# Anti-Imperialist Internationalist Front Frente Antiimperialista Internacionalista (FAI)

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#### **Introduction** Who are we?

- Anti-Imperialist Internationalist Front (FAI) is a political organisation that aims at the cohesion of dispersed struggles of individuals and organisations into a common front against imperialism.
- The main guiding principle is internationalism and its development
- The emphasis is on the axis theorypractice in a threefold, mutually reinforcing approach: analysiseducation-action.



#### **Introduction** Who are we not?

- FAI is not a political party, and does not participate in the formal political system.
- FAI is not a platform of organisations.



## Analysis of the imperialism today **Theoretical framework**

- imperialism is a form of capitalist production at specific moment of its historical development, and as such, it reflects class struggle;
- it follows its own internal logic of capitalist development that requires imperial expansion, and does not depend on the will of its historical actors;
- the processes of domination are inevitable means of expansion, and not an end in itself;
- imperialism is a global system rather than "competition between imperialisms" striving for planetary domination, led by the world hegemon (USA) and its Western allies.





### Analysis of the imperialism today **Practical theoretical points**

- Capitalist logic of accumulation at the root of the imperialist system
- Mechanisms of wealth transfer (unequal exchange, surplus drain) resulting with hierarchy of states (rich on the top, poor at the bottom)
- Economic mechanisms are the base; political, cultural and military mechanisms are the superstructure
- Systemic forces reinforce the system; anti-systemic forces transform it





# Analysis of the imperialism today **Application of the theory**

- Neoliberal era overcame the stagflation of the previous Keynesian era, but further exaggerated capitalist contradictions
- Akin to Keynesian New Deal after WW2, the kickstarter of the new round of accumulation is expressed in the Green New Deal
- The objective of GND is not to overcome the ecologically unequal exchange but to recover economical growth and to apply political pressure onto competing states
- "Ecocide" as new "humanitarian intervention"





# Priorities in the fight against the imperialism

- exploitation
- strategy of aggression of the USA

• The measures of the imperialist system to overcome the crisis, based on the "green", digital and the transformation of the energy sector that will worsen the quality of life of the labouring masses of the core states, and cause aggressions against the countries that resist the

• Transformation of the strategic alliances to take on the hegemon's competitors, in the form of AUKUS to maintain this offensive. The transformation of NATO as an instrument of the

• The enormous void, confusion and dispersion of the people of the left and their inability to organise resistance in the absence of a clear orientation that contradicts the hegemonic discourses and in the face of the absolute domination of information technologies, easily controllable, as opposed to the traditional socialisation and physical contact between people



# **Practical anti-imperialist work** Regular activities

- On the global level FAI is focusing its efforts on solidarity with ongoing resistances to imperialism, and support of victims of imperialism
- Locally, it focuses on the role of the Spanish state in the global imperialist system
- FAI originated from the citizen initiative called Forum Against Imperialist War that established People's Tribunal Against the Imperialist War and NATO
  - Two sessions of the Tribunal were held before FAI was constituted, and the third one was organised under FAI's logo.
- FAI organised three anti-imperialist conferences (Jornadas Antiimperialistas) aimed at developing an anti-imperialist action plan for the crisis period that the system tried to conceal and attribute to the emergence of the coronavirus. Due to restrictions, the meetings were conducted via videoconferencing.



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# **Practical anti-imperialist work** Ongoing campaigns

- "70 years of war. No to NATO. Bases out!" with objective to close NATO bases in Spain
- "Sovereign Venezuela–Bolivarian Venezuela" in support of the Bolivarian transformation of Venezuela and the resistance to the attempts of destabilisation
- "Global Campaign for the Return to Palestine" in solidarity with the people of Palestine and their right of return.
- "International Day of US Crimes Against Humanity" to promote of 9th of August, the day of Nagasaki bombing, as a day to denounce imperialist crimes against the oppressed people
- "Western Sahara-The silenced War" in support of Saharaui people, and
- "Nicaragua choses: sovereignty" in support of the Sandinista resistance to imperialism.
- "It's time to break the blockade against Cuba", in support of the Cuban socialist revolution.







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### Resources

#### Material related to the presentation

#### • Who are we?

https://frenteantiimperialista.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Concepto-del-Frente-Final9Ene18\_ING-v229Nov18.pdf

#### Theory and Analysis

https://frenteantiimperialista.org/fai/documentacion/documentos/fundamentos-politicos-del-frente/ political-foundations/ https://frenteantiimperialista.org/que-es-el-imperialismo/

https://frenteantiimperialista.org/que-es-el-imperialismo/ https://frenteantiimperialista.org/intercambio-desigual-y-sus-consecuencias/ https://frenteantiimperialista.org/intercambio-ecologicamente-desigual-y-el-nuevo-trato-verde/

#### Activities

https://frenteantiimperialista.org/iii-tribunal-permanente-de-los-pueblos-contra-la-guerra-imperialistay-la-otan/

<u>https://frenteantiimperialista.org/fai/planes-de-accion/jornadas-imperialismo-y-coronacrisis/</u> https://frenteantiimperialista.org/fai/planes-de-accion/campanas/