

IMPORTANT STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF THE PEOPLE'S FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF OMAN ON THE OCCASION  
OF THE 13th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GLORIOUS  
9th JUNE REVOLUTION

OUR OMANI MASSES,  
 MASSES OF OUR ARAB NATION  
 FRIENDS AND ALLIES OF THE REVOLUTION EVERYWHERE

The 13th anniversary of the glorious 9th June revolution is falling on us these days and this occasion is being celebrated by us along with our friends and allies everywhere and the supporters of freedom, justice and progress. Thirteen years have passed on the armed revolution of our Omani people for the sake of winning their right for freedom and genuine independence and for getting rid of the forces of occupation, and invasion and the foreign bases and also for the sake of democracy and progress. This just struggle of our people is still continuing and has not realised its objectives yet. It might continue for several other years because it realises its legitimate objectives. Here the revolution enters its 14th years while "Oman" the sultanate is still occupied and lies under the weight of a number of foreign British, Iranian and American bases and the Shah's invasion forces are still keeping the areas occupied by them and the treaties of subordination and the harsh agreements concluded with Britain, Iran and America are still valid between these countries and the puppet Muscat regime and the British commanders and advisers are still occupying sensitive positions in the country - military and civilian - and the British Ambassador in the capital Muscat is still the real sultan and the real ruler and not Qaboos the facade and tool.

The British and their puppet Qaboos have ever since 1970 upto this day carried out a collection of administrative, economic and social reforms with the aim of winning the Omani people to their side and blocking the road in front of the development of the revolution but they did not introduce anything at all on the road of solving the national issue of Oman and realising its freedom and independence. But alternatively they side by side with their administrative, economic and social reforms of limited size have deepened the national problem further and further and added new chains and new catastrophes to the freedom of Oman and its independence and safety of its territories. First of all they added the problem of the islands which were given to Iran for establishing bases and even

to annex them and regard them as part of its territories, and secondly they opened the bors and territories of Oman in front of the forces of the invasion Iranian army and thirdly they hired the strategic base of Masirah to America for establishing huge bases on it which threaten the security of the entire area. All this was coupled by further treaties of subordination and hiredom with Iran and America whether at the political, economic and cultural levels. They have completely ignored that the Omani people have carried out the revolution in the first place for freedom and independence and that the people cannot accept anything other than freedom and independence and that freedom is the dearest and first and basic demand amongst all demands for which this people fought and still fights ever since 1965 upto this day. They belittled the feelings and inspirations of our people and their national aspirations and their legitimate demands and have introduced to this people a collection of schools, hospitals and certain modern signs and at the same time they have increased the strength of their occupation of Oman and control over the wealths of the Omani people. They have impressed themselves that our Omani people will abandon to them their right for independence and freedom in return for obtaining and getting administrative, economic and social reforms.

Today and after the elapse of eight years over the start of the British and Qaboosite reformatory programmes, it becomes clear strongly and plainly and year after year the extent of great imagination in which the British, Qaboosites and their allies have fallen in through their plans and programmes in Oman. The passing days reveal with more clarity the extent of the weakness of the reformatory programmes for the Anglo-Qaboosite tranquility and inability of these programmes to solve the real problems from which the sweeping majority of the poor and toilers of the Omani people including workers, peasants fishermen and shepherds as well as students, women and youth suffer. With the exception of the collection of schools and hospitals the real beneficiary from the entire other reforms are the foreigners, the puppet al-Dusaid family, the major merchants and landlords.

The opening widely of the doors of Oman in front of the world monopolies and the American, British, French, Japanese, South Korean, and Iranian multi-national foreign companies in the field of agriculture, fish wealth and animal wealth in addition to the oil, copper, and other minerals has placed the wealths of the country for

condensed imperialist robbery and looting and added new problems and catastrophes to the life of the Omani peasants, workers, fishermen and shepherds as a result of deadly competition, incompetence and confiscation and exploitation of fertile agricultural lands and fish resorts and exploitation with all forms. In return for this the strength of repression and terrorism increases further and further and escalates along with confiscation of the simplest public and individual freedoms. The detective and fascist nature of the regime also increases and escalates.

Our Omani and Arab masses and friends and allies of the revolution,

The past thirteen years of the age of the present revolution of our Omani people which is being led by the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman, the vanugard of this militant people and its strong instrument in its just and legitimate struggle for freedom and for realisation of the independence of Oman and its progress and for democracy and for living in peace away from pacts and aggressive bases, all these years of struggle have realised many of the victories, accomplishments and gains which proved the ability of our people to wage a firm struggle with all its types topped by the armed struggle, and forced the British and American imperialists and their local lackeys to introduce a collection of reformatory works in the area. But the major objectives for which the revolution came have not been realised yet and as such the revolution has to continue and to work for pacifying all obstacles and difficulties standing on its way and to overcome the points of weakness and gaps in its own status in order to be able to observe steadfastness and march forward.

Our militant people and its armed revolution under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman have incurred during the past thirteen years thousands of martyrs, detainees and prisoners most of whom are still in the prisons upto now after many of these prisoners have been martyred under torture and death sentences. Villages, rural areas, farms and grazing places of the people particularly in the southern region of the homeland were subject to collective annihilation and extermination raids and burning and extensive destruction. Yet our people demonstrated that they can greatly tolerate and shoulder such acts for the sake of waging the revolutionary war and facing the developed weapons of destructions of the imperialists and the Iranian invaders and their puppet the Muscat regime and to incur many sacrifices and make great efforts on the different fronts of confrontation making by that wonderful volume and a huge revolutionary experiment for the whole national move in the entire Arabian Gulf and Peninsula. Our people are still



marching on its combative road with firmness fully determined to develop this volume and revolutionary experiment until it is crowned with final victory.

The strategic position of Oman, which controls the entrance into the Arabian Gulf and the danger of the Omani revolution to all huge oil interests of imperialism in this area, pushed the American and British imperialists in this area and their local puppets to mobilise huge potentialities, weapons and forces for the war against the Omani revolution and the Omani people and to launching an extensive and fierce annihilation war against the peaceful and militant people which is fighting for its legitimate rights. Such acts in conformity with the collection of mistakes and shortcomings in which the front fell whether at the political, military or organisational level or at the tactical level led to a noticeable progress in the side of the enemies in the conflict and to the realisation of important military gains in their favour which were resembled in the outcome of the extensive military campaign on the Western area of the Dhofar Region at the end of 1975 and beginning of 1976.

The interim military setback suffered by our forces in the southern region constituted undoubtedly a huge gain for the enemies and revised the collapsed morale which started to spread up within their forces due to the successive defeats suffered by them in the campaigns and battles which preceded this campaign. The puppet Muscat regime and its masters and allies worked with all their information and diplomatic energies to exploit this military gain at both internal and external levels with the aim of improving the political situation of the collapsing regime and to reduce the isolation around it in order to picture the military gain of interim duration as an end for the revolution.

The puppet Muscat regime and its masters realise thoroughly well that the revolution is still continuing and is still constituting danger to their presence. Therefore, their dreams and efforts did not stop for reaching a political solution with the revolution that clears its presence from the foundation. They have imagined and particularly after the failure of the efforts of the Arab League and the Arab mediation committee during the years of 1974 - 1975 that they by weakening the revolution militarily they will realise their objective to reach a political settlement with it in return for giving it some ministerial positions and posts. They moved and still move their allies from the oil countries towards this direction which proves in fact and remarkably their firm belief and feeling that the revolution is still continuing and still constitutes real danger to them and their interests.

The circles of imperialism and reaction and the puppet Muscat regime are much disturbed today as they have been in the past that we reject and refuse traitorous settlements and mediation with them and that we refuse anything other than freedom and independence of Oman and liquidation of the foreign presence with all its old and new forms and the establishment of a national democratic regime. They are much disturbed and confused as they have been in the past that we in spite of all difficulties, setbacks, weakness and losses suffered by us we are yet determined to continue the firm and strenuous struggle fully determined to continue the just revolutionary war of our people and that for this we have raised and fluttered amidst our ranks for one and a half years approximately our sound slogan for the re-building and strengthening of our own conditions at all political, ideological, military and organisational levels in preparation for escalating anew the confrontation between us and the enemies of our people and that we, while doing this and heal our wounds in revolutionary silence, are at the same time continuing to wage the struggles with their various arms including the armed struggle and that we are still believing and firmly feeling that the organised revolutionary violence in spite of all its huge hardships, is our basic and correct and effect means for realising our ambitions and making our people get rid of their enemies and expel the British, Iranians and Americans from Oman and that we are still determined as we have been but even more to wage the struggle with all its forms topped by the armed struggle for the establishment of a free, independent and democratic Oman.

Masses of our Omani people and masses of our Arab nation and our friends,

The period of one and a half years for re-building our own revolutionary conditions has realised remarkable successes and accomplishments at the level of promoting the political, military, organisational and ideological conditions of the front. The interim military setback suffered by our conditions at the end of 1975 and beginning of 1976, have had in addition to its clear interim negative effects, also positive effects on the consideration that it was an alarm for us and a valuable occasion for standing in front of the past years of the combative experiment and for studying that experiment and extracting the valuable lessons from it positively and negatively with the scope of revolutionary scientific criticism and to take out the positivism and successes from the

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positivisms and mistakes. The valuable and great lessons obtained by us from our previous experiment would be the strong bases for developing the current and forthcoming practices of our struggle and revolutionary war and the strong bases for making the new progress and new victories in the course of the continuous and fierce conflict between our people and its enemies including the imperialists, Iranian invaders and rulers of Muscat.

We have cut an important distance on the road of completing the essential conditions for escalating the confrontation anew between us and the enemies of the people at all levels and in all fronts and with all cogbative forms depending in all that upon the lessons of the previous experiment and the great support and backing from our militant people. The forthcoming development of the struggle and confrontation between our Omani people and its vanguard the front on one hand and between the Imperialists, Iranian invaders and the @ Busaid family on the other would be this time decisively more comprehensive, assorted, organised, firm and fierce.

We realise clearly that we are fighting in an area of immense importance and more sensitive and in a very complicate and delicate circumstance. Oman means a lot to the imperialists and the capitalist camp in general and particular in connection with the United States of America the leader of world imperialism. This is stemming not from the importance of Oman itself only but in the first place from its position and importance in connection with the Gulf area which is full of oil and huge imperialist interests particularly at this period of time in which the energy crisis is greatening in the world along with the economic and social crises and contradictions of the world capitalist system topped by the major industrial capitalist countries.

The further the energy crisis in the world escalates and the crises of world capitalism heightens the further the importance of the area of Oman and the Gulf increases and heightens in connection with the imperialists. From here we can understand the meaning of the frank and continuously repeated American statements on the entry of the Gulf area within the defensive strategy of the United States of America and on the fact that the Gulf security is not less important in the view of the United States than the security of the countries the NATO itself and on the formation of special military forces for interfering when necessity forbids in order to protect the oilfields and other such statements which frankly constitute an open interference by the American imperialism in the internal affairs of the area peoples.



We do not expect at all that the imperialists and their ally the Shah regime would leave Oman for its people through short-term struggles or confrontations but we have for this to get ready and make thorough preparations for waging a comprehensive and long confrontation to certain extent and very fierce and tough. A confrontation of such type will be imposed upon us certainly by the imperialists and reactionaries and we must be in full preparedness to wage it with braveness and firmness depending in the first place upon the creative forces and vast energies of our people with all its classes and national and democratic groups and also upon the valuable lessons obtained from the experiment of the past years and also upon the justness of our cause and the soundness and firmness of the political line of the revolution and also upon the great support and backing and solidarity from the groups of the revolution at both Arab and international levels and the supporters of freedom, independence, democracy and peace in the world. In accordance with the struggle on this line and with this attitude, our confidence and the confidence of our people is high over the certainty of victory and over the future which confidence is more firm and consolidate today than any time before no matter how great is the size of the sacrifices and difficulties and hardships awaiting us on the road.

Masses of our Omani and Arab peoples, Friends and Supporters of the Revolution,

The Omani revolution is today facing a difficult political circumstance which perhaps it has not faced before at all. On one hand calls are renewed and increased along with contacts and activities for bringing out the project for the so-called Gulf security which project is being planned by the United States of America and the call for it and its execution are being adopted by its tools and major allies in the area in a bid to encircle and liquidate the national movement in the entire area of Oman and the Gulf and in Iran and the Peninsula and to protect the huge oil interests of imperialism in this area. The national movement including the revolution of our people is facing now coordination at the level of internal security amidst all reactionary countries overlooking the Gulf as a first practical step on the road of bringing out the imperialist Gulf security project. The revolution of our Omani people under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman comes undoubtedly in the forefront of the national movement aimed at behind such suspected moves and coordinations.

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On the other hand there increases at this period as well political manoeuvres and pressures with assorted forms for reducing the isolation around the puppet regime in Muscat and giving it further international legitimacy along with the Iranian invasion of our country and the British and American foreign presence. All these conspiratorial pressures of heavy and numerous nature if succeeded in affecting the allies of the Omani revolution in the area or even some or one of them would undoubtedly harm the Omani revolution and its people and militants in one of the most delicate stages being passed by the issue and would push the Omani revolution and the entire national movement in the area steps backward and would extend an outstanding and invaluable service to the imperialist-reactionary plan in the area and the Shah-in-Shah expansionist greeds in the area. Any form of the forms of submission at present in front of the imperialist-reactionary offensive in the area cannot but lead to more and further imperialist-reactionary offensive and with greater pressures and bigger fierceness. In the face of the American-Israeli-Sadat plan for liquidating the Palestinian issue and the American-reactionary plan against the groups of the revolutionary movement in the Gulf and the entire Arabian Peninsula there is not in front of the groups of the Arab revolution other than to pile up their ranks more than any time before and to create superior and superb forms of coordination, solidarity and cohesion between them continuously and to establish a progressive national front in every area of the Arab arena prior to the establishment of the Arab progressive national front and to place under consideration especially at this circumstance that the best means for defence is the attack and not retreat or demonstration of any sign of weakness. The slogan of Arab solidarity and Arab reconciliation is now a reactionary slogan one hundred per cent and does not serve but the interest of the reactionaries and their imperialist masters and cannot lead to anything except the come-back of reactionary hegemony and control over the total Arab political conditions.

Masses of our people and allies and friends of our revolution,  
m While celebrating the 13th anniversary of the glorious 9th June revolution we wish to affirm to the masses of our people and to the masses of the comrade and dear Yemeni people to our people in the struggle and in the difficulties and to the masses of our Arab nation and our friends and allies in the world that we are determined completely to continue the revolution unto the end no matter how great are the difficulties and hardships.

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We on this glorious occasion declare a new in the name of all commands, cadres and bases of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and in the name of our militant Omani people our condemnation of all conspiracies and plans being woven by the forces of imperialism and reaction against the progressive regime in the PDRY and the glorious revolution of 14th October and declare our concrete and firm stand and complete preparedness to struggle and fight jointly against all these conspiracies and for the sake of defending the Yemeni revolution. We also declare anew our high and deep admiration for the principled, steadfast and firm stands by the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, organisation, government and people, ever since the republic was established upto this moment, by the side of the just cause and struggle of our people for expelling the foreign forces and bases and the Iranian invaders from our country and realising independence, freedom and democracy for Oman.

We greet on this occasion the heroic and just struggle of the Palestinian armed revolution and its wonderful steadfastness in the face of the American-Israeli-Sadat liquidatory plan against the Palestinian revolution and Palestinian cause. We also declare our complete stand by the side of the continuation of the revolution and unity of its groups and against all conspiratorial plans and solutions laid down by American imperialism, Israel and Arab reaction and Iranian reaction which aims at destroying the power of the Palestine resistance and the placing of further barriers and chain in front of its just struggle and also at ending the isolation around the traitorous Sadat regime and liquidation of the Palestine issue from the foundation. We hail the stands of the Lebanese national movement and its cohesion and steadfastness with the Palestine revolution against the Israeli invasion of South Lebanon and against the treasons and plots of the fascist isolationist rightwing and also for safeguarding the safety of Lebanon and unity of its territories and also safeguarding of the Palestine resistance.

We also greet the groups of the national and democratic movement in the Arabian Gulf and Peninsula and in the northern part of the Yemen and declare our stand and solidarity with them in their legitimate struggles for confronting the conspiratorial plans faced by the area. We also greet the progressive national movement in the Arab world and declare our firm stand by its side in its struggle against and confrontation of the puppet Sadat reactionary regime and its traitorous steps against the Arab cause.

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We greet the revolutionary movement in Iran and its wonderful heroic struggles and also greet the uprisings of Tibriz, Qum, Teheran Shiraz and other brave Iranian towns and declare our full solidarity with the militant Iranian peoples and their revolutionary vanguards in the extensive and violent revolutionary uprisings the events of which are still being lived today along with their development. We are completely confident that the struggle of the Iranian revolutionary movement and the militant Iranian peoples will be crowned with victory in the near future and the fascist Shah regime, the puppet of American imperialism and the common enemy of our people will be toppled down and a progressive national democratic regime will be established in Iran. The violent revolutionary uprisings witnessed by Iran these days are firm proof of the near end of the regime and the rejection of the Iranian masses completely of the policy of subordination, terrorism, oppression and expansion followed by the Shah's regime in the inside and outside. They are also proof of the solidarity of the masses of Iran and their revolution with our people and its revolution and with the Arab revolutionary movement in its struggle against the imperialist-Israeli-reactionary plans in the area and the policy of expansion, annexation and invasion.

We also declare on this occasion our solidarity with the Eritrean revolution and the Ethiopian revolution and call anew for a peaceful democratic solution between the two revolutions on the basis of self-determination for the people of Eritrea represented by its progressive vanguards and to halt bloodshed between the Eritrean and Ethiopian revolutions continuation of which will only lead to the service of the imperialist-reactionary plan and the service of the aims of the common enemy of the two peoples and two revolutions. We declare anew our stand against the suspected Red Sea security project which is hostile to the hopes and ambitions of the peoples of the area.

We declare on this occasion anew our solidarity with the people of the Red Valley and our stand by the side of self-determination for this people. We greet on this occasion the Arab national regimes, Libya, Iraq, Algeria, Syria and the national and democratic organisations and parties in every Arab country and admire what backing and solidarity they extend to the struggle of our people.

We also greet the community of the friendly socialist countries and highly admire the backing and support extended by them to the cause of our Omani people and to the issues of the Arab nation

in general and calls for solution of the problem between the Socialist republic of Vietnam and Cambodia democratically through direct talks and negotiations on the basis of the just principles introduced by the Socialist Republic of Vietnam for the settlement of the problem between the two countries.

We greet the triumphant revolution of the Afghani people and declare our stand and solidarity with the new progressive democratic regime in Afghanistan whose establishment is regarded as an important gain for the progressive and revolutionary movement in Asia and the world.

We declare on this occasion as well our greetings and full solidarity with the world democratic national liberation movement in Africa, Latin America and in Asia in its escalating struggle against fascism, racism, and neo and old colonialism and against the conspiracies of the United States of America and its central intelligence and its open interferences along with its other French, British and Belgian imperialist partners for obstructing the movement of the peoples of these areas and weaving conspiracies, intrigues and counter-coups.

We also greet on the 13th anniversary of the glorious Omani revolution of 9th June all peoples, regimes, groups, forces, gatherings and personalities loving freedom, independence, justice, democracy, progress and peace in the world and declare our solidarity in full with them and admiration for the backing extended to our people's revolution and the issues of our Arab nation.

Long live combative solidarity between the groups of the progressive Arab national revolutionary movement. Long live the Arab nation. Long live internationalist solidarity and friendship between peoples. Long live solidarity between the socialist countries and the national democratic liberation movements and world and progressive parties in the world. Long live solidarity between the groups of the revolutionary movement in the Arabian Gulf and Peninsula. Long live the relations of deep and firm combative solidarity between the Yemeni and Omani peoples. Long live firm combative solidarity between the revolutions of 14th October and 9th June. Long live the relations of firm comradely solidarity between the Unified NFPO and the PFLO. Long live the 13th anniversary of the glorious 9th June revolution. Let the just struggle for a free and independent democratic and united Oman achieve victory.

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