

!Women of Iran CALL to Rise UP Support & Join the Rebellion of Women's Revolt against Forced Hijab!

MARCH 8, 2019 INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Call for demonstration on the occasion of International Women's Day, and commemoration of Iranian Women's Rebellion Against Mandatory Hijab!

Supporters of Iranian Women's Rebellion against Patriarchy and Mandatory Hijab, and against the capitalist Islamic fundamentalist regime, and against world imperialism invite everyone to join us at International Women's Day demonstration in Los Angeles!

Friday, March 8, 2019 at 3 pm
WESTWOOD VILLAGE
Intersection of WESTWOOD BLVD. AND KINROSS AVE

March 8, 2019 marks 40 years since the uprising of women against the Islamic Republic "Hijab Decree." In this year, we are also marking the first anniversary of the uprising of dispossessed masses and the impressive revolt of women against the hijab, popularly known as the "Women of Revolution Street." Today we are in the midst of growing strikes and protests by workers, farmers, students, teachers, nurses, pensioners, and other groups.

Therefore, we call on all of you to support the struggle of women against the forced hijab.

We consider the struggle against the forced hijab as a global struggle against all forms of patriarchal oppression and degradation of women by Islamic fundamentalist states and groups in the Middle East and North Africa and all over the world. This is a global struggle against male supremacy, racism and sexism by all of the capitalist imperialist states, fundamentalism, Christian fascism, and right wing political forces throughout the world – in the US, in Europe, in Russia as well as the Far East.

We, women and men, aim to unite the struggle against forced hijab with:

The struggle for political liberties, such as freedom of expression and association; social liberties; freedom of sexuality and the rights of LGBTQ+ people.

The struggle against the torture and imprisonment of political, labour, environmentalist, and social activists; the struggle for freedom of all political prisoners and those who have been jailed for their beliefs.

The struggle against all wars waged by imperialist and reactionary armies in Syria, Iraq, Yemen and Afghanistan, as well as all sectarian wars in this region.

The fight for the right of the masses to have access to science and a scientific understanding of the human and natural world we all inhabit; the fight against ignorance and religious superstition; and the struggle for the separation of state and religion.

The struggle against poverty, unemployment, dispossession and displacement of people, economic corruption, exploitation and plundering of the lives of workers, teachers, peasants and child labour; and the fight for equality, safety, and economic and social security for all people.

The struggle against all kinds of national, cultural, linguistic and religious discrimination against Kurds, Arabs, Turks, Afghans, Turkmens, Baloch people in Iran, as well as the struggle against the persecution of Dervish and Baha'i disciples; and the struggle for equality and freedom of all nations and cultures in Iran and in the Middle East and North Africa.

The struggle against environmental destruction, plundering of nature by capitalist relations of production which themselves give rise to parasitism and corruption; and the fight for the right of people to clean air, revival of marshlands, safeguarding rivers, forests and lakes for the future generations on the planet earth.

Thus, we say to the Islamist regime: beware, beware—we, the people ARE TOGETHER.

The emancipation of women concerns all of humanity. A society in which half of its people are second class citizens is a suffocating society. Thousands of years ago, women's oppression emerged with the rise of private property and exploitation. Today, patriarchal and male supremacist relations have their roots in the functioning of capitalist relations of production, which also produce all of the other problems we face, including imperialist wars, poverty, unemployment, destruction of the environment, etc. Therefore, we want a world without exploitation, discrimination, oppression and repression, wars and destruction of the environment. We want a society that considers not only every woman, but every human being, regardless of their gender, race, identity, nationality, and beliefs, as a full human being. In the society we imagine and are striving for, everybody would have equal possibilities to fulfil their potential. a society within which the blossoming of each person is required for the blossoming of all.

We call upon all women and men involved in different social movements to join and defend our struggle for an unconditional abolition of mandatory hijab, and Sharia laws, as well as uprooting women's oppression of all kinds. Without the emancipation of women, none of us is free.

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