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FOR LIBYAN PEOPLE'S SELF-DETERMINATION LET'S SUPPORT THE INITIATIVE FOR PEACE OF ALBA-TCP!

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The conflict in Libya is a concern for the peoples of the world. The loss of lives and the tragedy of the refugees is augmented by the threat of military intervention by NATO that, as the history of the last century and of the last ten years has shown, is driven by anything but humanitarian interests. Contradictory or even false news spread by the mainstream media - as it has been revealed on several occasions, even by internationally accredited scholars - in fact makes it difficult to understand what is the real situation in the country.

It seems clear that the multinationals are preparing the public consensus on military action in Libya. The latter would have the goal to gain control of energy and water resources of the country, as well as to occupy a crucial position in the strategic area of the Maghreb and the eastern Mediterranean Sea, still scarred by the European colonial crimes and where recent historically meaningful movements are going through.

In the international context, the Berlusconi government is characterized by reactionary so as by contradictory positions by ministers responsible for emergency management: on the one hand, the Minister of Interior Maroni of the racist Northern League, calling the U.S. to "calm down" (Source: ANSA - March 6, 2011), fearing migration as an outcome of military aggression, on the other the Minister of Foreign Office Frattini, who diligently follows the lines laid down by the U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and urges the position of NATO, whose military bases on Italian soil are ready to host the impending war maneuvers.

The only real peace initiative advanced in recent days is that of President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela Hugo Chávez Frías, supported publicly by the Political Council of the ALBA-TCP (Bolivarian Alliance of the Peoples of Our America - Treaty of Commerce of the People) with a statement issued on March 4, 2011 (see translation below).

The proposal (which you can read in Castilian on the following website:

<http://aporrea.org/venezuelaexterior/n176027.html>) is to form a “Commission for International Humanitarian Peace and Integrity of Libya, ”to send observers and to work to mediate between the parties, in order to avoid a military strike in the country and within the international community”s efforts to help the Libyan people.

The position taken by the Bolivarian government of Venezuela and ALBA-TCP shows a commitment to peaceful conflict resolution and peoples’ self-determination, and confirms that the integration processes underway in Latin America is a landmark for the people of the world toward the construction of a necessary alternative to war and oppression which capitalism is founded on.

We welcome and relaunch the appeal of the ALBA-TCP to social movements and international public opinion, for them to mobilize themselves against the military and interventionist plans and in Libya.

We support the peace initiative of the Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and ALBA-TCP!

We support the resistance of peoples in struggle!

For life, sovereignty and self determination of the Libyan people!

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