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1 Introduction

1.1 Nkrumah warned us about neo-colonialism

This paper focuses on the *neo-colonial* phase of Afrika's history i.e. the phase that we are currently in and the phase of imperialist domination that we must overcome if we are to be free. Over 40 years ago Osageyfo Kwame Nkrumah gave us a thorough explanation of the *neo-colonial* dilemma confronting us as a people. He explained that *Neo-colonialism* is simultaneously a period in Afrika's history of exploitation by imperialism and a varied set of cunningly deceptive techniques designed to control, confuse and contain Afrikan people while our resources are being stolen. He explained:

"If we do not formulate plans for unity and take active steps to form political union, we will soon be fighting and warring among ourselves with imperialists and colonialists standing behind the screen and pulling vicious wires, to make us cut each other's throats for the sake of their diabolical purposes in Afrika." (Nkrumah, 1967, p. 9)

Neo-colonial techniques take different specific forms depending on their circumstances, but their essence - using Afrikan agents to overtly or covertly assist imperialism's theft of resources from Afrikan people - remains the same.

Nkrumah at the OAU



Surprisingly, perhaps Nkrumah's analysis is still as true and relevant today as it was 40 years ago. Indeed, many of his predictions surrounding the enslavement of the Afrikan continent and the genocidal catastrophes that would be suffered by our people if we did not defeat *neo-colonialism* have now come

to pass. If we continue to fall short of removing **neo-colonialism** from the lives of Afrikan people both in Afrika around the world, the genocidal scale of suffering currently being experienced by our people can only get worse. Our time for action is short; if we are serious about Afrikan liberation we *must* organise to deal with the issue of **neo-colonialism** – we have no other choice.

1.2 Our ignorance of neo-colonialism: an aid to its survival

Nkrumah's message was and continues to be extremely disconcerting. Perhaps this is one of the reasons why some of our people seem to shy away from it, but his message is not all gloom and doom. In his analysis Nkrumah also demonstrated that **neo-colonialism** is the final historical phase of imperialism's subjugation of Afrikan people (Nkrumah, 1974, p. 1). Therefore the most important task before us as Afrikan people, living in this epoch of history, is to defeat **neo-colonialism**. When we defeat **neo-colonialism**, we will usher in a new phase of history that will eventually lead to the freedom of Afrika and other externally controlled parts of the world. If we fail in this, our historic duty, and the **neo-colonial** system falls by default, we could find ourselves re-enslaved by a new or reconstituted oppressor.

When we were oppressed under slavery and colonialism our ancestors knew it; they knew that they had to remove these oppressive systems in order to be free. It is a massive contradiction that despite the fact that we are actually living in the **neo-colonial** phase of history, most of us do not know what it is. The problem this poses is that if we do not know it, we cannot understand it; if we cannot understand it, we cannot consciously do anything to challenge it; if we cannot do anything to challenge it, we cannot get rid of it; if we cannot get rid of it, we will remain stuck in it; if we remain stuck in **neo-colonialism**, Afrika cannot be liberated and we will not be a free and self determining people. The critical task before us therefore, is to raise our collective level of consciousness of the nature of **neo-colonialism** and how to defeat it in Afrikan communities everywhere.

1.3 Distractions to our understanding of neo-colonialism

Not only are we collectively ignorant about **neo-colonialism** and how ridding ourselves of it is the key to our liberation, but some of us are in a state of denial - actively avoiding understanding **neo-colonialism**. This is a particularly problem, because it is one level of ignorance not to know something, but it is an even greater level of ignorance to deny the truth of things that we do not know. An even deeper problem is that knowingly or unknowingly, some of us are actively distracting our people from developing a clear understanding of **neo-colonialism** - choosing instead to propagate pseudo-liberation ideas.

There are those for instance, who claim that our melanin is going to mystically connect with our spirits through our 'third eye' and when this happens we will somehow be liberated. It does not seem to occur to them that we were full of melanin when European imperialism came to our shores some 500 years ago. Our abundance of melanin did not prevent them from stealing our people, land and resources whilst committing genocide against us in the process. The truth is that there is nothing that melanin can do now that it did could do then. If anything, our melanin is now less intact than it was then due to the rape of our

foremothers during slavery and colonialism, rendering it even less 'useful' as a potential liberation tool – melanin will not liberate us.

Another set of pseudo-liberationists are the businessmen doubling as 'medical doctors' and 'herbalists' who come to liberate us through the health medium. Like all businessmen, their objective is to make profits – the more the better. They come to sell us magic potions that they say will cure our ills. They keep all of the profits for themselves whilst they remain silent on how to extinguish the **capitalist corporations**, at the centre of **neo-colonialism**, that sell us the poison foods in the first place. In reality these businessmen need the continued sale of poison foods so that they can continue to make profits from the sale of their 'remedies'. Regardless of whether or not their 'remedies' work, their role is really to profit from **neo-colonialism's** poison foods problem, not to solve it.

There are also the pseudo-liberationists that give us the impression that the courts are the route to Afrikan freedom. They imagine that individual 'super lawyers' can go into imperialism's courts with such a thorough understanding of the enemy's law that they can outsmart and defeat the enemy in their own terrain. They ignore the fact that the state has the power to completely crush any individual regardless of how well they argue their case. They do not seem to connect with the fact that no court in the history of humanity has ever freed an oppressed people. Nor do they seem to recognise the fact that no parliament (i.e. the maker of laws) in the history of humanity has ever freed an oppressed people. The simple truth is that demonstrating how clever we are in the enemy's courts will never free Afrikan or any other oppressed people.

These represent just a sample of the pseudo-liberation ideas propagated within the Afrikan community. There are many others – too many for a comprehensive analysis of them to be carried out in this document. The more of these misleading 'liberation' experiences we go through the more they disorientate us, sap our motivation for struggle and add to our collective confusion. Pseudo-liberationists are sometimes advocated by sincere sisters and brothers genuinely doing their best to try to unravel the oppressive situation that we find ourselves in. However, regardless of the sincerity of their advocates, the pseudo-liberation ideas, theories and practices lead us down a dead end rather than to freedom. None of them confront the fundamentally crucial problem of combating and defeating **neo-colonialism**.

1.4 Overview of approach

This paper offers an analysis of the shifting operation of **neo-colonialism** in our time. It briefly outlines how the oligarchic core of **neo-colonialism** is organised around a few ultra rich elite families motivated by power and greed. It identifies, in simplistic form, the methodology that is used by the oligarchies at the centre of **neo-colonialism** use to infiltrate and subdue national parliaments. It highlights corporate capitalism's anti-Afrikan debt trap **neo-colonial** containment scam, administered via the **IMF** and the **World Bank**. It makes mention of the loss of credibility of these institutions along with the challenges that

have emerged to their anti-Afrikan debt trap scam from China and South America. All of these phenomena have contributed to the declining power capitalist corporations and the nations at the of **neo-colonial** centre that host them.

Finally, the paper describes the way in which the current crisis of capitalism has forced **neo-colonialism** to re-arrange its centre in a desperate bid to survive. It illustrates how the **neo-colonial** system is in the process of transforming itself from a system centred on the debt trap scam administered by the **IMF** and **World Bank**, to an international 'legalised' system for the containment of nations, administered entirely by the **WTO**. The fundamental importance of Afrika to the **neo-colonial** system's survival is confirmed by the appointment of the greatest Uncle Tom in the history of humanity to the presidency of US Satan by his Uncle Sam. His appointment represents the soft front of the genocidal assault against Afrika, with the attempted imposition of the US Satan **Africom** military programme representing the hard one. The 'good' cop (Obama) 'bad' cop (Africom) assault against Afrika in this time of **neo-colonial** crisis is a tacit admission that it is the systematic, ongoing and relentless exploitation of the abundant wealth of Afrika that fundamentally holds the whole **neo-colonial** system together.

2 Afrika's enemy and its make believe democracy

2.1 The inner workings of the neo-colonial core

For 500 years, the families at the centre of imperialism have organised social, political and economic structures around themselves for the purpose of stealing Afrikan and other people's resources. Their antics have imposed three distinct phases of history on Afrika: slavery, colonialism and **neo-colonialism**. In the **neo-colonial** phase of Afrikan history, imperialism has introduced an integrated global system so powerfully constructed that it is now able to subdue any nation-state. Imperialism - led by US Satan – currently operates by exploiting Afrikan people through a web of interlocking **capitalist corporations** controlled by a few ultra wealthy elite family oligarchies (Amin, 2008, p. 1; Jackson, 1975, p. 97).

The oligarchies are assisted in their genocidal scale theft programmes by a set of global capitalist killer institutions that subdue Afrikan nation-states in order to maximise profits. The profits are hoarded by the few greedy ultra wealthy elite families, supported by an equally greedy, but slightly less powerful webbed network of **capitalist corporation** executive board members, each holding multiple directorships (Monbiot, 2000, p. 302-330).

"The oligarchy which is the social face and dominant ideological forum of hegemonic capitalism, comes into being in the final phase of over-accumulation of maximisation of profit and intensified exploitation of surplus-value. It comprises those capitalists who because of (a) the great proportion of the vital means of production that they own and (b) their personal wealth, exercise unquestioned dominance over the options and aims of the accumulation process." (Zeigler, 1981, p. 24)

Although their prominence is indicative of the latter stages of **neo-colonialism**, the power of the oligarchies is nonetheless immense. There is little doubt that the ultra wealthy elite families are in total charge of the whole **neo-colonial** process. The following example illustrates the way in which they maintain their iron fisted control over the corporate system of capitalist world domination, which form the core of the oligarchies at the centre of the anti-Afrikan **neo-colonial** system. A former Swiss member of parliament explains how:

“... the most powerful pharmaceutical trust in the world, Hoffman-La Rouch SA of Basle, belongs to three families, the Hoffmans, the Oeris and the Sachers ... The general manager of Hoffman-La Roche is a man called Adolf W. Jann. None of his sons has a directorship, but the heads of the three families all have seats on the board. This system means that none of the managers, however ambitious, can ever contest their omnipotence. Astronomic though his salary may be, the manager is never more than an employee of the ruling families ... There is no real movement between the closed world of the top management and that of the ultra-suspicious oligarchs.” (Zeigler, 1981, p. 25/5)

The elite family oligarchies maintain a tight inner network strong enough to dominate corporate capitalism’s executive boards. They form the inner circle of a concealed organisational structure comprised of exclusive concentric circles; power moves from the inner circle outwards. They achieve this by retaining the power to rid themselves of executives who do not fall in line with their agenda, whilst keeping the corporate structure in tact; the overt and covert corporation structures take care of the outer levels.

Elite family members and board members network to occupy virtually all powerful positions in their capitalist killer institutions. These institutions include: **capitalist corporations**, state utilities and national and international governmental mechanisms. The occupation is all secretly done from behind the scenes. These clandestine networks are imperialism’s hidden masters who, along with military and intelligence agencies, secretly make up its invisible government (Nkrumah, 1974, p. 240).

2.2 Neo-colonial control of national parliaments

Through their corporations and their paid agents, the professional lobbyists, the oligarchies infiltrate government by placing their own people into government positions using bribes, pay offs, behind the scenes corporate government appointments etc. (Sampson, 1973, p. 262). The corporate capitalists are subtle and clandestine in the methods that they use to subdue national parliaments.

Using their control of huge numbers of property, finance, industrial and commercial companies the **capitalist corporations** target MP’s and evaluate their political potential. They then seduce chosen MP’s to operate as their agents by offering them seats on one of their management boards or employers’ associations – naturally, these jobs carry large salaries. This facility gives corporate capitalists tremendous scope for corruption because their bribery portfolio includes lots of:

“... highly paid posts on the management boards of the banking empires, property companies, armament industries, multi-national industrial and commercial companies ... Any [MP], whatever his social background, his professional experience or his personal capabilities, can become a millionaire the moment he is elected ...” (Zeigler, 1981, p. 109).

Often the corporate capitalists will safeguard the alleged ‘integrity’ of corrupt MP’s by delaying appointments to their millionaire posts until after they have served their time in office – a kind of differed gratification for their dishonest, underhand and evil undertakings.

Corporate capitalism knows that it will never be able to achieve implementation of the type of anti-people laws that it seeks in a truly democratic process. This subtle underhand form of corruption is therefore part of its strategy for deceptively and dishonestly achieving a level of internal control over parliaments. It allows the capitalists corporations to dictate their self styled business laws and policies to the people of the subdued nations. Corruption is therefore used as a means of getting its unjust agendas passed by national parliaments with minimum fuss. This dishonest methodology is particularly useful to them because it gives their veiled despotic tactics and the corrupt laws that flow from them, the appearance of being democratic.

2.3 Secrecy and deception: the currency of neo-colonialism

Neo-colonialism’s corrupt core is reinforced via a web of secret negotiations and agreements involving corporate capitalism’s international groups and networks operating in collusion with national and local government structures. The corporate capitalists go out of their way to ensure that there is a complete absence of democratic scrutiny of their activities. They deliberately speed their secret shady proposals through national parliaments before the masses are in a position to understand the damage that is being done to them. They also engage in calculated misinformation processes specifically designed to make capitalist groups, networks and institutions look good - with anybody opposing their hidden agenda of dirty tricks being made to look bad.

Intense secrecy surrounds the identities of many of these groups, so that the corporate capitalist executives can hide their dirty tricks campaigns behind an anonymous web of international capitalist networks. None of these secret networks are accountable to national electorates and none of them allow the general public to know what they are really up to. The corporate executives come together in mixed groups giving themselves official sounding group titles. Each executive appears on different permutations of their corporate clubs/institutions. Through these clubs, they give themselves responsibility for: (i) drawing up the various versions of multi-lateral agreement plans; (ii) lobbying national politicians and other interest groups in support of those plans; (iii) passing those plans through national parliaments and; (iv) adjudicating breaches of the same trading rules which they have created in order to benefit themselves.

The following are a sample of some of the more obvious anti-democratic capitalist clubs and institutions that co-ordinate the centre of **neo-colonialism**: **Group of 8 (G8)**; **International Monetary Fund (IMF)**; **International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)**; **World Trade Organisation (WTO)**; General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT)[Now defunct]; European Union (EU); European Round Table of Industrialists (ERT); Union of Industrial & Employers Federation of Europe 9 (UIEFE); International Chambers of Commerce (ICC); Trans Atlantic Business Dialogue (TABD); North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA); Coalition of Service Industries (CSI) (Monbiot, 2000, p. 302-330). There are also many other groups hidden deeper behind the scenes (Coleman, 1997, p. 254-267).

3 The neo-colonial debt trap scam

3.1 The Bretton Woods twins – IMF and World Bank: tools of entrapment

The **capitalist corporations** dominate the world's economy and spearhead the **neo-colonial** attack against Afrikan people (Sampson, 1973, p. 265). They grow larger through stealing other people's wealth, mergers, cross boarder 'acquisitions' and cross boarder financial flows – hence their need to control the governments within those boarders. The **IMF** and **World Bank**, sometimes referred to as the **Bretton Woods twins** are the capitalist killer institutions that shape the political, economic, social and technological environments that the **capitalist corporations** need to thrive. They use their power to ensure that Afrikan **neo-colonial governments** submit to the will of the **capitalist corporations**. The **IMF** and the **World Bank** do this by administering **neo-colonialism's** debt trap scam. Meanwhile, their true anti-Afrikan resource thieving role is deliberately disguised under the bogus title 'multi-lateral aid agencies'.

Economic 'aid' is really corporate capitalism's code name for ultra high interest loans specifically formulated to cripple the economies of Afrikan and other **neo-colonised** nations. The real purpose of the so called 'aid' and the 'conditions' that accompany it is threefold: firstly, to extract the people's wealth so as to make profit for capitalism's corporate investors; secondly, to chain **neo-colonial governments** into agreements which keep them powerless in the face of the corporate capitalists so that they can be easily controlled and manipulated and; thirdly, to reduce the **neo-colonial government's** spending so that more money is available to pay the alleged debts. When a high interest loan is granted via the **Bretton Woods twins**, all of the profit is extracted from the **neo-colony** in the form of scheduled repayments. However, in addition to the profit, the loan is designed to enable the extraction of a substantial extra amount on top - it is the 'extra on top' that creates the **neo-colony's** crippling national debt.

The job of the **Bretton Woods twins** is to enforce the payment of the profit plus the 'extra on top'. They structure the debt and the 'extra on top' in such a way that no matter how good the **neo-colony** is at making repayments, at the end of any given financial period, the **neo-colony** owes more than it did at the beginning. Then in a vain attempt to pay off the debt the **neo-colony** depletes its international reserves.

Then like a 'drug addict' the *neo-colony* is reduced to begging for more loans to pay off old loans and finds itself caught in the *neo-colonial* debt trap - the more it pays, the more it owes.

Capitalist Killer Institutions



The analogy of the 'drug pusher' and the 'drug addict' can have some value in explaining the power relationship that exists between the *Bretton Woods twins* and *neo-colonial governments*. For the 'pusher' it is good business to provide free samples on which users can get 'hooked'. In a similar way the loan system makes the *neo-colonial government* dependant on the loans, rather than on its own efforts. The *neo-colonial government* like the 'addict' becomes subject to a kind of 'enslavement', unable to operate effectively until it gets its next 'fix'. In some respects, the psychological blow of an end to the supply of loans will be as difficult for the *neo-colonial government* as that faced by the 'addict' deprived of drugs. The irony of the situation is the only reason why the 'drugs' or loans are missed at all is because they have been previously sampled. The situation is then worsened by the fact that the money from new loans does not even go to the *neo-colony*. Instead, it goes from one banker's books to pay off alleged debts on another banker's books. Only the liability for the debt, each time with its 'extra on top', is retained by the *neo-colony* (Nkrumah, 1974, p. 242-4; Payer, 1973, p. 211)

A repeating cycle of ever increasing debt develops which is caused by the need to make repayments that are increasingly beyond the *neo-colony's* capacity to fulfil. Over time the repeating cycle creates a massive level of so called debt which becomes too great for the *neo-colony* to able to pay off. The outcome is a kind of national peonage with the *neo-colony* becoming enslaved to the *IMF* and *World Bank*. They use their powers to arrange for the *capitalist corporations* to take whatever capital from the *neo-colony*, effectively leaving it destitute.

This means that there is no capital available for the **neo-colonial government** to invest internally. The **neo-colonial government** does not therefore have the resources to put projects into place that will make the lives of the people better. The resulting impotence of the **neo-colonial government**, coupled with an ever increasing debt burden represents a double blow for the people's quality of life. Virtually every Afrikan so called government has been entrapped in this way.

3.2 Unreasonable loan 'conditions' that cripple the neo-colony

On top of all of this, the **IMF** and **World Bank** use the desperation of the 'loan addicted' Afrikan **neo-colonial governments** to force them to submit to their completely unreasonable 'conditions' as a basis for receiving the high interest loans that are designed to further cripple them. The loan 'conditions', which are part of corporate capitalism's containment strategy, cut the basic amenities and services available to the people in the **neo-colonies**. They are designed to: (i) take spending decisions out of the hands of the **neo-colonial government** - effectively handing the running of the country over to the **IMF** and the **World Bank**; (ii) tying the **neo-colony** into trading agreements which are detrimental to its economy and; (iii) forcing the **neo-colony** to subsidise corporate capitalism's investments in its territory (Danaher, 1994, p. 29).

For instance, one of the usual conditions is that the **IMF**, **World Bank** and other institutional lenders get the right to meddle in the **neo-colonial government's** internal finances. The **neo-colony** is forced to give up confidential national economic information to over paid **IMF** and **World Bank** sponsored 'advisors'. This then allows the **IMF** and the **World Bank** to 'review' the government's national economic plan. These institutions then use that confidential information to force the government to override its own national plan and replace it with plans that increase the profits of the corporate capitalists whilst further impoverishing Afrikan and other oppressed people (Nkrumah, 1974, p. 243; Hasan, 1987, p. 44).

Their stipulations invariably involve the cutting of public expenditure which adversely affects the quality of life of the nation's people. In practice, this means reducing government spending in areas crucial to any country's development such as: education services; health services; social services; road building; building of homes; state assisted farming projects; electricity generation etc. The people worst affected are also the most vulnerable i.e. women, youth, disabled and elderly. The devastation caused in Afrika and other **neo-colonies** has been so great that in many instances it has led to out and out rioting in the streets. The **IMF** and the **World Bank** have become two of the most hated institutions in the world (Stiglitz, 2002, p. 20, 36, 47 & 119).

4 Challenges to the Bretton Woods twins: new lenders on the scene

4.1 China's development loans to Afrika

China started providing aid to Africa in 1956. At that time China was a revolutionary socialist country highly committed to building anti-imperialist solidarity through joint international initiatives and alliances.

The revolutionary Chinese government developed eight principles for offering aid to foreign countries. The principles stated that:

“... the Chinese government does not attach any conditions to its aid nor demand any privileges; that China provides aid to the recipients in the form of interest-free or low-interest loans and will reschedule repayment if necessary; that Chinese aid is aimed at helping the recipients embark on the road to economic independence and self-reliance rather than increasing their dependence on China; that China promises to help the recipient countries master the technology in its technical aid; that China will try to provide the best possible equipment and materials it makes and that Chinese experts sent to the recipient countries should be treated the same as local experts, without special privileges.” (China’s Loans)

However, China’s ideological position has changed significantly. It took the definitive decision in 1984 to use capitalism as its engine of growth. On the face of it, this decision represents a complete political U-turn from its former revolutionary ideology. This raises doubts as to whether the solidarity rationale or the principles agreed in 1956 still necessarily guide present Chinese aid decisions. Any deviation could mean that there is now little difference between the Chinese approach to ‘aid’ and the proven anti-Afrikan genocidal programmes of the US Satan led corporate capitalists.

China-Afrika Forum



There have been three Forums on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) held on 10th to 12th October 2000 in Beijing, 15th and 16th December 2003 in Addis Ababa and 4th and 5th November 2006 in Beijing. Most significant among them were the first and third FOCAC’s. The question of substantial ‘aid’ agreements between Afrika and China came to the fore at the first FOCAC where the Chinese government pledged to write off 10.5 billion yen (US\$1.3 billion) of overdue Afrikan debts in two years – a pledge which was fulfilled (China Provokes).

The Third FOCAC was the largest international summit ever held in Beijing. In addition to pledging to forgive another 10 billion yen (\$1.3 billion), the Chinese government launched the China-Africa Development Fund with \$5 billion to support Chinese companies investing in Africa. The new fund will cover \$3 billion worth of loans and \$2 billion worth of export credits. The agreement also included a rise in the respective parties' volume of bi-lateral trade from \$40 billion in 2005 to \$100 billion by 2010.

China has provided a substantial financial boost to Afrikan **neo-colonial governments** which has been enthusiastically welcomed and supported by those that people Afrikan governmental structures. The enthusiasm has extended to **neo-colonial governments** in Liberia and Sudan 'inviting' Chinese troops onto our soil (China peacekeepers; Darfur rebels). They are seemingly unconcerned at the connotations of 'Asian imperialism' that their invitations engender. The Afrika-China agreements have also contributed to the proliferation of trading activity which has brought substantial dividends to the Chinese. For instance:

"... China ... now accounts for 60% of oil exports from Sudan and 35% of those from Angola. Chinese firms mine copper in Zambia and Congo-Brazzaville, cobalt in the Congo, gold in South Africa, and uranium in Zimbabwe ... 46% of Gabon's forest exports, 60% of timber exported from Equatorial Guinea, and 11% of timber exports from Cameroon." (China Provokes)

Whether or not the people of Afrika actually benefit from these loans is not yet clear. However, the new loans from China, together with the rapid increase in trading activity, raise a number of critical questions, the answers to which will have profound implications for the future of Afrikan people:

- Can China use the capitalist engine of growth and simultaneously hold on to its 1956 principles for offering aid?
- Will loans from China help to break the strangle hold of corporate capitalism over the Afrikan continent?
- Will loans from China lead to a new Chinese strangle hold over the Afrikan continent?
- With by far the largest population of any nation in the world, could greater co-operation with China lead to an export of Chinese people that could change the demography of parts of Afrika?
- Will Chinese aid simply serve to strengthen the position of the **neo-colonial** traitor class in Afrika or will it contribute to bringing real development to the Afrikan people?

Whatever the answers to these questions, the fact remains that China is befriending many of imperialism's **neo-colonies**; China is developing trading agreements with imperialism's **neo-colonies** which offer better terms than anything that the **neo-colonies** are getting from imperialism. In some cases, China is offering to pay off the debts of the **neo-colonies**, which could even lead to the destruction of that nation's **neo-colonial** dependency on imperialism. Many of the **neo-colonies** are impressed with the arrangements being suggested by China and are keen to develop economic and diplomatic relationships

with China. If China is successful in its programme, the current imperialist debt trap system could completely collapse rendering corporate capitalism powerless. The geo-political implications for Afrika and the world are potentially profound.

4.2 Bank of the South: neo-colonies fighting back

The South American continent has been ravaged and severely crippled by the *IMF's* and the *World Bank's neo-colonial* debt trap. Its inhabitants have been the victims of US Satan imperialism's virtually exclusive *neo-colonising* 'rights' on their soil. The catastrophic catalogue of devastation suffered has encouraged governments in the region to develop a major new self-help initiative aimed at securing real political and economic independence. They are in the process of creating the Union of South American Nations (UNASUR) which is helping to create parallel spaces for people centred thinking aimed at negotiating alternative models to *neo-colonial* debt entrapment.



As part of this process a regional development bank - the Bank of the South – was initially proposed during a summit held in Cochamba, Bolivia on 8th and 9th December 2006 by President Hugo Chávez of Venezuela. He was acting on the advice of a plethora of social movements and civil society groups that for decades have been fighting social and economic injustice caused by the *neo-colonial* policies of the *IMF* and the *World Bank*. From the outset, the initiative was supported by the governments of Argentina, Bolivia and Ecuador - Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay joined later. The founding act of the Bank was signed by the Presidents of all seven constituent countries on 9th December 2007 in Caracas (Nobel Economist). The participating governments have agreed to fund the bank to the amount of \$10 billion. The bank's central purpose is to:

- Champion of the fight against poverty in a continent where one third of its people are officially classified as living below the poverty line;

- Reduce the gap between the rich and the poor in the region;
- Strengthen the social sector and in the region;
- Ensure sovereignty over food and natural resources in the region (Latin Americans Agree).

The Bank of the South is also intended to counter the hegemony of the *IMF* and the *World Bank* in the area of development funding. In fact, its role is to do more than just reassert South America's independence from these global financial institutions; it is expected to challenge their dominance and exercise international political leadership. There are even proposals that the Bank of the South should eventually completely replace as well as repair the role played by the *Bretton Woods twins* in South America. It is intended that this initiative will contribute to countries in the region gaining financial sovereignty (Bank of the South).

The Bank of the South has been possible because Venezuela has accumulated massive international reserves as a result of revenues from its oil industry. On a similar note, Brazil as one of the most rapidly industrializing nations in the world also has large reserves. In the past such reserves have always found their way 'back' to the banks of US Satan where it has helped to prop up the US Satan economy (Reddy, 2004, p. 173). However, the participating governments and their central bankers want to bring their countries' money back home so that it can be used to benefit their own people.

The withdrawal of dollar reserves from the US Satan economy to build industry in South America without reference to the *Bretton Woods twins* will help to undermine the dollar's domination of the world economy; this change will also seriously weaken and possibly even destroy the US Satan economy (Babu, 2002, p. 131). Furthermore, the weakening of US Satan imperialism can potentially create an opening for revolutionary advances of the sort that brought about the Afrikan defeat of Portuguese imperialism and its allies in the mid-1970's. There are many similarities between the war weakened situation of US Satan imperialism of the 1970's and its current situation. Perhaps the most critical difference holding back our progress is that Afrikan people are objectively much more poorly organised now.

5 The failure of the IMF and the World Bank: their time is up

5.1 The current capitalist crisis

Over half a century of *IMF* and the *World Bank* economic proscriptions have demonstrated them to be a disaster for all but the corporate capitalists and their allies - who created them in the first place. These capitalist killer institutions now have a proven track record of wrecking the mainly agricultural economies of Afrikan and other nations in the *neo-colonial* periphery (Danaher, 1994, p. 20). In the 1990's their prescriptions were also shown to be capable of wrecking the economies of relatively wealthy industrial and industrialising nations.

"The Global capitalist system is now facing a severe crisis. The credibility of the World Bank and the IMF is in tatters. The Asian financial meltdown that began in Thailand in July 1997, soon spread to other countries in the region. The Japanese banking system is in deep trouble. In 1998, the crisis spread to Russia and Latin America threatening the global financial system." (Reddy, 2004, p. 171).

IMF and **World Bank** policies have become so discredited that even some of the corporate capitalists responsible for implementing their so called 'aid' programmes have now come out against those very same programmes. A former chief economic advisor to the **World Bank** and Nobel prize winner for economics has openly condemned the 'aid' debt trap system:

"... many of the policies that the IMF pushed, in particular premature capital market liberalization, have contributed to global instability. And once a country was in crisis, IMF funds and programs not only failed to stabilize the situation but in many cases actually made matters worse, especially for the poor. The IMF failed in its original mission of promoting global stability; it has been no more successful in the new missions that it has undertaken, such as guiding countries from communism to a market economy" (Stiglitz, 2002, p. 15)

"... the perception throughout most of the [underdeveloped] world, one I share, is that the IMF itself had become a part of the countries' problem rather than part of the solution. Indeed, in several of the crisis countries, ordinary people as well as many government officials and business people continue to refer to the economic and social storm that hit their nations simply as 'the IMF' – the way one would say 'the plague' or 'the Great Depression'. History is dated by 'before' and 'after' the IMF, just as countries that are devastated by an earthquake or some other natural disaster date events 'before' or 'after' the earthquake." (Stiglitz, 2002, p. 97)

The **Bretton Woods twins** have failed in Afrika; they have failed in South, East and South East Asia; they have failed in South America; they have failed in Eastern Europe. By contrast, the China-Afrika Development Fund and the Bank of the South are mounting the first waves of what is likely to be many challenges from regions that have suffered as a result of the **Bretton Woods twins** former hegemony in development lending. Since virtually any nation with a realistic choice is likely to avoid the **Bretton Woods twins** like the plague, their hegemony in developmental funding is almost certainly over – their time is up.

5.2 Dying economies at the neo-colonial centre

The failure of the **IMF** and the **World Bank** is just one more nail in the coffin of the dying **neo-colonial** system that is currently enslaving Afrika. The trend towards its death is clear; nation-states at the **neo-colonialist** centre have collectively experienced:

- The slowing down of growth – an indicator of a decline in material production and corresponding real wealth;

- Changes in the very structure of their economies – further confirming a reduction in real wealth together with a shift of power from the industrial capitalists to the international finance capitalists and;
- A rapid decrease in their proportion of global industrial output, in comparison with the increasing proportion among newly industrialising countries - this indicates a shift of real wealth and therefore power away from **neo-colonialism's** central economies (Reddy, 2004, p. 24).

Evidence of the decline at the centre of **neo-colonialism** is overwhelming:

“... by [the] 1990s, in the highly developed G7 countries, 70 to 80 per cent of national income and employment was generated in [their] non-goods producing sector. The share of agricultural output and employment contracted to 2 to 10 per cent. The share of [their] manufacturing sector shrunk to 15 to 20 per cent [of] the national income and employment ... ‘Service Economies’ ... are now characterised by widely diversified service activities, which include both producer services, especially business services, including financial services and social services, especially education and health services ... [furthermore] ... from the late 1970's, there has been a slow down of growth ... The proportion of the unemployed in the workforce has increased ... wages, particularly that of unskilled workers ... were stagnating or declining.” (Reddy, 2004, p. 25/6).

Formerly weaker nations are now producing more volume of output, more efficiently than those at the **neo-colonial** centre. The result is that the wealth and power of the newly industrialising nations must increase, whilst the real wealth and corresponding power of nations at the **neo-colonial** centre must decline. The **neo-colonial** structure is becoming increasingly unsustainable, because the central economies, upon which it relies, are now producing less and less real wealth; a scenario which shows no sign of changing. This means that international finance capitalists, who produce nothing material, will face doom and because of the controlling influence that they have over those **capitalist corporations** that do actually produce, they will carry the industrial capitalists down with them.

All of this spells disaster for Afrika also, because the continent is still firmly entrenched within corporate capitalism's clutches. Since the corporate capitalists do not have much in the way of their own natural resources and since they do not produce very much real wealth, they have got to devise a fool proof method for ensuring that they can take the natural resources and finished goods that they desire. Their target is Afrika – the richest source of natural resources on the planet. They must intensify their theft of Afrikan resources in order to survive. In the same way that the international finance capitalists will drag the industrial capitalists down with them, so it is that the whole of corporate capitalism will drag Afrika down with it if we do not organise ourselves to break the **neo-colonial** chains of bondage.

If Afrikan people do not break away from the current **neo-colonial** bondage and capitalism still falls, it is possible that others – perhaps the Chinese - may step into the ‘void’ and colonise us instead. We could find ourselves simply swapping one ‘master’ for another. We therefore have an historic duty to organise

ourselves to defeat **neo-colonialism** – the principle barrier disqualifying us from freedom. Organising and successfully regaining control of Afrika will be our contribution to freeing the world from the domination of corporate capitalism or any other imperialist system. A self-determining people's government of Afrika will ensure that no imperialism will develop to a world scale.

6 Digging neo-colonialism out of a hole

6.1 Globalisation: the aims of corporate capitalists

Once upon a time we could have explained the motivation of capitalism with reference to the profit motive. We could have reasoned that:

“The capitalist system feeds upon the uninterrupted accumulation of capital, on the acceleration and intensification of production, the exploitation of available natural resources, and a rapid built-up of expertise in management, technology and science.” (Zeigler, 1981, p. 17).

However, the current system of world domination is now reaching the limits of its usefulness for controlling the world's workers and peasants. It principally relied on keeping Afrikan or other **neo-colonial** nations in debt as a lever to extract any and all of those nations' natural resources. For a number of different but related reasons **neo-colonialism's** debt trap scam has failed miserably and with the emergence of the BRIC nations (Brazil, Russia, India and China) as industrial power houses, there has been a shift in the world's geo-political balance of forces with devastating effects for corporate capitalism's **neo-colonial** centre.

In order to preserve, sustain and maintain their position of privilege corporate capitalists have now set their heights even higher. Their aim is the corporate takeover of all of the world's resources (including people) and infrastructure (Monbiot, 2000, p. 302). This goes beyond money and profits; it goes beyond the accumulation of capital. They desire – absolute power, complete domination and total control of all of the world and all that is contained within it. To achieve this they must:

- Consolidate their hold on existing **neo-colonies** in Afrika (the richest continent in the world), Asia and South America;
- Contain all opposing or potentially opposing forces including Arabia - with its abundance of oil wealth and the BRIC countries (Brazil, Russia, India and China) – which have the potential to challenge US Satan imperialism's hegemonic power through their developing industrial might.

The wiser and cunningly deceptive voice of US Satan imperialism politely advances this agenda by suggesting that it is making the world a better place through 'the removal of trade barriers and the closer integration of world economies' (Stiglitz, 2002, p. ix). However, the uninhibited voice of US Satan imperialism exercises no such finesse or delicacy; as part of its ongoing act of aggression in Iraq, it simply announced to the world that what it is seeking is:

"... the full privatisation of public enterprises, full ownership rights by foreign firms of [the neo-colony's] businesses, full repatriation of foreign profits ... the opening of [the neo-colony's] banks to foreign control, national treatment for foreign companies and ... the elimination of nearly all trade barriers." (Harvey, 2005, p. 214).

However, regardless of the level of diplomatic tact, their globalisation agenda is to use their powers: to facilitate the uninhibited movement of capital (i.e. their own investments and profits) around the world; to standardise production worldwide in order to bring themselves economies of scale, which in turn will lower their costs and make them more profits; to entrench the **neo-colonial** model of governance into every national economy around the world by: (i) putting an end to nationalisation projects through their 'homemade' biased system of international laws; (ii) ensuring the privatisation of national public services in all countries within their sphere of influence. Their upgraded **neo-colonial** system will be institutionalised through a 'legalised' global system of government by stealth - where elected governments, all over the world, are to be turned into the agents and servants of capitalism's corporate chief executives (Monbiot, 2000, p. 330).

6.2 The unholy hidden agenda of globalisation

In order to take over the world's resources, the corporate capitalists want to bring in globalization - a single global capitalist economy with US Satan imperialism as its leader. Without completely ditching their **IMF** and **World Bank** debt trap systems, they intend to reinforce their dominant position by organising the structure of the recently created **World Trade Organisation (WTO)** to trick and batter the rest of humanity into submission. Through the **WTO** they intend to introduce their new 'improved' method for controlling **neo-colonies**. Their savage attack against the rest of the world is hidden behind the jargon 'multi-lateral agreements' on 'trade' (via the **WTO**) and 'investments' (via the **WTO**, **IMF** and **World Bank**).

In a calculated programme designed to camouflage the multiple blows that they are delivering to the rest of us, they have launched a diplomatic offensive. Their intention is to give the impression of 'cancelling' the so called debts of some Afrikan **neo-colonies** under their control. They have supported this process by the imposition of trade and investment 'agreements' designed to bind the **neo-colonies** into submission to their total control in an attempt to prevent the emergence of a new international environment. Their new 'friendly' approach makes for good public relations internationally. It is intended to build and reinforce corporate capitalism's alliances with the elites in Afrikan and other **neo-colonies**. It is also intended as a tactic designed to cut the ground from under the feet of China by undermining China's recent offers to pay off the debts of some of corporate capitalism's **neo-colonies** (As China takes).

The people around the world have demonstrated that they are not prepared to put up with the devastating anti-human consequences of corporate capitalism's so called multilateral 'agreements' by openly rebelling. The corporate capitalists tried to 'ratify' their multi-lateral agreement on investment through the

G8 in Paris in 1998 but failed. They tried to 'ratify' an agreement for the same idea through the **WTO** in November 1999, but that failed too. They are currently attempting to create a similar multi-lateral trade agreement using a two phase approach: firstly, by establishing their so called 'agreements' within each of the world's regional trading blocks and secondly by linking them up to form standardised trading agreements between the various trading blocks. If successful, this combination will create a US Satan corporate led standardised world trading 'agreement' by default i.e. through the back door (Monboit, 2000, p. 302-330).

7 A survival programme for neo-colonialism

7.1 The revived Bretton Woods triplet – Globalisation through the WTO

For a long time, through their domination of the area of development funding, the **IMF** and **World Bank** were left free to attack, undermine and cripple the economies of Afrika and other **neo-colonies**. However, that scenario altered significantly with the industrial rise of the BRIC nations (Brazil, Russia, India and China) and the creation of institutions such as the China-Afrika Development Fund and the Bank of the South. Furthermore, the economic melt downs that the **Bretton Woods twins** caused in the former Eastern block countries and South East Asia have left them with very few admirers. Condemnation of the manner of operation of the **IMF** and **World Bank** is now almost universal and the power to contain **neo-colonies** is waning.

Afrikans Against the WTO



In view of the complete lose of credibility of the **neo-colonial** debt trap system, the corporate capitalists are now seeking to supersede the powers of the **IMF** and the **World Bank** by manipulating and beefing up the powers of the **WTO** to support their agenda of globalisation. There is a serious attempt being made to turn the **WTO** into a corporate weapon for daylight robbery – a kind of 'smash and grab' operation that can be used to vindicate the corrupt actions of the corporate capitalist thieves. They are

attempting to introduce a new set of manipulated international 'trade' and 'investment' laws. They recognise that breaches of international law can be used as a pretext for intense diplomatic pressure, economic sanctions and even for the 'legal' invasion of the country allegedly in breach.

The **WTO** is being constructed to operate as the world's government, the world's Supreme Court that adjudicated between states and the world's policeman all rolled into one. It is designed to promote the uninhibited movement of **capitalist corporations** and their assets around the globe. It is being constructed to have an all encompassing remit covering more or less every economic transaction in the world including services, patents, investments, goods and agricultural commodities.

The corporate capitalists have gone all out to make the **WTO** a stick that can be used to beat all of their opponents. They have declared their intention to subdue national parliaments. They have also made it clear that they intend to use their domination of national parliaments as part of a process designed to abolish national laws that prevent the uninhibited movement of capital across national boundaries:

"... the American government is turning to the WTO to carry out the task of imposing American ideas of free trade, free market, etc., on the rest of the world ... the WTO has emerged as a powerful new system of global governance. The WTO has become a super national authority invading national sovereignty. The WTO has written 700 pages of rules that add up to an enforceable commercial code governing markets and trade worldwide. The code is enforceable not by nation-states but by the WTO itself. The WTO rules impose limits on the laws and policies of every nation with 'the clear intention to diminish, if not eliminate the democratic process' both internally and among member nations." (Reddy, 2004, p. 176).

"... the WTO ... has all sorts of powers and abilities to take action against disobedient countries and governments ... one country can lodge a complaint about another country's laws before a WTO tribunal in Geneva, and if the complaint wins – the defendant country must prove its innocence, then the defendant country must change its laws, pay fines or accept sanctions being taken against it." (Went, 2000, p. 41).

Through manipulation of the structures of the **WTO**, the corporate capitalists are determined to create an international 'legal' environment where they get the right to sue national governments that do not submit to their will, with:

- So called international courts (which are really kangaroo courts), where the corporate capitalists' themselves (or their appointed friends and lackeys) adjudicate the hearings
- Million and billion dollar 'compensation' payments being made to them by national governments whose laws and policies they claim have lost them profits. Compensation payments will also be paid for any 'potential' (in other words imaginary) profits that they may claim to have lost
- No right of appeal
- No other entity on earth being allowed to sue or take legal action against them (the corporate capitalists) regardless of how they behave (Monbiot, 2000, p. 302-330).

All of these blatantly despotic initiatives also have the effect of turning national parliaments, at the **neo-colonial** centre as well as the periphery, into impotent irrelevant ceremonial apolitical show pieces, whose only task is to do what **corporate capitalism** tells them to do. We would naturally expect MP's to openly challenge this blatant threat to their alleged sovereignty, but instead they appear to be happily voting the power out of their roles – a kind of voting away of whatever little relevance the votes of their constituents might have. The corporate capitalists' corrupting system of patronage is proving itself to be a 'fool proof' protector of their interests.

The **WTO** rules also have the effect of entrenching control over Afrikan and other **neo-colonies** in the capitalist periphery more firmly into corporate capitalism's orbit. This initiative will therefore undermine any attempt by China to build effective economic relations with those **neo-colonial governments**. In addition to their agenda of stealing other peoples' resources, the corporate capitalist's latent objective in rigging the **WTO** is to keep China internationally isolated in order to prevent the Chinese from overtaking US Satan imperialism as the world's number one economic power.

Though devastating, the old systems of control which relied on the powers of the **IMF**, the **World Bank** and associated agencies have been exposed as inadequate for world domination. They are losing their power to subdue Afrikan and other nations in the **neo-colonial** periphery – the tight grip of **neo-colonial** bondage is being loosened. The **WTO** plan therefore goes much further by using international regulations to bind Afrikan **neo-colonies** into corporate capitalism's orbit, on the one hand, and threatening to chain the imperialist nations at the centre into **neo-colonial** bondage on the other. If the planned operation of the **WTO** comes into being, it will represent the complete formal institutionalisation of 'legalised' **neo-colonialism** as a system of governance throughout the entire world. Every nation-state, regardless of its ideological orientation will be under the hegemonic command of the **capitalist corporations**.

7.2 Neo-colonialism's only hope: intensifying theft from Afrika

Afrika is the richest continent on earth. It is not just marginally richer than the other continents, it is massively richer. The Afrikan continent is blessed with an abundance of the world's most precious minerals and in many cases has more reserves than the rest of the world put together. The following quote illustrates the point:

"Africa produces more than 60 metal and mineral products and is a major producer of several of the world's most important minerals and metals including Gold, PGE's, Diamonds, Uranium, Manganese, Chromium, Nickel, Bauxite and Cobalt ... Africa hosts about 30% of the planet's mineral reserves, including 40% of gold, 60% cobalt and 90% of the world's PGM reserves - making it a truly strategic producer of these precious metals." (MBendi)

Whosoever controls Afrika (the richest continent in the world) become the richest and most powerful people in the world. Currently European imperialism (including its modern leader US Satan imperialism) controls Afrika through its system of **neo-colonialism**. They use their **capitalist corporations**, supported by their other capitalist killer institutions the **IMF**, **World Bank** and **WTO** to effectively invade and subdue the Afrikan people so that they can illegitimately extract massive volumes of Afrikan resources for their own use. This is what makes the **capitalist corporations** the richest and most powerful entities in the world. Control of Afrikan resources is therefore of critical strategic importance to the maintenance and survival of the worldwide **neo-colonial** system.

China wants to become an industrial superpower also, she is busily engaging in making economic treaties with the **neo-colonial** governments in Afrika. She is fighting to undermine the **neo-colonial** hold that the **capitalist corporations** have over Afrika in order to replace it with a system more favourable to China's internal economic development plans. By behaving in this way, China is recognising that it is not possible to become a sustainable industrial superpower without a guarantee of access to the abundant resources of Afrika. Similarly, as India attempts to develop into a world industrial superpower, she too will be bound to move closer to Afrika and Afrika's resources in order to achieve and maintain her superpower status.

The problem that Europeans, the Chinese and the Indians all have in common is that none of them have a legitimate claim to controlling Afrika. The only people with a legitimate claim to controlling Afrikan land and resources are the dispossessed people of Afrika. When Afrikan people around the world truly realise that they are Afrikans and assume their legitimate control of Afrika, Afrikan people will become the most powerful people in the world. When an Afrikan people's government takes control of Afrika:

- **Capitalist corporations** will cease to be the most powerful entities in the world;
- **Capitalist corporations** and any other organised forces with similar intentions will cease to have the power to dominate Afrikan people and our resources;
- **Capitalist corporations** and the mechanism's for industrial development in other nations will become dependent upon Afrikan people for vital resources.

Under these new conditions, all other nations will then have to trade fairly with an Afrikan people's government. The corrupt anti-Afrikan **neo-colonial** mechanisms i.e. the **capitalist corporations**, the **World Trade Organisation (WTO)**, the **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** and the **International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)** colloquially referred to as the **World Bank** will all become redundant. This means that the **capitalist corporations** and their allies have a vested interest in preventing an Afrikan people's government from taking control of Afrika, because of the disempowering impact that this change will have on them.

If we are to survive and ultimately thrive as a people, we must prevent all foreign entities from taking control of Afrika. We must organise ourselves to take and exercise our complete legitimate right to the control of our land and resources. Conversely, if the **capitalist corporations** are to survive they must prevent not only an Afrikan people's government, but all of the other people on earth from gaining a controlling interest over the resources of Afrika. They fully understand the nature of the problem, even if we – as a collective - do not currently appear to. It is for this reason that they have: (i) appointed Barack Obama to the position of president of US Satan, and (ii) established Africom. The intention is to charm us with a diplomatic offensive as a prelude to militarily securing and intensifying their theft of the resources of Afrika.

8 Africom: Neo-colonialism's military front in Afrika

8.1 Neo-colonial carnage in Afrika

'Special Warfare' is a technique sponsored by governments, banks and other capitalist corporations based in the **neo-colonial** centres. It is the source of virtually all of the civil wars in Afrika as well as the wars between the Afrikan **neo-colonies** which were themselves created by imperialism during the Berlin Conference of 1884/5.

As a direct result of these **neo-colonial** covert policies and practices of evil, Afrika is suffering externally imposed and internally implemented genocide against its people on a massive scale. This horrendous loss of human life, much of which is carried out by Afrika's contingent of child soldiers, is far in excess of anything currently being experienced in any other continent in the world. The result of this deliberate **neo-colonial** policy of orchestrated mayhem is that as much as a third of the Afrikan continent is currently ravaged by war resulting in by far the highest death toll anywhere in the world today.

The appalling death toll has risen to levels which are beyond anything that the human mind is truly capable of comprehending: a minimum of 5 million Afrikan people have been killed in wars in the Congo in the last 10 years; 5 million Afrikan people have been killed in the wars in Sudan in the last 20 years; an estimated 800 thousand to 3 million Afrikan people have been killed in the civil war in Rwanda in the last 10 years; 1 million Afrikan people have been killed in the wars in Uganda in the past few years and this represents just a sample of our human losses.

The onslaught of **neo-colonialism** is relentless with the result that the death count continues to increase. It follows that the very existence of Afrikans as a part of humanity is seriously called into question since we see little sign or prospect of this tidal wave of evil activity abating. It must be remembered that this snapshot analysis merely serves to give some indication of the magnitude of the barbarous acts of carnage constantly organised by imperialism against the lives and interests of Afrikan people.

Whilst it may be a blessing of sorts for those who manage to escape the battle fields without losing their lives, such 'fortune' should not be confused with the capacity of surviving Afrikans to live happy and

unfettered lives. There are no reliable statistics available revealing the true number of Afrikans maimed and injured as a result of the wars in Afrika. However, one of the things that we can say for certain is that this figure is far greater than the number of Afrikans that have lost their lives.

Even those who do not suffer physical injury have their lives devastated by the wars. Afrika has a refugee crisis which physically displaces the Afrikan masses and undermines our capacity to build a successful, unified society. Of the estimated 33 million refugees in the world today, over half are to be found in our Afrikan motherland. At this point it should be remembered that we have not even attempted an assessment of the psychological damage caused to the Afrikans that have lived through imperialism's proxy wars on our continent.

The overall result is that Afrika is left to measure the continental scale bloodshed by the number of dead, injured, displaced and psychologically traumatised Afrikan men, women and children. On the other hand, imperialism's arms dealing *capitalist corporations* measure their Afrikan experience in profits amounting to hundreds of billions of US Satan dollars. Imperialism's arms industry is an unremorseful trade in blood money; its profits and money are drenched in the blood of millions of slaughtered and maimed Afrikan people who have no history of attacking the homeland bases of the *capitalism's corporations*.

8.2 Afrikan people's resistance to Africom

United States Africa Command (Africom) is a *neo-colonial* military formation that will intensify the carnage and loss of life on the Afrikan continent. It is not a surprise therefore that from even before the formal setting up of *Africom*, the very idea of its existence was confronted with the resolute resistance of Afrikan people. The people's resistance forced Afrika's *neo-colonial governments* to go against their submissive instincts into taking a strong line against the creation of *Africom*.

Along with Libya the *neo-colonial governments* of Nigeria, South Afrika and over a dozen other Afrikan states openly expressed hostility to the idea of *Africom's* headquarters being located anywhere on the Afrikan continent. The anguish of Afrikan people was such that:

"... [US Satan] can no longer rely on compliant regimes to do its bidding and faces growing opposition from popular political organizations and civic institutions (political parties; newspapers and other independent media; churches, mosques, and other religious institutions; trade unions; community associations; human rights organizations; environmental groups; and private business interests) that are gaining more and more power to challenge [US Satan] policy. Privately, however, many African rulers have assured [US Satan] that they are still eager to collaborate with the Pentagon in less visible ways, including participating in [US Satan] security assistance programs and agreeing to allow [US Satan] forces to use local military bases in times of crisis."
(Africom: From).

Even with these massive levels of resistance, the **neo-colonial** leaders of Liberia, Botswana, Senegal and Djibouti have shown signs of capitulating to US Satan's pressure, with Liberia having gone so far as to have publicly expressed a willingness to host **Africom** personnel. However, the power of the people combined with other geo-political factors has for the time being overridden the latent desire of Afrika's **neo-colonial** leadership to provide US Satan's **capitalist corporations** with headquarters on the continent. One of those other factors is the decline in the coercive power of the **neo-colonial** debt trap system.

8.3 Background to Africom

The debt trap system of the **Bretton Woods twins** is now ineffective as a tool for forcing the compliance of Afrikan and other **neo-colonies** to give up their natural resources. In addition, attempts to turn the **WTO** into a tool for corporate capitalism's domination of the world have been met with massive resistance all over the globe. China's emergence as an industrial superpower has added to the woes of US Satan corporations.

All of this has meant that corporate capitalism is losing its previously firm grip on the abundant mineral wealth of Afrika. **Capitalist corporations** are becoming increasingly desperate because a total loss of access to Afrika's oil reserves would be a death blow to their industries. The **Capitalist corporations** have responded to this threat by seeking to subdue resistance through the coordinated use of systematic violence i.e. bare faced military force. This new approach is expressed through **Africom** which heralds in both, the final phase of **neo-colonialism** and what is likely to emerge as the bloodiest historical period in living memory.

Africom grew out of the idea of deploying a small military force to back up corporate capitalism's 'legalised' theft of oil in the Afrikan Gulf of Guinea in the face of fairer and superior trading arrangements being offered by China. US Satan could potentially face economic doom with its supply of oil from Afrika effectively cut off. The following illustrates the strategic importance of oil to the superpowers:

"... Africa's mounting importance as a global petroleum source cannot be underestimated. Since 2002, [US Satan] oil imports from Nigeria, Angola, Algeria and Libya have nearly doubled, and according to data from the [US Satan] Energy Information Administration, Africa has surpassed the Middle East as the largest supplier of crude oil to [US Satan]. *The [US Satan] National Intelligence Council* projects that African oil imports could account for 25 percent of total [US Satan] imports by 2015. At the same time, China accounted for 40 percent of total growth in global demand for oil in the last four years. Today, more than a quarter of China's oil imports come from Africa." (Africom: Round)

Africom is therefore a crucial part of corporate capitalism's illegitimate bid to take control of oil together with the other valuable resources in Afrika. Driven by the industrial demands of corporate capitalism, US Satan has decided to take charge of Afrika's resources particularly Afrika's oil reserves by force if need

be. Through the establishment of **Africom** US Satan and its corporate backers have decided to make Afrika its next battle ground of strategic conflict; in the past their self-styled 'cold war' conflict was mainly with the Soviet Union, but today their primary conflict is with China (Say no).

Africom's existence will bring about the increased militarization of Afrika. It represents US Satan's systematic co-ordinated plan for military interference into the internal affairs of Afrikan **neo-colonies**. **Africom** will therefore promote more direct military involvement in Afrikan internal affairs both with and without proxy armies. However, it is unlikely to lead to an increase in permanent US Satan military bases:

"... Washington would prefer that selected friendly regimes take the lead in meeting [its] objects, so that [US Satan] can avoid direct military involvement in Africa, particularly at a time when the [US Satan] military is so deeply committed to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and preparing for possible attacks on Iran. The hope that the Pentagon can build up African surrogates who can act on behalf of [US Satan] is precisely why Washington is providing so much security assistance to these regimes and why it would like to provide even more in the future. Indeed, this is actually one of the main reasons that Africom is being created at this time." (Africom: From)

Africom is therefore more likely to bring its genocidal scale Afrikan death toll through proxy wars and other hidden military dirty tricks rather than fully fledged invasions, although the latter cannot be dismissed.

8.4 Origin and structure of Africom

Africom was initially established 1st October 2007 as a sub-division of US Satan's European military command. It became fully autonomous and operational on 1st October 2008, under the leadership of a **neo-colonial** Afrikan four star General William E. "Kip" Ward. Interestingly, Ward was a commander in the US Satan army defeated by the people of Somalia following its illegal invasions in 1992-4.

The stiff resistance of the Afrikan people forced **Africom's** 1,300 person command to set up its headquarters outside Afrika at Kelley Barracks in Stuttgart, Germany at Sembach air base. Similarly, **Africom's** army and navy are based in Italy - in Naples and Vincenzo respectively. Though its headquarters have been forced outside of Afrika, US Satan's intention is that this should be a temporary arrangement. There is already one large permanent, US Satan base on the continent at Camp Lemonier in Djibouti - over 2300 troops are stationed there.

However by 2012, US Satan wants two dozen bases in Africa (Africom: Round). It is seeking to develop what it calls 'cooperative security locations' - a distributed command networked across several countries at which temporary and often clandestine battles will be waged, rather than a single combatant command headquarters. These plans are in addition to Defence Department personnel that are currently assigned to US Satan Embassies and diplomatic missions to coordinate.

At least 24 Afrikan **neo-colonies** have already entered into so called 'cooperative agreements' with the US Satan military. These arrangements are wholly consistent with the **Africom** plan. They include: Algeria, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Chad, Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, and Zambia. Other imperialist nations have also joined with US Satan in carrying out military 'projects' on Afrikan soil. They include: France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom – these dangerous trends are bound to increase under the **Africom** scheme.

Africom's Chief Uncle Tom

4 Star General William 'Kip' Ward



8.5 The Strategy of Africom

US Satan has three broad aims for its **Africom** policy: firstly, to provide military backing to **capitalist corporations** in their quest to steal mineral wealth from Afrika; secondly, flexing US Satan's military muscle in its bid for supremacy over China, Europe and to some extent India by commandeering the lions share of Afrikan resources; and thirdly, using its bogus 'war on terror' as a pretext for killing scores of Afrikan people on its way to stealing and 'securing' Afrika's resources. There is also a latent agenda of using the military might of **Africom** to back 'in favour' African **neo-colonial governments** and 'in favour' insurgent forces that will function as US Satan military surrogates on the continent.

Africom marks a return to the so called 'cold war' period, where African nations were used as pawns in **neo-colonial** proxy wars, an experience that had a devastating impact on Afrikan people's lives and interests. In the past US Satan aided reactionary African factions with mercenaries and other paid killers to carry out atrocities against innocent unsuspecting civilians. It routinely resorted to everything from bribery to cleverly-disguised assassinations in cases where heads of state have in some way threatened the profit-making potential of US Satan based **capitalist corporations** (Blum, 2003, p. 38-42).

An increased US Satan military presence in Africa will likely follow this pattern of extracting resources while training and funding bandits in some of the bloodiest conflicts on earth. **Africom** threatens to:

"... continue to expand the entire spectrum of [US Satan] military operations in Africa, including increasing [US Satan] military involvement in the internal affairs of African countries (including both counter-terrorism and counter-insurgency operations) and the direct use of [US Satan] combat troops to intervene in African conflicts."
(Africom: From)



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This is a particularly worrying development for all Afrikan people, all sincere friends of Afrika and indeed all oppressed people the world over. **Africom's** threatened expansion of military operations signals the intensification of: (i) the rate of unprovoked direct military attacks or interventions in the internal affairs of Afrikan **neo-colonies** to: (i) support 'in favour' insurgent forces seeking to overthrow 'out of favour' **neo-colonial governments**; and (ii) support 'in favour' **neo-colonial governments** fending off challenges from Afrikan revolutionary organisations.

8.6 Blood money

There have been wholesale increases in arms deliveries, training for military, paramilitary and police forces, joint military exercises, special forces and mercenary activities. The massive build up of US Satan military activity in Afrika ushered in by **Africom** is indicated by the rapid rise in the levels of military spending:

"... arms deliveries and military training programs for Africa [have risen] from about \$100 million in 2001 to approximately \$600-800 million in 2008 ... the administration wants Africom to spend far more money on security assistance in the coming years -- as well as on [US Satan] military exercises in Africa ..." (Africom: From)

The breakdown of this expenditure helps to identify **Africom's** priorities: \$500 million for the so called 'Equip and Train programme', \$200 million for the 'Security and Stabilisation Assistance programme' and \$100 million for the 'Combatant Commanders' Initiative Fund'. Of this, an estimated \$300-\$400 million was intended to go to provide training and equipment to military, paramilitary and police forces in Africa. On top of all of this expenditure, we note that:

"In February 2008, the [US Satan] State Department announced that it would be awarding more than \$1 billion worth of contracts in Africa for the next five-year period (2009-2013) to as many as four private military contractors." (Africom: From).

This funding announcement reiterates US Satan's plan to minimise the use of its own military troops, concentrating instead on surrogate forces and mercenaries (i.e. killer contractors). *DynCorp* and *Pacific Architects and Engineers* are mercenary companies already on the US Satan payroll. They are already training and equipping the new Liberian armed forces and the Southern Sudanese military.

8.7 The Africom Obama combination and the strangulation of Afrika

The appointment of Barack Obama to the position of President of US Satan represents the highest possible overt expression of **neo-colonialism**, taking it onto a completely global level. His job is to disguise the racism of US Satan imperialism globally along the lines that the **neo-colonial** heads of state have done in Afrika over the last 30-40 years. He will lead a network of Afrikan **neo-colonial** 'leaders' whose job it is to hand Afrikan resources over to US Satan's **capitalist corporations** for a commission. He must then use US Satan's imperial power, in alliance with his **neo-colonial** 'brothers' to further subdue Afrikan and other oppressed people around the world in order to intensify its theft of resources.

Obama's real role is to mislead the gullible, by showing a bogus new 'kind faced' imperialism instead of the exhausted 'iron fist' version. He must charm Afrikan people the world over so that corporate capitalism's theft of our abundant reserves of oil and other mineral resources can go ahead, not only uninhibited by our resistance, but with us clapping, cheering and even actively assisting. This tactic has so far experienced a degree of success. Many sincere Afrikan people have been so confused by US Satan's internal **neo-colonialist** con trick that they are expressing pride at Obama's appointment; their confusion is all part of corporate capitalism's plan.

Amidst the confusion however, there is little doubt that Obama is an advocate of the **capitalist corporation** backed US Satan military attack on Afrika through **Africom**. He is on record as stating:

"... there will be situations that require [US Satan] to work with its partners in Africa to fight terrorism with lethal force ... having a unified command operating in Africa will facilitate this action." (Africom: From)

The **neo-colonial** leaders in Afrika were incapable of getting the **Africom** plan accepted by the masses of Afrikan people. The Obama con trick is partly designed to achieve that. The emotion of Obama's appointment is calculated to help fool Afrikan people on the continent into accepting **Africom** and its genocidal programme as 'a friend'.

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