

DISCOVER YOURSELF FOR TOTAL INDEPENDENCE!

ACIS is an initiative founded to address the challenge of ideological refocusing of the struggle for socialist transformation of Nigeria and Africa.

If we are to do something about our society with the aim of changing it for good, we must understand human and society in general; and then, human in Nigeria history in particular. If this is not done, so much efforts will lead to so many frustrations and there will be little or no advancement in our development and human progress.

Those who want to struggle for change in Nigeria need to understand the real cause of exploitation and oppression. They need to know that the backwardness, underdevelopment, and the anti-poor policies of privatisation and deregulation adopted by successive regimes in the country are a function of social relations of production in Nigeria as dictated by the global capitalist order.

Though natural endowments can be a factor and a potential in the development of any human society, but the most primary factor is the relationship in the process of production between the producers of wealth (working people and the poor) and the profiteers/ looters of the collective wealth. If the concern of profiteers is mainly to exploit the resources for a few corrupt elites at the expense of a deprived majority, then the concern of the working people should be to collectively own such resources and develop it, on the basis of social and economic planning of production (socialism), for the benefit of ALL. Hence, the question should be about who owns POLITICAL POWER in the control of our political and socio-economic system?

Therefore, the struggle for change can only be meaningful if the focus of the working people and the oppressed poor is to UNITE to organise an Alternative Political Party that MUST struggle for POLITICAL POWER, with which to bring about a social system that will use our resources in the interests of our society, and will operate a social ownership of production based on planning and sharing of the proceeds of production in such ways as to satisfy the needs of the people and the environment.

What is required in Nigeria and other countries in Africa is not ethnic or religious war, but a revolutionary war, whose goal should be TOTAL LIBERATION FROM CAPITALIST EXPLOITATION & ALL FORMS OF ANTI-POOR POLICIES against the class of local looters and their foreign puppeteers.

Nigerian working people and the oppressed poor must always bear in mind that their mental and philosophical capacity to struggle against all forms of exploitation and oppression remains the ultimate determinant force of change. We can create a New Nigeria and a New Africa whose motivation is the transformation of the human person.

***Educate and Liberate Yourself
Ideologically! Long live Socialism!!***

WHAT WE (in ACIS) MEAN BY THE PEOPLE! Paraphrasing FIDEL CASTRO & FELANIKULAPO KUTI as the MIRROR:

When we speak of the PEOPLE we are not talking about those who live in comfort or those who profit from the looting of our society, who glorify the class of looters, who welcome and obey any repressive regime and impunity in government, and those who prostrate before the rulers of the moment because of selfish gains.

When we speak of the PEOPLE we are not talking about those who will say "we no wan die, we no wan wound, we no wan quench, we no wan go; I get one child, Mama dey for house, Papa dey for house, I wan build house, I don build house; We no wan quench, I wan enjoy, We no wan go, So policeman go slap your face, you no go talk; Army man go whip your yansh, u go dey look like donkey! Dem leave Sorrow, Tears and Blood".

When we speak of STRUGGLE and we mention the PEOPLE we mean the working people and the oppressed masses, those to whom everyone makes promises and who are deceived by all.

We mean the PEOPLE who want a better, more dignified and humane society; who are moved by profound commitment to justice, because they have suffered injustice, humiliation and mockery from every regimes – military & civilian.

We mean the PEOPLE who long for true and upright changes in all aspects of their life; PEOPLE who, to attain their FREEDOM, they believe in themselves and are ready to give even the very last breadth they have to bring about the desired humane society".

THE CHANGE WE SHOULD DESIRE!

- We desire a society that should displace the present unjust order, where the few super-rich reigns in looted wealth, while the majority wallow in sub-human conditions.
- We desire a new society that should guarantee ALL the people the rights and opportunities to meet their NEEDS and DESIRES.
- The change we desire is not just about fulfilment of our material conditions but essentially about building an ethical values that would make the people fearless, just, selfless, contented and dignified.
- Our desired change should prepare us to RESIST all forms of foreign domination and to build friendship with other peoples across the world based on solidarity, mutual respect and humane values.
- We want a new Nigeria and a new Africa whose leadership should not be slave to economic and political dictates of foreign powers.
- We desire a new Nigerian State that shall be driven by collective interests and democratic management of the economy.

THE PEOPLE TO MAKE THE CHANGE!

Without the people, we cannot attain the change we want. When we speak of the people, whether as Nigerian or as African, we mean:

- "the working population [workers, farmers, professionals, traders, artisans, etc) in the formal & informal sectors who are subjected to indecent work conditions and living,
- the millions of youth without education, jobs, and social security.
- Women, aged, physically challenged and all those who are victims of one form of oppression and the other.

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