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• CONSTITUTION

I. PREAMBLE

We the super-exploited Black workers recognize the historic role that we must play and the grave responsibility that is ours in the struggle for the liberation of Black people in racist U.S.A. and people of color around the world from the yoke of oppression that holds all of us in the chains of slavery to this country's racist exploitative system. Because we recognize the magnitude of the problem and the dire predicament of our people, we do here proclaim our solemn duty to take this the first step on the road to final victory over the great common enemy of humanity; i.e. the monstrous U.S.A. and the aforementioned system of exploitation and degradation.

We fully understand after 5 centuries under this fiendish system and the heinous savages that it serves, namely the white racist owners and operators of the means of production. We further understand that there have been previous attempts by our people in this country to throw off this degrading yoke of brutal oppression, which as pseudo-freedmen, have been in the vanguard of potentially successful revolutionary struggle both in all Black movements as well as in integrated efforts.

As examples of these we would cite: Touissant L'Overture and the beautiful Haitian Revolution; the slave revolts led by Nat Turner; Denmark Vesey and Gabriel Prosser; the Populist Movement, and the labor movement of the 30's in this country. Common to all of these movements were two things, their failure and the reason why they failed. These movements failed because they were betrayed from within or in the case of the integrated movements by the white leadership exploiting the racist nature of the white workers they led. We, of course, must avoid this pitfall and purge our ranks of any traitors and lackeys that may succeed in penetrating this organization. At this point we loudly proclaim that we have learned our lesson from history and we shall not fail. So it is that we who are the hope of Black people and oppressed people everywhere dedicate ourselves to the cause of liberation to build the world anew, realizing that only a struggle led by Black workers can triumph our powerful reactionary enemy.

II. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE

Our purpose is to come together as Black workers to relieve the long suffering of our people under this demon system of racist exploitation. Our sole objective is to break the bonds of white racist control over the lives and destiny of Black workers with the full understanding that when we successfully carry out this mammoth task, relief will be brought to people all over the world oppressed by our common enemy. With stakes so high the enemy will undoubtedly resist with great ferocity, this tide of change that will sweep over him and his system like a mighty storm.

We must gear ourselves in the days ahead toward getting rid of the racist, tyrannical, and unrepresentative unions as representation for Black workers, so that with this enemy out of the way we can deal directly with our main adversary, the white racist, owners of the means of production. In this way we will be able to overcome the obstacle that the enemy has erected between himself and Black workers that denies us the necessary confrontation in order to bring down this racist exploitative system.

III. PROCEDURE

To reach our objectives, League of Revolutionary Black Workers shall be a democratic organization demanding the full participation of all members. Our concept of democracy being, of course, different from the pseudo-democracy of the unions and other so-called democratic institutions in this dictatorial land. Each member is required to prepare himself for full participation in the activities and discussions of League of Revolutionary Black Workers through study and understanding the problems we face in carrying out our program. In our discussion, all relevant ideas should be raised and deliberated upon. And in our activities, great care must be exercised in planning and carrying them out to ensure their success. Meetings shall be chaired by an appointed chairman and an agenda will be circulated prior to meetings. Members will be required to exercise discipline over themselves to ensure an orderly meeting.

IV. RULES GOVERNING MEMBERSHIP

Membership in League of Revolutionary Black Workers will be contingent upon a member's ability to commit himself to the League of Revolutionary Black Worker's program and discharge his responsibilities to this organization. These responsibilities are:

1. Acceptance of the League of Revolutionary Black Worker's program which means full and resolute participation in activities and organizational affairs.
2. A member should be subject to evaluation and criticism of the members of the committee that he serves on.
3. The individual committees should set the criterion whereby membership is democratically granted, denied or withdrawn.
4. Membership is denied to all honkies due to the fact that said honkey has been the historic enemy, betrayer, and exploiter of Black people. Any relationship that we enter into with honkies will be only on the basis of coalition over issues.
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V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The duties of officers has been outlined in the discussion of structure. It should be further added that all officers are accountable to the membership and should be constantly scrutinized, evaluated, and subjected to constructive criticism in open discussion by his committee. Officers can be removed by a democratic vote within his compartment with recourse to the membership at large if so desired.

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LONG LIVE THE LEAGUE OF REVOLUTIONARY BLACK WORKERS!

CONSTITUTION

I. Preamble

We the super-exploited black workers of Chrysler's Hamtramck Assembly Plant recognize the historic role that we must play and the grave responsibility that is ours in the struggle for the liberation of black people in racist U.S.A. and people of color around the world from the yoke of oppression that holds all of us in the chains of slavery to this country's racist exploitative system. Because we recognize the magnitude of the problem and the dire predicament of our people, we do here proclaim our solemn duty to take this the first step on the road to final victory over the great common enemy of humanity; i.e. the monstrous U.S.A. and the aforementioned system of exploitation and degradation.

We fully understand after 5 centuries under this fiendish system and the heinous savages that it serves, namely the white racist owners and operators of the means of production. We further understand that there have been previous attempts by our people in this country to throw off this degrading yoke of brutal oppression, which have ended in failure. Throughout our history, black workers, first slaves and later as pseudo-freedmen, have been in the vanguard of potentially successful revolutionary struggles both in all black movements as well as in integrated efforts. As examples of these we would cite: Touissant L'Overture and the beautiful Haitian Revolution; the slave revolts led by Nat Turner; Denmark Vesey and Gabriel Prosser; the Populist Movement, and the labor movement of the 30's in this country. Common to all of these movements were two things, their failure and the reason why they failed. These movements failed because they were betrayed from within or in the case of the integrated movements by the white leadership exploiting the racist nature of the white workers they led. We, of course, must avoid this pitfall and purge our ranks of any traitors and lackeys that may succeed in penetrating this organization. At this point we loudly proclaim that we have learned our lesson from history and we shall not fail. So it is that we who are the hope of black people and oppressed people everywhere dedicate ourselves to the cause of liberation to build the world anew, realizing that only a struggle led by black workers can triumph our powerful reactionary enemy.

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We must gear ourselves in the days ahead toward getting rid of the racist, tyrannical, and unrepresentative U.A.W. as representation for black workers, so that with this enemy out of the way we can deal directly with our main adversary, the white racist management of Chrysler Corporation. In this way we will be able to overcome the obstacle that the enemy has erected between himself and black workers that denies us the necessary confrontation in order to bring down this racist exploitative system.

III. Procedure

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