DECLARATION OF THE PAN AFRICANIST

MOVEMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF AZANIA

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Preamble

The significant portion of the social development of our country began with the advent of European Imperialism which engulfed the Americas, Australasia, the Asian continent and Africa disrupting the social order of these areas and stripping them of sovereignity.

The effect of this imperial policy by the Europeans led to the colonisation of the people of Asia, Africa, America and Australasia.

This process of colonisation was preceded by struggles for land which the European won because of their superior weapons.

The people of these continents in their respective countries began to organise politically and militarily to fight colonialism and as we stand poised for the 21 st century many colonies have been liberated and granted independence. In other countries such as Australasia, Americas, the colonialist pursued a policy of liquidation of the indigeneous people by various means including poisoning, Azania remains the only colony that has not been liberated.

However, colonialism in occupied Azania has over the years developed to be internal colonisation of the African people by a white settler minority.

Political control no longer rest with British imperial power but with the white settler minority. However, economic control lies in Britain, West Germany, U.S.A. and Japan.

THE NATURE OF OUR STRUGGLE

The struggle by Africans is directed against dispossession national oppression and economic exploitation and therefore is a struggle for national self determination of the Λ frican people.

The struggle against dispossession of land and national oppression is a struggle led by the African working class to ensure democracy in our society and the redistribution of resources, particularily the land.

In a nutshell our struggle against colonialism is a struggle against national oppression and capitalism, we therefore believe that it is the historic task of the African working class to mobilize all sectors of the African population against oppression and Capitalism.

OUR PRINCIPLES

We believe that our struggle for national self-determination should be guided by the following principles:

NON-RACIALISM

We believe that there is only one human race and that the physical differences within the human species are climatological and geographical and therefore can not and should not be used in any manner to infer that any human being is superior or inferior. We believe that Azanians should struggle for a society where race has no place.

SEXUAL EQUALITY

We believe that the existence of different sexes is only for biological purposes and that no discrimination in the political, social and economic life should be based on sex.

NON-COLLABORATION

We believe that the African masses are a vehicle for change and that our people should not collaborate with our oppressors in the oppression of the African people.

ANTI-IMPERIALISM

We believe that resources of our country both human and material should be used for the benefit of Azanian citizens not imperialist countries. We therefore commit ourselves to fight imperialism in all its manifestations.

OUR VISION OF A FREE AZANIA

Flowing from our understanding of the nature of our struggle and our principles, we declare that a free Azania shall be as follows:

POLITICALLY

The Azanian society shall have a unitary constitution that shall enshrine the following.

1. HUMAN RIGHTS

The constitution shall enshrine both individual and collective rights, However, the highest guarantee, the constitution shall give will be individual right.

2. NON-RACIALISM

The constitution shall enshrine the principle of non-racialism and propagation of racism shall be punishable by law.

3. RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Religious freedom shall be guaranteed by the constitution and all religious institutions shall not infringe any of the human rights enshrined in the constitution of the land

4. FRANCHISE

Any citizen above the age of 21 shall have the righ to vote and to stand for elections in any of our political institutions.

SEXUAL EQUALITY

Sexual discrimination shall be punishable by law in the social economic and political life and sexual equality shall be enshrined in the constitution.

ECONOMY

A free Azania shall pursue an economic system that-

- 1. Shall ensure that the labour power of the working masses shall not be exploited.
 - 2. Shall ensure that all major sectors of the economy are controlled by the state for the well being of the economy and the citizens of Azania. This means transport, electricity supply, mining and water supply shall be in the hands of the state.
 - 3. The economy shall be efficiently run to meet the need of our society in changing circumstances not profits for individuals.
 - 4. Encourage and set up co-operatives in both the agricultural and industrial sectors.

SOCIALLY

The state in a free Azania shall have the following social functions:

Culture

That state shall ensure that the cultural needs of our people are met by providing recreational facilities.

Housing

That provision of housing shall be the duty of the state and the state shall ensure their all families are decently housed at a minimum cost.

Entertainment

The state shall ensure that the all citizens have access to entertainment centres that shall assist in the development of the new society.

Social Welfare

The welfare of all senior citizens including housing, food and their health shall be the responsibility of the state as well as disabled persons including mentally handicapped persons.

HEALTH

All health facilities shall be provided free to all citizens by the state and as well as medical care.

EDUCATION

- 1. No child under the age of l6yrs shall be outside the institutions of learning.
- 2. Education shall be provided free by the state to ensure that economic 'social and political needs of a free Azania are met.
- 3. Education shall be for the development of society by developing the individual talents and abilities.
- 4. Illiteracy shall be combated through state funded programmes.

TRADE UNIONS

Independent trade unions shall be allowed by law as watchdogs of the interests of the working class to ensure that fruits of their labour is not exploited for the encrichment of individuals.