

Getting to Know the PMOI

Name: People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran (PMOI)
Year of Foundation: Iranian Year 1344 (1965)
Founders: Mohammad Hanif-nezhad, Sa'id Mohsen, Ali-asghar Badi'zadegan

POLITICAL, ECONOMIC and SOCIAL IDEOLOGICAL CONTENT:

1) Our ideology is Islam, based on the Towhidi (Divinely integrated) world view, as the guide to leading the society to the complete obliteration of exploitation and the establishment of the Towhidi system, for this ideology, in any historical situation, rests on the most deprived (in Quranic terms; the 'abased'), social classes and the most progressive forces which, under the present conditions



of Iranian society, the workers and their allies, the peasants, are the proper representatives thereof.

The PMOI, believing in the total elimination of exploitation of man by man on all levels and in every dimension through the obliteration of class distinctions, will carry on its struggle until the Towhidi classless society is brought into being.

2) The PMOI, believing in the fundamentality of contradiction between the people and imperialism in the present period of history, began its struggle from its very inception by choosing the way of armed struggle

and the policy of urban guerrilla combat, leading to the overthrow of the comprador and anti-popular Pahlavi regime, towards realizing the ideals of Towhid (Divine integration).



Since the establishment of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the PMOI has viewed it as necessary to step up the anti-imperialist struggle through unity of the different ranks of society by actively participating in the political and social arena.

The PMOI has consistently pioneered in the move to form a front comprising all principled, anti-imperialist forces, as well as maintaining as its slogan the full-fledged support of all revolutionary and liberation organizations beyond the frontiers of Iran, towards the effectuation of a solid anti-imperialist front.

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From the time of the glorious uprising of 22 Bahman 1357 (11 February 1979), the PMOI has suc-

ceeded in:

1) Drawing the ideological distinction between itself and other forces operating under the name of Islam, despite superficially mutual appearances, and raising its demarcations to politico-strategic levels.

2) Discharging its revolutionary



responsibilities in the heat of the arena of Iranian social action, without being involved in the ruling system.

3) Developing in active link with all progressive and revolutionary sectors and forces of the people within the context of the campaign platform (in the Iranian presidential election) of Mojahed Brother Mas'ud Rajavi, establishing itself as the fulcrum of the revolutionary forces, in the face of all the pressures brought to bear by the reaction.

**No Submission,
No Compromise,
Mobilization of All the People's Forces**

The American military aggression against our country was carried out after the ground had been prepared by a series of political and economic policy moves. From the beginning, it was eminently clear that the United States would make a direct attack on our land, and it is equally evident that this recent effort will not be the last.

Although America has failed in the execution of its tactic of a direct attack, it now has a freer hand to maneuver, since the resignation of the moderate Cyrus Vance has removed an obstacle to more 'hawkish' activity; now America is free to activate its internal bases in Iran and implement its connivances without restraint, especially since the great majority of its agents operating in our country remain unexposed and are able to go about the reorganization of their espionage network, in order to get back on the job with business as usual.

The shameless effrontery which the CIA and SAVAK structures exhibited in launching the recent aggression, indicates that two factors are at play: the domestic and the foreign. The external factor involves the backing and encouragement of imperialism, while the internal is the existence of a domestic climate of turmoil, where the recent disturbances have provided a fertile field for aggressive action.

The revolutionary forces have repeatedly stated that the only way to counter such maneuvers is to mobilize the entire people; this is the way which has been tried and proven by the bloody experiences of the peoples which have fought to liberate themselves. When the mobilization of the people involves the politico-military coordination and unity of action of all the forces of the people, not only will an ever-increasing fear be generated in the conspirators but, correspondingly, a mighty and solid wall of resistance will be erected against the manipulations of the counter-revolution. We witnessed how high the morale and atmosphere of togetherness were amongst the different strata of the people at the height of the uprising, when men and women, full of hope for the future, were standing by the barricades through-

out those memorable days and nights.

The united front of the people's struggle should be extended into every district, neighborhood and byway. Let us strive to transform every mosque into a field headquarters and every school, factory and farm into a bastion in the struggle.

**The Union of World Imperialism
and Its Subordinates
against the Peoples of the World**

World imperialism has formed a solid front against the peoples of the world. With this understood, it is essential to adopt a coordinated strategy in the struggle against imperialism. Despite their manifold tactical and secondary contradictions, the imperialists have a common interest and a common strategy in their exploitation of the peoples.

Thus, the peoples of the world must demonstrate their solidarity by erecting a strong wall against the imperialists. By manipulating its different elements and employing the subtlest of means, the imperialist camp, led by American imperialism, has dispersed its activities into different channels, in a kind of highly complicated division of labor, or delegation of responsibility.

The role of British imperialism, for example, is dominant in the Gulf region, while German and Japanese imperialism share the provision of economic aid to the reactionary regimes throughout Asia and Africa and French imperialism involves itself in the suppression of peoples in such countries as Chad and Tunisia -- all proof of the assertion that imperialism is an integral whole.

This mutuality of interests was further demonstrated in the recent American military aggression against Iran, where Carter justified his criminal act by dubbing it a 'humanitarian mission', prating on about his bogus 'human rights' policy, while his allies and subordinates chimed in with a chorus of praise for this 'humane act', as they chanted their support for him.

Such devoted avowals of support prove that, despite the odd superficially independent noises made by certain governments, the true face of imperialism, with its congeries of satellites and de-

pendencies, is unmasked in objective confrontations.

We leave you with a revealing example of this kind of situation. French president Valerie Giscard d'Estaing has made a few statements recently, suggesting a stand which differs from Carter's foreign policy. We might well be misled into taking this as an indication of independent-ness. Should we be so deluded?

**U.S. Military Aggression
Aided by In-Country Base
and Spy Services in Iran**

Imperialism characteristically resorts to military assault and aggression when it decides to 'talk turkey' to the peoples of the world. This has been demonstrated time and again by the direct experience of the peoples of the world. As if we couldn't learn by experience, with all the warnings given by the revolutionary forces over and over for the last year and some months since the 20 Bahman triumph of the people (11 February 1979).

Now, it has happened as predicted; the United States has invaded and violated Iranian sovereignty -- not only unmasking its true identity as a shameless world-devourer, but also providing a living demonstration of imperialism's ultimate strategy of wielding the big stick, where, for it, in the end only might makes right. The history of the struggle of the peoples is full of ample precedence to indicate that this will not be the last time we can expect a direct assault by imperialism on the nation of Iran. And, once again, we are left with the harsh reality that peaceful means are of no avail in dealing with this monstrous Goliath, bristling with weapons of every kind. In fact, peaceful methods will only lead to the protection of the imperialist stake in Iran.

When they prepare themselves for military intervention, the world-devourers place a heavy reliance on the internal factors of a given country, to provide logistical support. On this basis, the U.S. Marine assault on Iran could never have taken place without in-country ground support in the form of internal bases and extensive spy networks, organized by the CIA and the vestiges of SAVAK (the Pahlavi regime's secret

police).

In this way, the conspiracies of the United States and its agents in Iran can only be foiled -- and the potential for further projects of dispatching forces to Iran be neutralized -- if all the spy services and their connections, including the remnants of SAVAK, whether in the army or in other governmental agencies, are exposed, and all agreements -- especially military ones -- be made public and completely revoked.

**PMOI Spokesman Responds
to Claims
Made by Iraqi Regime**

A spokesman for the People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran has made a strong condemnation of the attitude of the Iraqi regime with respect to the question of the islands [of Greater and Lesser Tomba and Abu Musa] in the Gulf, stating:

"It comes to us a matter of great surprise, as well as profound regret, that, while American imperialism has made a massive concentration of forces in Gulf region, the Ba'athist regime has seen fit to bring up old bones of contention and use them to attack Iran. This has come at a time when Imam Khomeini has once again stressed the criminal role of American imperialism, our mutual principal foe, and when we are threatened by both potential and actual bases of U.S. imperialism within and outside the country.

"The PMOI draws attention to the fact that territorial claims such as the issue over these islands have invariably been a tool of agitation in the hands of the imperialists, manipulated in such a way as to throw the oppressed peoples of the world at the throats of one another and distract them from focusing on their principal enemy. We, therefore, call for the Ba'athist government to put an immediate end to such divisive moves and to refrain from courting the pleasure of the imperialists by serving their aim of dividing peoples.

"On the basis of our outlook founded on revolutionary and Islamic guidelines whereby land belongs to the liberator, we believe that the good intentions of a given regime are measured by

the extent of its revolutionary character and its popular base in its efforts to establish a just and democratic socio-political system which may provide an example of brotherhood and equity for all the enslaved peoples of the world. Such a regime would hardly indulge in reopening the still-festering wounds of colonialism by making specious claims of possession. Claims like this can only arouse suspicion (with regard to intentions), especially when they are made in a context where the shah and his SAVAK hatchetmen and military agents are actively engaged in conspiratorial planning in the region, with the backing of the U.S., Israel and Egypt.

"We would like to make it clear that the revolutionaries of Iran are firmly behind Imam Khomeini in his anti-imperialist -- anti-American -- stand, and that all have formed a solid front, sharing the same sentiments, and are prepared to sacrifice themselves for their ideals, regardless of any ideological, political or organizational differences.

"It is this stress on unity which prompts us to request His Holiness once again to forestall the aggravation of strife and internal divisions in our country by taking the most immediate action possible in the form of declaring guidelines to the people, in order to secure, once again the anti-imperialist unity of all the strata of the population against the great satanic force of our century, the U.S. and its reactionary toadies in this region. It is our hope that Kurd and Persian, academic and clergyman, Shi'a and Sunni, Moslem and non-Moslem, in short, all the various strata of the population, may once again summon all their energy and devote it against the imperialist foe, in order to foil any machinations being devised in the region against the Iranian Revolution.

"In conclusion, we must state emphatically that the Iranian Revolution is in essence a liberating, anti-imperialist and Islamic Revolution free of any blemish of aggressive intent. If the Iraqi government wishes to make any assertion that provocation or interference in any way has been made by Iran in its internal affairs, it should present documentary evidence of any such activity, so that it may be verified on the part of Iran, in order that any cause for strife or intrigue may be eliminated."

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At dawn, on 4 Khordaad 1351 (25 May 1972) , on the eve of the conspiratorial trip of the criminal Nixon, US president at the time, the blood of five of the purest-hearted offspring of the people was shed upon the ground at the hand of the executioners of the shah.



"The key to our victory lies in the preservation of our perpetual political and organizational unity, through the attainment of the following three conditions: a) organizational unity, b) strategic unity, and c) ideological unity."

— Martyred Mojahed Mohammad Hanif-nezhaad, co-founder of the PMOI

"Harsh conditions demand precise demarcations between the movement and the counter-movement. The establishment of the lines of demarcation between movement and counter-movement, revolution and counter-revolution, is in itself a causal factor in the evolution of the struggle, for it is only on this basis that no leeway lies open for opportunism and compromise to linger."

— Martyred Mojahed Sa'id Mohsen, co-founder of the PMOI



"The worth of an individual is measured in the extent of what he is willing to sacrifice in the struggle. How can you call someone who has not given up anything, a 'struggler'?"

— Martyred Mojahed 'Ali-asghar Badi'zaadegaan, co-founder of the PMOI

"In an age when the raging conflagration of expansionist imperialism consumes the crop on which the peoples survive, the only way for the people to go forward is to guide their production towards the annihilation of colonialism and its savage watch-dogs."

— Martyred Mojahed Mahmud 'Asgari-zaadeh member, Leadership Cadre, PMOI



"It is a deep honor for me to be a member of the People's Mojahedin Organization of Iran and of the Organization of al-Fath."

— Martyred Mojahed 'Abdor-rasul Meshkin-faam, member, Leadership Cadre, PMOI excerpted from his defense in the court of injustice of the shah's regime

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