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MILITARY REPORT

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ISSUED BY FORCES OF PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY - DHOFAR REGION

The forces of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia are continuing their successive and strong attacks on the centres and positions of the colonialist and reactionary enemy in the southern Region of Oman (Dhofar) during the period between 24th October and 6th November, 1973 during which our forces launched successful operations which concentrated mostly on the Western Region and inflicted upon the enemy heavy losses in life and equipment and installations. The following are details of these operations:-

AL-MAMMAR - M RYTH AHMED MUHAD ASLAM OPERATION

At nine in the morning of 30th October, the forces of the People's Liberation Army shelled with artillery the enemy centre at Abu Khuseifa at al- ammar. The shelling was strong and concentrated and continued for one hour during which four enemy positions were destroyed and four enemy members were either killed or wounded. A helicopter was seen removing them after the withdrawal of our forces which returned to base safely without incurring any losses.

WESTERN REGION:

On 24th October the aircraft of the British Royal Air Force raided the houses of citizens and their cottles at Dhalkout town in the Western Region. The raid continued for one and a half hours resulting in the extermination of fifteen she-camels of the citizens but there were no casualties.

At eight in the morning of the following day the sniping group of the forces of the People's Liberation Army carried out a sniping operation against the enemy members in North Sarfeet which continued upto 4 in the evening. During these operations three enemy members were wounded and the group returned safely to base.

On 8th October, at one in the afternoon the sniping group of the People's Liberation Army attacked the enemy members in his position in North Sarfeet using light weapons. The attack continued upto 1.45 in the afternoon of the same day during which our group managed to kill two enemy members. At 1.15 in the afternoon of the same day another group of our forces shelled with artillery the enemy positions in North Sarfeet. The shelling continued for three quarters of an hour during which three enemy positions were destroyed. Enemy losses in life were not assessed. In the morning of the same day a group of our revolutionaries strongly shelled the enemy positions in North Sarfeet for twenty minutes causing to the enemy great damages in life and equipment and the destruction of two enemy positions.

Our losses were none.

On 2nd November at 8.30 in the morning our forces shelled with artillery the enemy positions in North Sarfeet for 45 minutes during which two enemy positions were destroyed and a number of enemy members were injured. Our losses were none.

On 4th November, our forces operating at Sarfeet launched at 9.30 the enemy positions for three quarters of an hour during which our forces managed to destroy three enemy positions and injure a number of enemy members. At ten in the morning of the same day another group of our forces shelled the enemy positions in North Sarfeet for half an hour but enemy losses were not assessed during this operation. Our losses were none during both operations.

At six in the evening of the 6th November, a group from the forces of the People's Liberation Army attacked the enemy forces in their positions in North Sarfeet using in this attack which was launched in a surprising and lightning method and which lasted for fifteen minutes, light weapons. Enemy losses during this operation were not assessed. Our forces returned safely to base.

TOTAL ENEMY LOSSES:

- 1) Death and Injury of nine enemy members
- 2) Destruction of sixteen enemy positions completely
- 3) Destruction of artillery position of 81-mm
- 4) The enemy losses also included heavy losses in installations, equipment and lives which were not assessed yet.

OUR LOSSES DURING ALL THESE OPERATIONS:

- 1) Extermination of fifteen she-camels of the citizens.

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RETURN OF P.F.L.O.A.G.'S DELEGATION FROM PEACE CONGRESS IN MOSCOW

The delegation of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf returned from Moscow last Wednesday - 7.11.73 after taking part in the World Congress of Peace Forces which was held in Moscow during the period 25th to 31st October and in which more than 5,000 invitees from 143 countries representing 120 international organisations and more than 1,100 organisations, parties and national movement attended signifying by that a biggest international demonstration for consolidating peace based on justice and freedom.

The People's Front delegation took part in this congress emanating from its conviction that the struggle of our people for real political and economic independence is only a struggle for ending one of the vacuums of tension caused by Anglo-American imperialism and for establishing a permanent and just peace. Our delegation took part in three committees. They were:

- 1) The Middle East
- 2) Security in Asia,
- 3) National Liberation and Struggle against colonialism and racism.

Through the studies forwarded by us and by convincing many of the delegates of countries and friendly organisations, the committees reports contained the following:-

1) The Security in Asia Commission: In the Arabian Gulf and Arabian Peninsula area, Anglo-American imperialism in cooperation with the reactionary regimes build military bases and arm in an extensive manner these regimes and work to build the new pacts of imperialism for continuation of their control over these areas which are rich with oil and against the national liberation movement in this area and the progressive regimes in Iraq and the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen.

The liberation movement in the Arab Gulf strengthen day after day and fights with determination imperialism and its puppets and the reactionary rulers.

MESSAGE FROM SALLALAH

If the economic blockade and all methods of tightening the rope were intended before against the rural masses, then those measures extended to cover the urban masses which are accused of helping the rural masses to reduce the hardness of the blockade imposed on them.

Under the curtain of fighting the high prices and exploitation of the merchants, and under the curtain of allegations over the world crisis in rice, the reactionary authorities agreed with the exploiter merchant Mr. Salem bin Ibrahim Ali, to be the responsible for and the only source for grain in rice in the towns of Dhofar. It also agreed with him on the prices and the methods of sale as to quantity and way to be followed and whom priority is to be given in the disposal of the important quantity of foodstuffs.

As to the ordinary citizen who wants to obtain a bag of rice, he has to get a paper signed by governor "Buraid bin Hamood" or his deputy. This agreement from the Governor cannot take place except in very exception cases and through mediations because the authority announced that it is impossible to give a bag of rice to any citizens except on Id or important occasions. Excluded from such measures were all puppets and those having positions in the machineries of the State, as any one of these can obtain this foodstuff at any time and in an quantity he wants and with a special price. From it appears to us who is affected by the measures and what are the real aims and objectives hiding behind them?

Of course those intended and affected by the measures will not be the merchant or puppets but will be the ordinary citizen as this citizen will be lucky if he reaches the office of the Governor or his deputy and will be lucky if he gets their approval. This means that the citizen will remain under the mercy of the merchant. Because he wanted to live he must eat and get permission and obtain the foodstuffs but this means to him the impossible. Therefore, he will resort to the merchant who will exploit him and impose on the citizen the price he wants and who does not want to buy at this price he is not forced to buy.

So the operation as it is clear is aimed at subjugating the citizen and as the Governor says at punishing him because he helps his brothers and his relatives who come from the rurals and on whom the authority imposes an ugly economic blockade. By this he is only rebelling against the government.

From here it appears to us that the authority wants to fight exploitation with the exploiters themselves and wants to fight high prices with the imposition of further factors which help in the dedication of these prices and wants to overcome the crisis in the quantities of rice by piling up and stocking the rice in their palaces and the palaces of its employees and their relatives who include puppets, hirelings and mercenaries.

NEW TERRORISTIC OFFICIAL IN THE EMBASSY OF THE AUTHORITY
IN KUWAIT

The reactionary authority in Muscat appointed puppet Saed Ali Akak as member in its Embassy in Kuwait to replace the former puppet "Ali Sahl who was in charge of following up the citizens of the Southern Region who reside in Kuwait and who clashed with the ambassador of the reactionary authority as a result of his interference in the affairs of the Ambassador and his duties as ambassador.

STAND CONFIRMS FALSEHOOD OF CLAIMS ON NATIONAL SOLIDARITY

During the holiday of Idd al-Fitr, all Arab embassies in Kuwait closed their doors and refused to hold any reception which they were holding on such occasions every year in view of the combative circumstances being passed by the Arab nation.

But the embassy of the puppet authority deviated such a stand and opened its doors to receive the greeters. It even addressed invitations to receptions held by it on this occasion. So where is the solidarity stand boasted by the puppets?

BY FORMATION OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES REACTIONARY AUTHORITY IN MUSCAT SOLVES PROBLEMS OF MASSES

MUSCAT:

After the wave of soaring up prices in Oman in a very acute manner, the reactionary authority in Muscat started to form a committee for studying such a sign in a bid by it to throw ashes into the eyes in order to reduce the popular turmoil against the policy followed by the authority to face the problems of the masses.

The so-called Public Development Board issued a statement to the citizens in which it announced shamelessly that the government is we aware of the problem of high cost of living and is studying it carefully on the hope of re-aching a solution to be announced to be citizens as soon as possible.

STRIKE BY WORKERS AND EMPLOYEES OF AMERICAN MISSIONARY HOSPITAL

BAHRAIN: The workers and employees of the American Missionary hospital in Bahrain staged a strike at the end of October after all their efforts to realize their demands failed. Their just demands centred on the following:-

- 1) Improvement of the level of the wages of all workers in the hospital where the salaries are low to a great degree and prices are high and going up higher. The workers demanded an increase of ten per cent.
- 2) Provision of transport for the workers and employees.
- 3) Clothing to be provided by the hospital as the workers are forced to put special clothes and the hospital management forces them to buy such clothings from their small salaries.
- 4) To count the over-time hours.

The workers have submitted a memorandum sometime ago to the director of the hospital but the American officials turned back without shame this memorandum and increased their oppression against the workers and employees. The strike came in reply to the non-response of the officials in the hospital to the just demands of the workers and the employees and as an expression of the great indignation reigning over the Bahrain as a result of the high wave of prices which harrass the citizen.

NEW REVOLUTIONARY ACCOMPLISHMENT

Brother Citizens,

In commitment by the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf to the massive line and to crown the policy of the Revolution of 9th June by the extension of the potentialities of their revolution to the crushed masses who are oppressed by the colonialists, reactionaries, traitors and hirelings, and believing in the right of the masses to know every fact about their revolution and their homeland and the necessity of exposing all plans of Imperialism and Reaction which are woven against our homeland and people and so that the information voice of the revolution is heard by all masses in our dear homeland in order to face the information and propaganda of the colonialists, reactionaries and traitors the revolution was eager to consolidate the information corporations and to raise their standard so that the Voice of the Revolution reaches every houses and every village and town in our beloved homeland.

Today we extend to the masses of our militant and brave people who incurred hundreds of martyrs and injured on the path of their just people's war and faced the British and Iranian aggression and innumerate foreign interference in our homeland and continued their people's war throughout the past nine years, the news to these masses and to be patriots of the People's Liberation Army and the People's Militia on the opening by the revolution of its own radio (The Voice of the Revolution Radio of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf). Transmission started with effect from 3rd November, 1973 from 5.45 to 7.15 every evening (Aden time). The Aden office of the People's Front will continue to beam its special programme from the Radio of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen in Aden as usual.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf, while celebrating such news to the militant and steadfast masses, undertakes to continue the struggle at all political, military, information, and social levels to face all plans of imperialism and reaction and to escalate the just war against the enemies of the people at all level until our people becomes victories and their national and democratic objectives for establishing a national and democratic regime on their territories are realised.

MOVES BY AMERICAN SEVENTH FLEET IN INDIAN OCEAN

The American imperialism carried out a new aggressive step against the Arab people in particular and against all freedom and peace-loving peoples in general. It announced the despatch of its Seventh Fleet to Indian Ocean contravening with and challenging by that the Arab and world public opinions which call for consideration of this area as an area of world security and peace. It is to be recalled that the command of the American Seventh Fleet is present in Bahrain, which is used as an aggressive base against the Arab nation and against the peoples of the area neighbouring the Indian Ocean.

Moreover, the American imperialists are using the base of Masirah in the operations of fuel supplies and maintenance and as an aggressive base against our militant people.

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The puppet regime in Muscat is extending all facilities to the Americans in this area. This new move by the American fleet comes following the recent battles waged by the Arab forces against the Zionist enemy and at a time in which the Arab forces impose a naval siege around Israel in the Red Sea, and at a time in which the Arab oil-producing countries announced the suspension of oil to the United States of America as a result of its completely hostile attitude and support and stand by the side of the Zionist enemy.

The People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf announced and warned more than once against such moves by the American Seventh Fleet and its continuous threat to peace in this area and great traitorous role carried out by the puppet Sultanate in this connection. It also affirmed its complete rejection of the American presence in the Indian Ocean and its resentment over its criminal manoeuvres and its condemnation of the facilities extended by the puppet regime in Muscat and Bahrain to the American fleets through the British bases scattered in Oman and the Arabian Gulf area.

MESSAGE OF GREETINGS TO SOVIET LEADERS ON 56th ANNIVERSARY OF SOCIALIST OCTOBER REVOLUTION

The peoples of the friendly U.S.S.R. celebrated the 56th anniversary of the Great Socialist Revolution of October which declare the birth of the first socialist revolution in the world. The masses of our people share the peoples of the friendly Soviet Union celebrations on this great occasion. The Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf sent a message of greetings to the Political Bureau of the Soviet Communist Party on this occasion. The message reads:-

"The Political Bureau of the Soviet Communist Party, Moscow.

The Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf is pleased to extend to you its warm felicitations on the occasion of the 56th anniversary of the Great October Revolution and to express to the Soviet Communist Party and the friendly Soviet peoples extreme admiration for the accomplishments realised throughout the past years. The Great October Revolution was a start for a new stage in the history of the militant mankind fighting against capitalist exploitation and enslavement. It gave under the leadership of the Party of Lenin wonderful examples in heroism and confrontation of the conspiracies of the imperialists and their criminal wars. Through its triumphant combative procession, the Great October Revolution stood by the side of the national liberation forces and moves and the forces of peace and progress in the world and extended every help and support consolidating by that the cohesion between the national liberation movements and the Socialist Community. The Arab national liberation movement secured support and backing from the friendly Soviet Union and shared in apprehending the imperialists and Zionists who want to obstruct the processions of the Arab revolution and continuation of their control and looting of Arab nation.

"The Soviet Union stood by the side of the Arabs in their battle of destiny against the Zionist occupation and the imperialist interference and stood by the side of the armed Palestinian resistance and the right of the Palestinian people for their legitimate rights

LEAVE THIS OCEAN YOU DIRTY FLEET

During the recent war which was waged by Egypt and Syria and the Palestine resistance backed by the masses of the Arab nation against the Israeli aggression, the American Sixth Fleet carries out suspected and distorted displays and moves in the Mediterranean. It was clear to all nationalists and progressives in the Mediterranean area that this fleet constitutes great danger to the peoples of that area. This danger appeared during the recent war when it extended full military support to Israel provoking by that not only the peoples of the Arab nation but all peoples overlooking the Mediterranean. The voices of the nationalists and progressives were raised high condemning this fleet and its dirty role and asking the peace-loving countries and peoples to intensify the campaign against American imperialism in order to force it withdraw its fleet and make the Mediterranean sea a lake of peace and security for its peoples.

It was clear too to our masses that the Israeli base in occupied Palestine cannot live one moment without American backing and without American protection and strict watch by the American Sixth Fleet to protect its security and stability. After ceasefire in the Arab fronts in Sinai and the Golan, eyes started to turn towards the suspected moves carried out by the American Seventh Fleet in the Indian Ocean. Since American imperialism started to give its increasing attention to the Indian Ocean after the increase and growth of the national liberation movement in Asia and Africa and in particular the South Arabian Peninsula and East Africa, this imperialism started to increase the pieces of the fleet and reinforces them with new destructive weapons. This made the peoples of this area feel the great danger posed to its security and safety and demand the withdrawal of this fleet and to make the Indian Ocean a demilitarised area free from aggressive fleets.

But American imperialism found for its puppets in this area in order to create naval bases for its fleet to threaten the peoples of these countries and the neighbouring peoples. It found in the sheikhs of Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Oman and Iran warm friends for it extending to it backing and support and all facilities needed by it. In Bahrain there is a headquarters for the command of the American Seventh Fleet. A group of pieces from the fleet take up position continuously in the territorial waters of Bahrain. Moreover the American imperialists get all necessary facilities from their British allies on the island of Masirah which was turned by British imperialism into a huge naval and air base.

In Iran naval bases are scattered all across the eastern coast of the Gulf of Oman and the Arabian Gulf extending all facilities to the Seventh Fleet in spite of all appeals by peace-loving peoples and countries to make the Indian Ocean an area of peace and security. But the American imperialists hit against the wall all appeals by the peoples and countries and continued their provocations and displays hostile to the peoples. During the recent period it was repeated that the Seventh fleet pieces undertake suspicious and distorted moves in the area and that they undoubtedly pose danger to our people and the peoples in East Africa and the Southern Arabian Peninsula.

This suspected and distorted move is linked with the Middle East crisis and the backing extended by American Imperialism to Israel. It is also linked with the total imperialist plan to face the progressive regime in Democratic Yemen and the armed revolution in Oman. The progressive regime in Aden proved its sincere stand by the side of the battle of destiny and closed Bab al-Mandab in the face of the Israeli vessels placing all its potentialities in the service of the battle. It carried this brave step after placing under its consideration all possibilities and probabilities that might be taken by imperialism and reaction against it. From the first moments there appeared the strings of the imperialist-reactionary plan. Saudi Arabia placed vast potentialities for the mercenaries and held for them a conference at Geizan to unite the efforts of the mercenaries for launching an abortive campaign against the Fifth and Fourth Provinces. It also weaved more conspiracies against Democratic Yemen at a time in which it filled the world with noise on the Saudi backing for the confrontation countries.

Now come the moves of the American Seventh Fleet to complete the picture and to place all nationalists and revolutionaries in the South of the Arabian Peninsula in front of the tasks of confrontation of all conspiracies weaved by imperialism and reaction.

American imperialism wants to prove that it is capable of protecting Israel and opening the Arab passages for its trade and oil fleets. But it forgot that the will of the struggle with our Arab masses in this area is possessing the heroic determination enjoyed by the masses of our Arab nation in the Arab homeland.

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to determine their destiny on their land. The stands of the Soviet Union against the recent Israeli aggression and its complete support for the just war waged by the Arab nation was a centre of admiration by our militant masses. The Soviet Union also stood by the issue of liberation in our homeland and the right of our people to determine their future. We value its continuous support for the revolution and its stand by its side and extension of everything needed by our people of support, backing and consolidation. We affirm on this occasion the historical importance for reinforcing and consolidating relations between the revolution and its militant masses and between the friendly Soviet Union to face the forces of imperialism and injustice in this part of the world. Please accept our sincere revolutionary compliments!

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PEACE CONGRESS - Cont'd.

2) National Liberation and Struggle Against Colonialism and Racism Commission:

In the Gulf area and the Arabian Peninsula Britain and the United States, depending upon the local reactionary forces, expand their conspiracies against the liberation movements. The congress supports the liberation movements in the Arabian Peninsula area and the Gulf and against Anglo-American colonialism.

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