaction and the puppet Shah-in-Shah regime extended and still extends military and economic backing to the puppet authority in Muscat as it takes part effectively in hitting the revolution of our people and destroying them.

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2) Arab reaction topped by Saudi Arabia and Jordan as they also play a filthy role in the reactionary and imperialist pact with the backing of the puppet reactionary regimes in the Sultanate and Federation, and extend different forms of backing including repressive tools, military expertise and economic assistance which is regarded as an effective contribution in the war going on between the people and their enemies. In this way Arab reaction meets with Iranian reaction to form an aggressive force under the planning and direction of their Anglo-American imperialist masters.

Masses of our people,

Local reaction represented in the Sultans and Amirs is the natural pact for imperialism, and Arab and Iranian reaction and a bridge for controlling our country and humiliating and exploiting our masses, as this pact constitutes to local reactions protection for their survival and continuation in authority. It becomes thoroughly clear that the dangerousness of the present situation exists in this Anglo-American imperialist and local, Arab and Iranian reactionary unity due to the aggressive policies carried out by them all to defeat and subjugate our people and to hit their armed revolution in the Southern Region of Oman.

This pact is not confined to hitting the liberation revolution in Oman, but also aims with the same strength to crush the Yemeni revolution and topple down the progressive regime in the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen which resembles a symbol for revolutionary steadfastness in the Arabian Peninsula and a firm backbone for the revolution in Oman and the Arabian Gulf.

The decisive revolutionary reply to the filthy conspiracies weaved by imperialism and its stooges is the unity of our own forces and the lining of the ranks of the people in one combative front and to escalate the revolutionary struggles by different forms topped by the armed struggle and the long-term people's war against the enemies of the people and the revolution.

The revolutionary and organised violence is the effective weapon to render to failure all plans of reaction and imperialism.

The joint understanding of the People's Front and the Arab Workers Party of the nature of the national democratic revolution and its basic enemies constituted a base for this this meeting which considered a real exist for the revolutionary and combative cohesion.

Masses of our Militant People,

The daily patriotic battles and the revolutionary war waged by the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia and the wonderful victories in the southern region of Oman, under the leadership of the People's Front is a pride for our people in Oman and the entire of the Arabian Peninsula.

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The steadfastness of the masses of our people in the Region of Dhofar in the face of the crimes committed by the imperialist and reactionary enemy is a lively proof of the firmness of this people and their determination to liberate the homeland and unite it and to liquidate the colonialist presence. A people like this introducing such sacrifices cannot be defeated and final victory will be the ally of such people certainly.

The development of bilateral relations between the People's Front and the Workers Party, and the continuation of meetings and exchange of viewpoints created an atmosphere of comradeship and constituted a revolutionary bounce forward on the road of creating the people's combative front.

The identity of viewpoints on the comprehensiveness of the revolution cannot stand an obstacle against reaching a joint formula and pushing relations to a better standard, emanating from the necessity of coming out with an organisational formula interpreting the new relations for confronting the enemies of the people and revolution. Agreement was reached as follows:=-

- 1) Formation of joint Regional Commands,
- 2) Struggle is to take place within the frame of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf.
- 3) Formation of a joint Central Committee.

These results constitute a typical jump in the march of the bilateral relations and is a real exist for the establishment of better relations between the Workers Party and the People's Front.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf and the Arab Workers Party in Oman call upon the nationalist and progressive forces in Oman, the Arabian Gulf and the Arabian Peninsula for more revolutionary cohesion against the enemies of the homeland, people and revolution and to work seriously for establishing a united national front as a practical reply to the imperialist reactionary pact.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf and the Arab Workers Party praise the revolutionary and patriotic stand of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen and the National Front Political Organisation towards the revolution in Oman and the Arabian Gulf and its complete support in all fields.

The steadfastness of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen in the face of world imperialism and Arab and Saudi reaction, constitutes a revolutionary victory for the revolutionary forces not only in the Arabian Peninsula but also in the Arab homeland as a whole.

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The uprisings by the poor peasants, workers and fishermen, is the proper road for getting rid of feudalism and for restoring the lands back to their real owners in order to knock down all old forms of exploitation.

The establishment of a united democratic Yemen is a great victory for the Yemeni people in particular and the Arab people in general. It also affirms their stand by the side of the Palestine resistance in its steadfastness in the face of liquidatory and annihilation attempts and submissive solutions, and considers that the establishment of the united national front and the adoption of a long-term popular war are the two main weapons for realising victory over the enemies - imperialism, Zionism and Arab reaction.

The People's Front and the Workers Party support the establishment of an Arab progressive front and consider it as the practical tool for replying to the total plans of imperialism and Zionism and Arab reaction.

They also ask the Arab national regimes to understand the conflict going on in Oman and the Arabian Gulf and the revolutionary struggle waged by the masses of our people against the imperialists, Arab and foreign reaction. They appeal to these regimes to stand firmly by the side of the armed revolution in the South of Oman and to support it.

The revolutionary struggles waged by the Iranian peoples under the leadership of their revolutionary regimes against the Shah-in-Shah reactionary regime are a propulsion for the struggles of our people in Oman and the Arabian Gulf. We firmly support these revolutionary struggles by the Iranian peoples and condemn with the same strength the criminal methods and atrocities committed by the puppet Shah-in-Shah regime.

The People's Front and the Workers Party support the struggle of the Eritrean people against the Ethiopian colonialism and call upon the Eritrean nationalist forces to reinforce their combative unity in order to stand against all conspiracies and plans by imperialism and Ethiopian reaction.

They also warmly support the struggle of the patriotic Vietnamese people against world imperialism headed by America and its stooges and firmly stand by the side of the Vietnamese revolution under the leadership of the Vietnamese National Liberation Front and the Provisional Revolutionary Government and condemn the barbaric raids on Democratic Vietnam. They also strongly stand by the side of the struggles of the peoples of Indo-China.

The People's Front and the Workers Party support the struggles of the oppressed peoples and their liberation movements in Asia, Africa and Latin America and the struggles of the progressive forces in the capitalist countries.

The People's Front and the Workers Party regard the Socialist countries as the real ally of the revolution of our people against imperialism and reaction and praise their backing to the international liberation movements.

Down with all puppet colonialist entities,  
Death and Destruction for imperialist and reactionary pacts,  
Let all Omani islands remain Omani for ever,  
Let our national and combative unity be reinforced,  
Long live the revolution of 9th June Victorious,  
Certain victory for the struggles of the Oppressed peoples.

PEOPLES FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION  
OF OMAN AND THE ARABIAN GULF.

ARAB WORKERS PARTY  
IN OMAN

26th November, 1972.

MILITARY REPORT FROM MILITARY COMMUNIQUE NOS. 575/597/72  
FOR THE PERIOD LYING BETWEEN 20th to 27th Nov. 1972

It is confirmed now that the colonialist forces are desperately trying to recover their military defeats. This appeared in their military tactical attempt to move from one centre to another. It is to be noticed that the enemy forces were hit by disappointment and hysteria amidst members of the enemy forces after it became impossible for them to achieve any victory over our forces.

This becomes clear in the intensification of hot fighting in "Dhibdout", "Beit Fayeh" and "Kubkab", east of the Red Line. "Gubgat", north of the Eastern Region and Wadi Jenin, in the north-east of Sallalah which is only nine miles away from Sallalah.

The enemy forces try to control lively centres in these areas to prevent by all surprising methods the supremacy of our forces over the enemy forces. But our forces fought and still fight with all potentialities and stand face to face with the forces of British colonialism in "Dhibdout" and the highlands of "Kubkab" and Wadi Jenin.

The forces of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia waged and still wage fierce and offensive fighting on the aforesaid enemy centres, with rare patriotism and quick movement by our forces and with the steadfastness and heroism of our people. This promotes the will of our forces and push them towards realising more victories.

The forces of imperialism and reaction are strong and fierce but our forces see that by mainly depending upon the methods of strategic war and in particular the offensive and defensive war and marching forward with the course of the long-term popular war on the consideration that our forces are preparing themselves for a long-term conflict with the forces of imperialism and reaction to march forward from victory to victory for liberating and uniting the homeland. Imperialism and reaction are strong but our masses are stronger. The tactics of imperialism and reaction are naughty but the awareness and firmness of our masses are the rock against which the forces of the colonialists and stooges will be smashed.

Confrontation of the naughty enemy forces by the fighters of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia became clear through the repetition by our forces of offensive operations against the enemy centres particular in the north of Sarfeet where the fighting took a fierce and intensified form beginning with artillery shelling and clashes with light, medium and heavy machine-guns and ending with individual sniping operations against enemy members in all enemy positions whether in the north of Sarfeet where the enemy lives a state of great panic, anxiety and psychological confusion or anywhere else. Such a wonderful state even stretched to our forces in the east of the Red Line and in the north of the Eastern Region where the naughty forces are dug in their trenches and defensive positions.

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But even this wonderful state by our forces extended to the use of sniping operations as one of the methods of revolutionary war which reinforces the defensive war and which made the enemy sink in the depth of the revolutionary war and as usual seek the help of his fighter air forces to continue the retaliatory operations against the steadfast masses of the people and our patriotic forces in a bid to break the siege around his forces.

These wonderful operations by our forces resulted in great losses in life and military equipment caused to the enemy and great damages, including the setting of fire to the enemy tents in Dhibdout, Kubkab and Gubgat in addition to the destruction of the enemy defensive positions.

Enemy losses were summarised as follows:-

1) ENEMY LOSSES

- 1) Enemy helicopter hit in the north of Sarfeet,
- 2) Sixty seven enemy soldiers between killed and wounded,
- 3) Destruction of three medium machine-guns with their crew
- 4) Destruction of 25 enemy defensive positions
- 5) There were seven operations in which enemy losses were not assessed.

2) OUR LOSSES:

Slight injury of one of the comrades.

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NATIONAL AND PROGRESSIVE FORCES IN THE SOUTH  
OF THE ARABIAN PENINSULA ISSUE POLITICAL STATEMENT

The National and Progressive forces in the Arabian Peninsula affirmed that the armed revolutions in Palestine and Dhofar are two revolutions expressing the wish of the Arab nation to fight for getting rid completely of imperialist, Zionist and reactionary influence in the Arab Homeland. This came in the political statement issued by the Political Organisation of the National Front and the Bahrainian National Liberation Front, the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf, the Movement of Progressive Democrats in Kuwait, the Popular Democratic Party in the Arabian Peninsula and the League of Arabian Peninsula Citizens abroad and Democratic Yemen's youth.

These forces said that they consider the Palestine resistance as the legal representative of the Palestinian people and work to establish closer relations with it and endeavour to back it morally and materially by all means. The national and progressive forces in the Arabian Peninsula affirmed that the struggle of our people in the Arabian Peninsula is linked with the struggle of the people of Palestine and is part of the struggle of the Arab nation for its freedom from imperialism, Zionism and local reaction in order to build a united Arab progressive socialist community. These forces condemned the imperialist and reactionary plans and the roles carried out by Israel, Iran, Saudi reaction and other reactionary regimes which move in accordance with the interests of colonialism in the area. These forces also condemned the conspiracies which are being woven by Saudi reaction against Democratic Yemen and the revolution of 9th June in the Arabian Gulf.



LET US MARCH ON THE PATH OF VICTORY - THE PATH OF THE  
ARMED STRUGGLE AND THE PATH OF THE UNITED  
NATIONAL FRONT

With the issue of the joint statement by the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf and the Arab Workers Party in Oman the relations between the national forces shifted to a new stage on the road of forming the United National people's front which constitutes the rock against which all conspiracies and plans by imperialism and reaction will be smashed. The statement proved the deep wish of the national forces in the area of Oman and the Gulf to realise national cohesion for laying down the general national objectives in the forefront of work and places secondary contradictions in their secondary place. The statement explained the conspiracies and plans which are being woven against the revolution and affirmed that the reply to these conspiracies and plans can take place through uniting our ranks and escalating our different struggles topped by the armed struggle and the long-term popular war.

The revolution worked during the past two years seriously to realise this central task in the stage of national democratic liberation and introduced after the Rakhout conference a plain national democratic working plan representing the maximum agreement that can be reached by the national forces. Direct contacts were made with other national forces which revealed that the desire of the national forces is plain and serious for working to unite the tools of the revolution during the state of the national democratic liberation. And so came Ahlaish conference during which the two fronts = the People's and National Fronts - united. So was the meeting of November between the People's Front and the Workers Party. Ahlaish conference and the November meeting affirmed the necessity of uniting all other national forces and the necessity of their cohesion and of working seriously to establish a united national front.

Our revolution is now standing on an important point on the road of revolution as since the Ahlaish conference the revolution opened different political and union struggles throughout the Regions while preserving the continuation of the armed struggle and its constant efforts to develop it and expand it. The revolution remarkably affirmed its ability to assert its struggles and chose the suitable struggle in the suitable area emanating from its evaluation of its own condition and the condition of the enemies and from the degree of awareness of the masses in the regions themselves. In its total struggles the revolution is led by its belief and constant work to develop the whole struggles for launching a long-term popular war. The care and determination of our revolution centred on placing what it says and believes in for practical implementation which is the real scale for our work.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf looks forward for the spread and development of the struggles in other regions and knows that by launching and pushing forward the struggles we can realise great successes on our long path, the path of victory, the path of long-term popular war. It is not mere coincidence that the reactionary authorities in Bahrain

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to arrest one of the candidates for what it called the first democratic experiment and hard repression of mass movement existing in Bahrain.

It is not mere coincidence that the Al-Busaid authorities strongly repress a simple mass demand at Rastaq for replacing an awkward doctor and arrest several persons at Soor for nothing but because they demanded that transport is to be made available for school students. It is not mere coincidence also that Abu Dhabi should last weekend arrest 52 persons in Abu Dhabi alone because they fear that they carry out any acts spoiling the celebrations of the Federation of Amirates.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf will march forward non-stop on the road of the armed struggle and the road of the united front fully confident of the potentialities and abilities of the masses in the arena of Oman and the Arabian Gulf mainly depending on these masses and their potentialities. The revolution will work to put the issue and explain it clearly and continuously in front of the real friends and allies of the revolution and will work to explain the cause of the revolution and the conspiracies which are being woven against it to the brothers in the Arab League and hold them responsible for our people. Our people started to realise more quicker than the imperialists imagined and to understand all issues and are today standing holding the arms and determined to march on the path of the revolution until its tasks are realised in full.

MUSCAT: IRANIAN CONTRIBUTION AGAINST DHOFAR REVOLUTIONARIES

Al-Asbeo al-Arabi magazine published an article under the above title about "Iran's decision to expand its contribution in the military acts against the People's Front." Recently an Iranian military delegation arrived in Muscat and met with Major General Tim Crazy who succeeded General John Graham as commander of the army of the Sultan of Muscat and Oman. The talk dealt with the urgent needs of the Sultan's army in the light of the increase in the number of its members and its tasks and equipment. Iran had helped in financing the movement for recruiting new numbers of mercenary fighters from Balokhstan in order to merge them in the army of Muscat and Oman and hastened to despatching three military helicopters of the adjustable type with their crews to take part in military operations against the revolutionaries of Dhofar. It also paid the expenses of these contributions and sent considerable amounts of equipment and ammunition.

In fact the costs of the war in Dhofar started to create a burden starting with a campaign for the imports of the government of Muscat and Oman as while its imports reached fifty million sterling and its national production amounted to eighty million sterling in the last year, its military costs amounted to about thirty million sterling e.g. more than half the general imports and more than a third of the general national income and as a result of the reinforcement and strengthening of the army of Muscat and Oman which holds (10,000) soldiers in addition to 250 British officers who receive high salaries and 100 Pakistani officers and a number of former Arab officers in addition to an important number of mercenary soldiers with important compensations. Recently the Government of Muscat and Oman carried out a number of fruitless contacts with a number of neighbouring countries to obtain military assistance on the grounds that it is waging the war in Dhofar in favour of these countries.

KUWAIT:

MESSAGES OF PROTEST FROM STUDENTS FEDERATIONS  
IN KUWAIT ON ANNIVERSARY OF OCCUPATION OF ISLANDS

Students Federations in the University of Kuwait sent several messages to the Arab countries and the Arab League and United Nations on the question of the occupation of the Arab islands in the Arabian Gulf by Iran which took place on 30th November, 1971. These are some of the messages:-

A message to the Presidential Council in the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen on the first anniversary of the occupation of the three Arab islands. We hail and admire your honourable role in backing the armed struggle in Oman and the Arabian Gulf and your confrontation of colonialist plans aiming at defacing the Arabism of the Gulf.

Messages were also sent to the Arabian Gulf Amirates saying: "We denounce your attitude towards the Iranian reactionary authority and its occupation of the three Arab islands. Let it be known to you that this is an historical indictment recorded by our Arab people."

KUWAIT:

SIT-DOWN AT KUWAIT UNIVERSITY ON  
ANNIVERSARY OF OCCUPATION OF THREE ARAB ISLANDS

Students at Kuwait University staged a sit-down strike on Wednesday 29th November, 1972 in the galleries of the university in resentment against occupation by Iran of the three Arab islands in the Arabian Gulf which coincided with the elapse of one complete year. The sit-in covered all faculties and sections of the university paralysing studies in the university. A minute's silence was observed in mourning over the martyrs who were killed by the imperialist traitorous bullets. The Arab Students organisations in the University of Kuwait issued a statement on this occasion in which they strongly condemned the continuation of occupation and regarded it as a ring of the numerous colonialist plans which took place in the area.

The statement said: We are required today to step greater and wider steps in the field of backing the armed revolution in the Arabian Gulf and undertaking a role of enlightening our people's situation and exposing the colonialist and reactionary plans which fiercely increased at this decisive stage.

BAHRAIN:

FIRE BREAKS IN "BAPCO" REFINERY IN BAHRAIN

Huge fire broke out in the American "BAPCO" Refinery in Bahrain on 25th November, 1972. The fire remained ablaze for four days causing great damages to the American oil company. Attali'a magazine reported that incoming reports said that the fire was intentional and pre-planned in order to dismiss a number of workers. Those who forecast such conclusion based their summings on a previous act by the American BAPCO company aiming at dismissing a number of workers as a result of reducing its work. But such dismissal might subject the country to an extensive and unrestricted workers uprising.

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These uprisings will not cause damages within the frame of BABCO only but also reflect on the present regime in a comprehensive manner. Although the fire will leave behind great damages all these installations are insured with insurance companies against all dangers. Therefore the question of compensation for the damages will be a question of time not more. Those coming from Bahrain say that the company accepted relative loss against the expected workers uprising against the dismissal measures.

BAHRAIN: FOURTEEN CANDIDATES WITHDRAW FROM ELECTIONS GAME

Attali'a magazine of Kuwait published reports from Bahrain saying that fourteen candidates out of a total of 57 withdrew recently after the Bahrainian authorities refused to respond to the demands of the nationalist forces and that intention within the ranks of the masses favours boycott of the elections following the new campaign of arrests carried out by the authority as a reaction to and a precautionary measure against the explosion of two vehicles of the Bahrainian intelligence by the masses and the blasting of a building of a British contracting company as well as the wide-scale distribution of an underground newspaper carrying the name "5 March" published by the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf (Bahrain Region).

The People's Front distributed two statements amongst the masses in Bahrain. The first in August and the second in the beginning of October in which it outlined its stand towards the elections play and laid down some basic points which must be contained in the new constitution until certain freedoms are realised and granted to the people in Bahrain so that it is possible to agree that the elections are democratic and legitimate. These points include: release of democratic freedoms, to grant the woman the right of taking part in the nominations, elections and voting, to release political detainees and to lift the state of emergency which is continuing since 1956.

It is worth-mentioning that the candidates withdrawing from the elections play (Hisham Ashahabi, Ali Rabi'ah, Mohammad Jaber and others) were expected to win in view of their popularity and closeness to the masses. (This is according to al-Adhwa newspaper of Bahrain) and that their withdrawal was an open expression and protest against the pressure exercised by the government there against the citizens and their deprivation of their rights. The simplest example for this was its arrest of one of the withdrawing candidates (Ali Rabi'ah) and his interrogation after charging him of having a hand in the question of leaflets issued by the People's Front.

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