

Latin America: Call for the Continental Day for Democracy and Against Neoliberalism

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CONTINENTAL DAY FOR DEMOCRACY AND AGAINST NEOLIBERALISM

After a decade from the defeat of the FTAA - Free Trade Area of the Americas -, our continent faces a new neoliberal offensive.

This offensive is clear in the radicalization of the different forms of appropriation and plunder of the rights of peoples and attacks on indigenous peoples, peasants, workers, women, youth, as well as racial, cultural and sexual diversities, which after struggles and resistance regained their ability to lead the processes of change in the region.

Moreover, the coups in Haiti (2004), Honduras (2009), Paraguay (2012) and the ongoing coup in Brazil, show that the market which dominates our lives wants to end the recent transformation process carried out by the people, which resulted in more rights for everyone, greater social inclusion, sovereignty over its territories and common goods and more democratic forms and tools for the political exercise and popular participation.

We are participants and heirs of the struggle against military regimes in Latin America and the Caribbean and against State institutionalized violence, that throughout the continent are rising against the agenda of free trade, privatization, exclusion and poverty represented in the defeated neocolonial FTAA project, seeking to build answers for "Another World is Possible". Today we say: we will not allow in our continent a new cycle of dictatorships, imposed by executive, judicial and legislative powers at the service of the interests of capitalist market.

The principles of solidarity and internationalism unite us, as well as the certainty of the need of a systemic transformation against capitalism, patriarchy, colonialism and racism.

It is a new moment to resume America's people united in action to oppose those who insist in carrying out their agenda of destruction, disintegration and exclusion.

We call the diversity of organizations, social movements and expressions committed to social transformation to advance this interlinking process and to take to the streets of Our America on November 4, 2016 to shout with one voice:

No stepping back!

We, the people, continue to struggle for integration, self-determination and sovereignty, against free trade and transnational companies!

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Organizations initially joining the call: Trade Union Confederation of the Americas (TUCA), Latin American Coordination of Rural Organizations / La Via Campesina (CLOC-VC), World March of

Women (WMW), Friends of the Earth Latin America and the Caribbean (FoE), ALBA Movements, Center Martin Luther King, Cuban Chapter of ALBA Movements, Jubilee South / Americas, PIT-CNT Uruguay, Public Services International (PSI), Campaign to Dismantle the Power of Transnational Corporations and Stop Impunity.
