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Editorial

Husein and Qaboos... Together on the
Road of Treason

Although the exchange of visits among reactionary and puppet rulers in our Arab area has become normal to Arab citizens, the intensive visits by Jordan puppet rulers to the Arab Gulf in general and Qaboos sultanate in particular arouses questions and surprise.

In less than a month puppet Husein visited Mascut twice, and then sent an emissary to Mascut rulers. Normally such visits are covered with various dazzling names and national aims under which the real objectives are hidden,

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Therefore, when the puppets declare that they discussed in their meetings their common stands toward Arab affairs, they only mean that they are agreed among themselves to collaborate to combat their common enemy, and that they met in order to put practicable proposals for carrying out plots against the Arab nation and to deal a blow to Arab national and progressive forces.

Undoubtedly the reactionaries, like their imperialist masterminds, are most irritated to see the course of struggle in Lebanon turns in favour of the Palestinian resistance and the Lebanese national forces, which means to reinforce other revolutionary factions in the Arab area, particularly, the Omani revolution.

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the Palestinian revolution and the Jordanian progressive forces, as result of which he managed to survive and continue, in addition to moral support from Israel, Qaboos regime became indebted to Husein regime for this, and to express this indebtedness by Mascut regime, and in harmony with the political line drawn for it by U.S. and British colonials and imperialists, Mascut rulers are putting their hands in the hands of the Jordanian rulers, and are going on together with them on the road of treason.

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The following statement has been issued by an official spokesman of the P.F.L.O. concerning the declaration made by Qais Azzawawi, Mascut's foreign minister, at his press conference in Kuwait on 24/8/76:

Arab and foreign news agencies have reported the press conference which Mascut puppet regime's foreign minister, Qais Azzawawi, held on 24/8/76 in Kuwait, at which he confirmed his government's insistence on keeping the Iranian invading forces in Oman.

Azzawawi denied any intention or even consideration by his government to evacuate the Iranians from Oman, because, as he claims, they maintain security and stability in the area. With this declaration which provokes the feelings of the Oman people in particular, and the Arabs in general, Qais Azzawawi is emphasising for those who are seeking to rescue Mascut regime from its isolated position, the regime's nature and tricky type, and its collusion and conspiracy not only against Oman, but the whole Arab Peninsula.

The lies which Qaboos' foreign minister fabricates in an attempt to get Democratic Yemen involved in the dispute between the Omani people led by P.F.L.O. on one hand, and British colonial forces, Iranian invaders and the mercenaries are but unsuccessful attempts to turn fact up-side-down. They are unlogical and, to say least, ridiculous. They are much more like those contradicting and irresponsible statements by Mascut puppet regime officials on the revolution's existence or non-existence. Whilst Qaboos announced 12 months ago that the revolution had been ended, his foreign minister comes out today to assert painfully, as the French News Agency put it - the existence of the revolution, confirming the flasehood of Qaboos' allegations. P.F.L.O., while regarding Mascut's insistence on retaining Iranian and other foreign forces in Oman as a danger threatening Omani people and the neighbouring area, and jeopardizes peace and security in the area, and the whole world, it at the same time emphasises that it is resolutely determined to continue struggle on all fronts till the evacuation

of foreign forces and complete independence and freedom of Omani people are realised. P.F.I.O. will resort to all means of deterrent and confrontation, including acceptance of volunteers, in the face of these assertions by Mascut rulers and the imperialist threats and conspiracies.

Democratic Yemen Condemns the Shah's Hostile Policy.

Salem Rubayi' : What are the Aims of the So-called "Gulf Security" ?

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This was stated in the political speech which Salem Rubayi' Ali delivered at the non-alignment summit conference held in Colombo from 16 to 19 August, 1976.

Comrade Salem Rubayi' Ali further said:

The realisation and consolidation of world peace and security is a basic condition for progress and prosperity. However, world peace will not be realised merely with the ending of belligerency and the temporary calm and stability. Durable peace cannot prevail in the world unless it is based on justice and equality. Although we notice with pleasure that tension has eased in some parts of the world, yet, the continuation of foreign occupation and imperialist aggression in other parts, and the increase of armament, as well as economic inequality are dangerous to world peace and security.

In the Arab Peninsula and Gulf, of which we are a part, we witness a feverish arms race, particularly in Iran which is now one of the advanced bases of imperialism. Its security policy is not confined within its boundary, but goes far beyond to cover the whole area in order to

extend its influence and maintain the imperialist interests in our area. Apart from the fact that Iran's occupation of the three Arab islands gave the proof on her hostile and expansionist intentions, her despatch of her navy, air-force, infantry and armoury to fight the Omani people who are struggling for real independence and national sovereignty under the leadership of P.F.L.O. is a reminiscent of the imperialist military adventures against the peoples of Indo-China. It also threatens security and peace in our area.

On the other hand, the talk about the Gulf Security which is bolstered by cordial practices and even cooperation among Arab Peninsula states reminds us of the military pacts which had failed as result of national opposition in the Arab countries. Today, our question is what are the aims of the so-called Gulf Security? Who will guarantee whose security? What are its commitments to the CENTO and the imperialist ambitions in our area?

Democratic Yemen has been condemning the Iranian military intervention in Oman, and has warned of the risks of any military pacts against the people of this area, because she affirms its adherence to the principles of non-alignment and the U.N. including the rights of peoples to decide their own destiny.

Despite the tension resulting from the Iranian aggressive policy, positive developments have taken place in our area since the fourth summit conference. We feel that our joint efforts with our brothers in the northern homeland to realise the wishes and aspirations of the Yemeni people have been successful. We also express our delight over the establishment of natural relations between Democratic Yemen and her neighbours based on principles of good neighbourhood, mutual interest and Arab solidarity against zionism. We are confident that these growing relations will serve our people's progress and prosperity and will extend mutual benefits and create an atmosphere of security and stability.

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Omani Revolution Threatens the Imperialists
and their Puppets

What does the Existence of National Revolu-
tion in this Important Territory Mean to
the Imperialists

It is apparent that the concern of the imperialists and reactionaries about the Omani revolution lies in the sort of this revolution and the dangers its potential victory will constitute to the colonials and their puppets and to their interests in the area. World imperialism, on the frontline of which is U.S. imperialism, is showing deep concern over the Omani revolution and is keen to support its puppets in the area with all possible means.

Why Concerned?

The main reasons for the imperialists' concern over this revolution are:

Firstly; the Omani revolution is not of that same pattern which Oman had known throughout her ancient and modern history. It is a new type of revolution which has publicly declared its hostility to world imperialism, and its unpreparedness to dispense with the country and its wealths. It declared verbally and practically that it is a popular revolution which mainly depends on the masses and made known its anti-imperialist identity.

The Omani revolution has refused to act as an instrument in the hand of an imperialist side against another, and announced its entire alignment with the anti-imperialist and anti-colonial revolutionary forces, and, therefore, no imperialist side can invest it against another side.

Whilst some political analysts consider that revolutions are an extension of the struggle between U.S. imperialism and the Soviet Union, the Omani revolution rejects such an analysis and definition, as this totally ignores the heroic role of the people and their revolutionary movements, and regards them to be senseless instruments which are directed by this or that force without attention being given to their interests.

The Omani revolution has become a part of the anti-imperialist national liberation movement by virtue of the concern shown by its leadership to defend the interests of the Omani people. All its analysis and stands proceed from the interests of these people and from the struggle against imperialism, and the common targets which are summarised in laying down the foundation of justice, equality and fraternity among peoples and nations. But such relations should not be based on abandoning sovereignty and national independence as it is the case with the relations linking imperialism with its puppets, for such relations are based on enslavement and subjection to imperialism.

The imperialists, being aware of the fact about the Omani revolution and its programmes, are also aware that the taking over by P.F.I.O. of power implies that a progressive regime will be set up in Muscat and will suffocate their reactionary props in the area, and their interests will be largely threatened as the Omani revolution will be then playing a big role in bolstering the revolutionary movement in the neighbouring areas.

The Omani Revolution is Concerned with Oil Affairs.

Secondly; The Omani revolution has relationship with oil affairs. Where there is oil the imperialist circles, which use oil as a weapon against the revolutionary forces, are keen to strengthen the position of their puppets. It is aware that this weapon will be converted into a dangerous weapon it as soon as the reactionary forces take over power in the oil countries. Imperialism is, naturally antagonistic to the progressive regimes, and Americans are as concerned about the current situation as they are about oil and its royalties. When struggle against oil monopolies in the third world countries and their striving peoples is intensified, the victory of the revolution, which tackles economic matters in a radical approach, will constitute a dangerous blow to the monopolies which blackmail the wealths and reap huge profits accruing from production, transport, marketing, refining and petrochemicals.

The true essence of imperialism lies in the competition among the capitalists for zones and markets of raw-materials. Here in the Arab Gulf, where the most valuable raw and strategic materials are found, and where markets do pour millions of dollars in profit from commodities and military supplies, and where the revolution raises the "liberation" slogan, multinational monopolies and imperialists do not hesitate to distort the revolution and try to consider it as dangerous to world peace. Why? Because it threatens their interests and their military, political, and economic presence. To defame the revolution among their peoples, the imperialists and monopolies spend millions of dollars to finance this filthy operation.

The Revolution's Relation to Hormus

Straits

Thirdly; the Omani revolution is concerned with the issue of Hormus Straits, the world's most dangerous water-inlet. Through this inlet, more than 15 million barrels of oil costing 150 million dollars pass daily. The is apart from the huge quantities of goods which flow into the Arab Gulf from Europe, Japan and U.S.A. as well as other countries which have commercial relations with the countries in the area.

Thus, the control by the Popular Front of power in Mascut will imply the existence of a revolutionary regime in the western part of the straits, and will be a source of threat to the imperialists and their puppets in the area, particularly the Iranian reaction which took the revolution as a justification to intimidate the Arab regimes and invade the islands and the Omani land.

The fact, however, is that the imperialists and their servants are afraid of the access by the revolutionary forces of power in the area.

Omani Revolution... A threat to

Shah Regime

Fourth; according to the Shah, the Omani revolution is a source of all dangers which intimidate his fascist regime.

The victory of this revolution means that the frontline of the Shah defences will collapse leaving his internal frontline vulnerable, as the national minorities who hope to be liberated from oppression against them, and the growing Iranian democratic and revolutionary movement will find their base in the Omani revolution regime. The shah is rightful to say that he is concerned more about the rulers in the area than they are about themselves, and that he knows what is going on under their feet, and he is ready to interfere in to order end any popular uprising in any Arab Gulf State, because he knows the extent of danger that will beset his boundary in case any Arab progressive regime is set up on the other shore of the Arab Gulf.

Fifth; Oman is situated in the southern tip of the Arab Peninsula overlooking the Indian ocean Ocean. Since Britain announced her withdrawal from the area, the American have been increasing tension in the Indian Ocean and reinforcing their fleets and building more bases so that Oman became an important area in the U.S. plan to control the ocean. The imperialists are also keen to suffocate the revolutionary movement in the area so as to prevent the setting up any regime that will bar their hostile schemes.

Sixth; the victory of the Omani revolution and the setting up of a progressive regime in Mascut will mean strengthening of other revolutionary factions in the area and creation of promising circumstances for their victory, and, subsequently, potential rising of a host of revolutionary regimes.

This, however cannot be realised unless the revolutionary forces understand this fact interpret into programmes and tactics that will serve the cause of the revolution and its victory without endangering their strategic aims.

Such are the dangers of the Omani revolution to the imperialists and their reactionary puppets. But the revolution must confront the imperialist plots by launching programmes and tactics which will ensure victory with less expenses. Fears by some Arab regimes that the

revolution is aimed against them are baseless and unjustified. The revolution is directed against Qaboos reactionary regime. Despite the imperialist policy to create this belief, the Omani revolution refutes this belief by its practices.

A Statement by Behreini National Forces
on the Anniversary of the Arrests Campaigns and Resolution of National Council
in Behrein

The tense situation in the Arab area in this stage of the history of Arab struggle is characterised with the intensification of the imperialist reactionary offensive in an attempt to stop the massive victory which has been achieved by the Arab liberation movement.

A feverish activity by the imperialism, Arab reactionarism and Iran is being carried out in the Arab Gulf to establish a colonial pact under the guise of Gulf Security with the purpose of dealing a blow to the national liberation movement in the area and blackmail its resources. So the national forces are required to confront firmly this brutal attack. To realise this, militant patterns which comply with the size of this plot are required to disclose the subversive role of the imperialists and their puppets in the area.

Last year, precisely, on August, 23rd. Bahrein witnessed a brutalist attack against our people there. This was crowned with the repressive resolution adopted by the authority to dissolve the National Assembly and suspend one of the constitution's items, expressing its envy and the unfruitfulness of its methods in the face of the anger of the masses which rejected the ill-reputed security measures' ordinance one of the items of which empowers the interior minister to detain any citizen for three years without trial. The ordinance was also in compliance with the colonial policy which paved the way for the ruling authority to dissolve the council.

The puppet/authority based its justifications for

council on that the council had violated the plans which had been drawn by its imperialists and their puppets in the area, particularly, after the national movement and the national deputies were able to resist every resolution or stand hostile to the national interests. It puppets in the council failed to pass the so-called state security ordinance the revocation of which was widely demanded by the masses. The authority also tried, through its information campaigning, to cover-up its repression against parliamentary life and the minimum public freedom on the pretext that circumstances in Bahrain do not allow democratic activities.

These weak justifications are the last mask under the puppet authority is hiding its repressive and anti-democratic character. It has found no other method with which to tackle the masses' economic and political problems except the dissolution of the National Assembly and the oppression of national and honourable forces.

The Bahraini national movement, by virtue of its close relations with the masses, and being aware of the plots in the area is of opinion that the dreadful campaign against our people will only increase their determination to resist and sacrifice

1st September Revolution.. A Landmark
in the Arab Revolutionary War

The 1st September Revolution is a landmark in the course of the triumphant Arab revolutionary movement. It occurred amid Arab and international circumstances which were characterised with extremely/brutal imperialist, reactionary and Zionist offensive to undermine Arab determination for liberation

Today as the Libyan Arab masses celebrate the seventh anniversary of the 1st. September Revolution and as they realise this revolution's achievements on Libyan and Arab levels, they are hopeful and optimistic that the flag of the

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Arab liberationary movement is undoubtedly victorious despite the attempts to cast suspicion on Arab revolution march.

On this auspicious occasion, the Executive Central Committee of the P.F.L.O. sent a cable of greetings to the leader of the First September Revolution and his free comrades.

Two Militants Murdered by
Iranian Authorities

The Iranian fascist authorities have murdered two Iranian militants, a woman and a man, who were detained in their prisoners. The action was in retaliation for the military operations carried out against the Iranian authorities. It caused panic to the Shah regime and Washington government and made the Shah threaten with punishment.

The murder of the two militants by the Shah regime clearly proves that this regime has become disabled to face the Iranian revolutionary power, which undermined the regime's fortifications. It is clear that the Shah's threatening to punish the (culprits) are rather a hysterical wailing by the Shah who lost the power of thinking. The Shah can revenge only from those militants who are detained in his prisons and deprived of their legal and humanistic rights. But the Shah commits folly to think that such retaliatory acts achieve his objectives. On the contrary, they will only increase feelings of hatred and envy among the Iranian masses to the Shah U.S. backed regime. The Shah will not escape punishment by the Iranian who can prove that they are much more powerful than he is despite the hordes of U.S. experts and advisers who surround him.

Again in Reply to Azzawawi's last Statement:

The random statement which Qaboos foreign minister made on 24/8/76, at his press conference in Kuwait gains

special importance not only because of the time and place where it was made, but because of the issue it had dealt with, which could be specified in the following:

First; the struggle waged by Omani people led by F.F.L.O.

Second; the Iranian military presence, and Qaboos regime's relation to the Iranian occupation forces.

Third; The puppet regime's stand from the imperialist bases in the area.

Concerning the first point, Azzawawi's statements have been clear and open condemnation of the lies which Mascat puppets used to launch, that the revolution had been ended. The last claim was that made by Yousuf Alalawi to the Qataer News Agency only a week before Azzawawi's press conference. In it he said: no hostile organisation is in existence any more in Oman. However, to undermine Alawi's statement, Azzawawi emphasised that the revolution does exist. He is - as he put it - sad because of the presence of the presence of some pockets of resistance which, had it not been for Yemen's support, would not have survived.

As far as the continuation of the revolutionary military activity is concerned, we have been expecting the puppets to recognise this fact. Revolutions are ended with statements, press releases or by temporary military gains. Such statements do not create or sustain revolutions either. Azzawawi has only admitted the shameful distress in which our people are living despite some reforms and dazzling promises. As far as the attempts to get Democratic Yemen involved in our people's struggle and to illustrate this struggle as a hostile act by Democratic Yemen against the sultanate, such attempts are not new to us. Democratic Yemen feels proud to side with our Omani people's revolution against the Shah's armies. It is only natural that the traitor regime in Mascat and its masterminds would regard Democratic Yemen's stand to be hostile to them.

Qaboos Regime ... A Natural Extension
to Iranian Regime

Second; it is clear and natural that a regime like Qaboos'

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which was made by foreign hands would be fully aligned and allegiant to those who made it and provided it with all means of life. For the last six years of its existence, Qaboos regime, has been acting like a natural extension to the Iranian regime and a principled ally of all puppets.

Never in this period has this regime acted in a way showing sovereignty or any sort of independence and neutrality. All its stands have led to more treason and hostilities as well as departure from Arab coordinated stand.

Many a time attempts have been made by several Arab regimes to stop this regime within its present limits - at least if it is not possible to bring back to the Arab rank. But all the attempts were in vain.

The failure was a logical result, because this regime does not have the power to control its movements and bearing. It is steered by those forces which had made it and pledged to look after it and protect it.

Failure by Arab Rulers to Isolate Mascut Regime from Tehran

Even any reapproachment between the Arab Gulf regimes and Qaboos regime, in spite of the justifications and pretexts put forward by the Arab rulers, emerges from fear of the Shah rather ^{than} from patriotic motive. The justifications are as follows:

The isolation of Qaboos regime will give it the chance to keep away from the Arab arena and join the Iranian regime and the imperialist forces, which will enable the imperialist forces to reinforce their presence and control the sultanate and turn it into a centre of threatening to Arabs.

Attempts have actually been made by some Arab regimes to utilize this reapproachment, imagining that they are throwing birds with one stone. In fact they only hit themselves with this stone, because despite all the assistance they have given to it and their promises to rescue it from its deteriorating economy and intentions to it, Qaboos regime

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has never hesitated to deal a strong blow to Arab rulers.

Azzawawi Confirms: Mascut Rulers Cannot Survive without Foreign Protection.

In Kuwait, which hosts thousands of the sons of our people, and where condemnations of the invasion and treason, and demands for the evacuation of the invaders are voiced, and the Kuwaiti government exerts to drive the invaders out of Oman and pledges to end Qaboos' isolation and help it overcome its economic crisis, Qaboos' representative said: we cannot consider demanding the withdrawal of Irani forces from Oman.

In other words, Mascut regime cannot abandon its reliance on the Iranian authorities and U.S. imperialism. To justify this stand, Azzawawi says those forces are there to guarantee security and stability in the area. Does this prove that this regime is unable to guarantee its presence without foreign protection? and why do Arab rulers insist that this regime is a national one.

History is full of evience on the treasons of these rulers. If Arab regimes in the area are keen to consolidate Arab entity in the face of the growing aggressiveness and expansionist policy of the Iranian regime, they ought not to do it through shaking the hands of those rulers who are traitors and are fully aligned with the Iranian regime and its imperialist masters.

U.S. military presence in our country does not need to be confirmed by Puppets.

Thirdly; Azzawawi is fooling us when he says that Mascut rulers are not prepared to concede to grant any bases on its land to foreign forces. We do not which forces are meant by him. Just recently, he has been announcing a rejection of a demand for the withdrawal of the Iranian occupation forces. One and half a year ago, his master Qaboos had signed an agreement with the Americans providing for:

1. establishment of a U.S. base in Mascut to replace the British base.
2. granting of concessions to U.S. companies to explore and exploit natural wealths in our country. E ven agricultural lands are leased to U.S. companies for 20 years.

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3. In return for this U.S. promises military assistance and experts. First loads of arms have been discharged at Rekhwet Port on February, 1975, only one month after the agreement was signed by Qaboos and Ford.

Who is Interested in Bases and Pacts
in the Area?

Azzawawi says that he will not allow Soviet bases to be established in the area. We know that the Soviet Union which is not a colonial state, did not ask Mascut rulers for bases. He does not have oil cartels or controls markets in the area so that he might be seeking bases to protect these cartels. The Soviet Union did not propose the Gulf Security scheme either. His stands toward the Arab causes and the Omani and Palestinian causes are well-known to Arab citizens. On the contrary, the stands of the United States, Britain and other colonial states are well-known too. So clear are the stands of the Iranian regime, which, in addition to occupying our land, still supplies Israel with oil.

Yet, if we take it for granted that Mascut rulers had not signed an agreement for setting up a U.S. base in Masierah, the Iranin military presence will take over the tasks of U.S. base. This has been admitted by the Shah and by U.S. officials. Does Azzawawi realise this fact? Unicouttely, yes. He is not ideot, but he pretends to be so. Do the rulers in the area also realise this fact?

Be it as it may, Arab rulers have to be aware that Mascut rulers have become a strange object in the body of Arabs, and therefore,, precautions must be taken to avert the danger to this body.

Arab rulers must realise as well that, as rulers, they are the target for both sides, and if they too far in their collusion with the Iranin arrogance the Mascut rulers' treason, they will arouse their people's wrath against them, while they cannot guarantee the consent of the Shah. To show more remiss on this affair means

giving the Shah the chance to be more arrogant. Until when will the rulers of the area close their eyes to this fact?

P.F.L.O. Central Executive Committee
Greets Vietnamese

The Socialist Republic of 31st. national day anniversary on September, 2. On this auspicious occasion, the Central Executive Committee of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Oman sent a cable of greeting to the President of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. The cable expressed confidence ^{that} the dedicated and strong leadership which had led the Vientnese people's struggle against their enemies to victory would be able to lead their immortal experience in the field of construction. The cable added that U.S. imperialism and and reactionary forces have been severely defeated thanks to the legendary resistance of the Vietnamese struggling masses and their dedicated leadership.

Mascut Puppets Open Student Clubs

News from Mascut purport that the puppet regime in Mascut has opened a new club in Cairo. The club which is situated in Adloqqi replaced the ^{Cairo} branch of the Omani Students' General Union which the Egyptian authorities closed at the request of the puppet regime. Its purpose is to poison students thinkings and divert them from thinking of political affairs of concern to their homeland and sharing their Omani masses in resisting and confronting the invading repressive forces occupying their land. The club is also assigned to spread corruption and division among sons of the O mani regions and to fulfil other functions which jeopardize the interest of the Omani people and their struggle.

