



Afrikan Liberation Day 1974: Part of the crowd of 10,000 who demonstrated in support of Afrikan Liberation, and for the destruction of Racism, Capitalism, and Imperialism.

Struggle for Ideological Clarity . . .

Afrikan Liberation Day and ALSC Conference on Racism & Imperialism!

The Afrikan Liberation Support Committee called a conference on Racism & Imperialism on May 23 & 24, the two days preceding Afrikan Liberation Day. The ALSC called on "everyone involved in Black Liberation" to come to this "decisive conference for the theoretical direction of our movement."

Workshop and panel participants included Dawolu Gene Locke, ALSC National Chairperson and Imamu Amiri Baraka. Also Owusu Sadaukai, Bibi Amina Baraka, Stokely Carmichael, Abdul Alkalimat, Akbar Muhammad Ahmed, Kwadwo Akpan, Nelson Johnson, Ron Daniels, Queen Mother Moore, among others.

The struggle for Nationalism, Pan-Afrikanism, and Socialism has reached a stage when we must insist on ideological clarity and the conference afforded those present the opportunity to clearly differentiate between the various theoretical positions put forth by militant activists in this country.

There were workshops considering the questions of: Labor and the Unemployed, Youth and Education, Women in the Struggle, Justice, Police and Prisons, and Politics. There were also two major panel discussions with ideological statements from each panelist along with questions and dialogue with the members of the audience.

The Afrikan Liberation Support Committee is a developing truly progressive Black United Front made up of organizations and proponents of varying ideological tendencies working together around the objective of Afrikan Liberation. It was at the panel discussions, especially, that these tendencies were exposed. Both the statements from the panelists and the questions and responses from the audience (along with the modes of dress and behavior) brought out evidences of Revolutionary thought. And its opposite. On the counterrevolutionary side, elitist, opportunistic, atavistic, feudalistic, cultist, dogmatic, methaphysical, chauvinistic, and

mechanical materialistic tendencies and thought, were also in evidence.

It is obvious that conferences of this type are absolutely necessary in our struggle for ideological clarity and that the ALSC Conference on Racism and Imperialism was a progressive move toward the building of a stronger vanguard revolutionary ideology for the ALSC.

On May 25, Afrikan Liberation Day, ten thousand Black People from the entire eastern half of the u.s. gathered in Malcolm X park for a march which went through part of D.C.'s Black community (which actually is the whole city) and past the White House where 100 demonstrators (the legal limit) had been picketing all morning, exposing Nixon and his crimes against Black People and urging that we "Dump the Chump." The White House demonstrators joined the march which continued back to Malcolm X Park where speakers, Dawolu Gene Locke, Imamu Baraka, James Turner and Bill Lucy reiterated our attack of racism and imperialism, our pursuit of the impeachment of Nixon, exposure of the Energy Hoax, and an end to police repression.

The conference and march were well attended by Congress of Afrikan People local organizations from Albany, NewArk, South Bend, Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Baltimore, Detroit, Bronx, Wilmington as well as members of potential chapters from Camden, Gary, Cleveland, D.C., Elkhart, and Jersey City.

The Afrikan Liberation Support Committee's ideological thrust is moving progressively toward an ideology inclusive of Nationalism, Pan-Afrikanism, and Socialism. There are many minor and some major ideological differences that still remain. But discussions such as those that took place at the conference will enable the Afrikan Liberation Support Committee to function as a progressive united front based on the objective fact that the World Afrikan Liberation struggle is the key to a new world social order.



IMAMU AMIRI BARAKA, chairman of the Congress of Afrikan People, and BIBI AMINA BARAKA, C.A.P. Social Organization Work Council chairwoman, were among the marchers.