

THE Covid 19: FINDINGS AND THE LESSONS

--A crisis without sanitary precedent which amplifies the inequalities social and levels of development

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The pandemic of Covid 19 that has already infected , to 19 April in April , more than 2.3 million of people , caused the death of over 160,000 others in the world and forced confinement for more than half of humanity , and which spares not also our country, only knows no borders but strikes a world dominated by inequalities social and levels of development , garish . Its impact economic and social without precedent , dig even further the gap of inequality . These are the social strata disinherited from the already precarious living conditions , low wage earners , occasional workers , unemployed , large families crowded into cramped housing , women of the popular strata especially , undocumented migrants, homeless and homeless, and people living in misery and poverty , that in support and are referred to in support in a future very close , the consequences more serious and more dramatic . In the United States , the virus kills in the proportions disproportionate , stunning blacks, the poor and workers of the most exposed professions, deliverymen , garbage collectors , bus drivers, cashiers or aids caregivers ... The African- Americans represent 33% of hospitalizations related to pandemic when they only account for 13% of the population. This gap is particularly important in Wisconsin, where the blacks represent 70% of the deaths so they do count for 26% of the population. It is just as high in Chicago (67% of deaths for only 32% of the population), or even in Louisiana (70% of deaths for 32% of the population), according to figures from the Washington Post.

- A health crisis which exposes the scale of the liberal demolition in the world

Faced with an epidemic deadly rampant , the people measure with fear and anger , the extent of damage caused to the system health public by the policy breaks systematic utilities, practiced for decades for by all the governments in the service of capital , regimes more concerned with the health of financial markets than that of populations. From 2011 to 2018, the Commission EU has asked 63 times to its States members to reduce the costs health and / or to privatize . The inventory of waste is edifying . Shortages of masks, gels, antibacterial , of bottles of oxygen , tests medical , inadequate structures host hospital , lack of equipment medical , respirators particular ... As for the temple of capitalism world , the richest country in the world, the United States , the countries most struck the world and more bereaved , coronavirus, with more than 735,000 cases of contamination and over 39,000 deaths (balance sheet of 19 April), he has , everything simply , no system health public . The systems social based on the law brazen profit represents the negation even of needs required by the preservation of health human .

-A crisis health that puts in evidence the superiority of systems health built under socialism and the regime of planning scientific center

The systems health built under socialism and the regime of the planning scientific center based on the needs popular , show , the eyes of the world around , their superiority . It is China, Russia and Cuba who come to the rescue of Italy , the 8th economic power in the world , in health distress . A world struck by the pandemic , discovers , and despite the wars economic , ideological and media conducted without respite against this citadel unbeaten of socialism , the great advance Cuba socialist in the areas of prevention and hygiene , the taking in charge of care medical , the quality of health infrastructure, the level of high qualification and competence of staff medical and nursing , the degree of development of the teaching of sciences medical and infrastructure research medical and biological research and medical science laboratories . We could mention also managing copy of the epidemic coronavirus by Vietnam countries of 90 million people that has zero deaths and that is the first country to develop a test kit rapid , effective and affordable in a months . Or Kerala, a state led by the party communist , the first hit by the coronavirus in India and that is , for the time , managed to curb the spread of the virus.

- A crisis health global , big upheaval economic and social and exacerbation at the time , the clashes inter imperialist and contradictions of class .

In the camp of allies Atlantic , is the saving -qui- may , in testimony , the embezzlement scandal , in a pure sense of saves -qui- can , tag 3ala leads tag (the law of the jungle capitalist) of Chinese shipments of masks, hijackings perpetrated by the United States and certain countries of the European Union , to the detriment of their allies . Or the decision Trump to withdraw in full pandemic , the contribution of the US to funding of the Organization World Health (WHO). Nearly 90% of the number total of people infected and as for deaths recorded worldwide since the beginning of the epidemic , have been recorded in the countries of the "coalition Western " (USA , EU European NATO). It is this camp that will pay the highest price both on a human and an economic level (inevitable recession , possible economic crisis).

The campaign of demonization targeting China and Russia , designated as both threats main to the security of the West , has already begun .

The bourgeoisie, its media and its elites are already preparing the minds for the new sacrifices that will be asked of the people to " save the economy " , to subordinate the management of the health crisis to the profit imperatives of the big bosses and bankers . Today , bosses, bankers , elite liberal and governesses , concoct already note salt to provide the workers and peoples to heal the wounds economic of the pandemic and it give blood nine : lengthening of working hours, abolition of leave , decrease of wages , put the unemployment , etc. The major objective of capital is to leave with the maximum of means at its disposal in the race for profit. It will be placed in competitive global capitalism for the conquest of markets , to find to new sources of profit. Global capitalist competition will be fierce . It will need to provide the means to exploit more the workers for it to put in question the achievements social high struggle .

--A crisis health which raises the veil on the consequences ruinous of choice of class imposed on our country for over thirty years.

In Algeria , the epidemic of Covid 19 lifts the veil on the fiasco on all the line of the route designed as a substitute for that of developing National decade 1970 and the extent of vulnerabilities structural she has generated , translated in the serious weakening of the socio- economic , political and institutional bases of the independent national state and the growing social insecurity of large popular strata .

The pandemic we reached the time where our system health notoriously exceeded , lives a state of disrepair blatant, accordingly direct blows repeated that he had inflicted the choice of class ruinous taxed in the country for over thirty years. The alarming state of preparation of our health system is the direct result of choices and policies based on the privatization and commercialization of health.

--A state administratively and technically weak

Amputee since more than thirty years , from its planning instruments, and therefore of any size to medium and long terms , the development economic of its tools of intervention Economic and its framing qualified and experienced .

--A devitalized and powerless economic structure

While China Socialist , taking advantage of its economy largely planned and under control of the state was quickly able to mobilize its tool industry to meet the new needs created by the epidemic , in Algeria , the breaking of the sector public and desertification industrial that it has caused for more than 30 years , the scuttling of teaching technique and privatization , will leave more to the country than economy without consistency productive or technological , undermined by informal that we are of no help in the context of the pandemic response . Done oh how revealing of this recession , everyone could see how privatization and sell-off of mills public have delivered supplies to the population in semolina , the shortages and speculation .

- A system of remuneration unfair , intolerable and scandalous .

It is not those , and those who fight the daily to save lives, or ones and those that allow the country to continue to turn , nor those and those that invest in research and production of equipment and means of

protection health and a way general , work productive (even the most qualified) , which occupy the top of the pyramid of income .

Those who are the first lines of the battle for life at peril of their , what does are not the big winners of liberalization covered by largess and privileges exorbitant who have squandered the hundreds of billions of dollars and the cohort of their servants zealous in the devices of the state .

This summit is occupied without consideration social corresponding with those who accumulate , superprofits of the oligarchy and of the economy bazaar, holders of annuities sovereign , high income wage and income from rent real estate , agricultural , monopoly of availability of foreign currency, income free of any constraint , provided all tax practically , the system tax being magnanimous in their regard .

The Covid 19 reshuffles the cards

The Algerians , without exception, government included , are facing an enemy deadly , invisible strikes humanity entire , without distinction.

This gives epidemiological unprecedented imposes imperative vital priority to save the health and lives of our people , the protection of layers exposed and vulnerable , the preservation of the security and the stability of our country. The priority is the health front.

The priorities undeniable the fight against the pandemic have put on the defensive coalition of the currents liberals and reactionaries who have dominated without sharing, Hirak and steps weekly .

Rally motley to beyond the cleavage secular-Islamist , this vast social arc active and acting layers medium , in majority of obedience liberal , with the emergence and the rise is the result of decades of liberalization economic , which they have been great winners , brings together in an alliance against -nature on a basis transclassiste nature of identity (Berber "Kasbah Bab El Oued Imazighens and Islamic " Allah or Akbar " " Doula Madania machi Zaskaria "-State civil and not military) , the current pro- Western and currents Islamists who aspire to this , to play a role leading policy, to take power . Once released , the icons of Hirak are eager to make business leaders Islamists , while a former leader of the SMIP is displayed in Paris, exchanging a handful hands warm with the head of the organization Islamic Rachad which calls for a " Peaceful attachment " (ichtibak silmia) with the security forces .

The pandemic them was kidnapped , brutally and radically , a means of strong political pressure, occupation periodic and regular street, while the containment partial or total- closure of mosques , the stadiums , cafes, restaurants, theaters festivals, transport, in particular , and the prohibition of rallies - has reduced considerably their capacity of mobilization , action and nuisance.

The closing of borders and the priorities of the fight against coronavirus, besides sea , including in the agenda of the media , the have cut from their brains and their sponsors who were flying in the shadow of maneuver strategic , insidious , of destabilization and of reconquest neocolonial of the Algeria .

They are baffled by the stopping of agitation the Friday so they had intended to do more with provocations, all the days , to create a climbing toward chaos. The population had not followed them, but they were counting on their agitators to create a new situation thanks to a new fact. But the new fact has been coronavirus that has been in against of their goals: stop brutal of Hirak and prospects for mobilization around the recovery of the country; announced the reorientation of policy outside the country ... The opposite of what they wanted ...

Coalition founded on the negation of acquired national undoubted of the Algeria independent , the achievements of the War of Liberation and those built in from the void left by the colonialism , the price of the efforts made by several generations of Algerians , this movement professes a revisionist colonial history which opens the way to a discount in case of foundations novembristes (in the sense of 1 November 1954) of the State National.

The hatred of the national state which forms the real heart of the ideological matrix of identity of these currents has gone so far as to minimize and trivialize , even even deny the reality of the gravity of the pandemic , by publicly hammering that this disease was a Tebboune's invention to break the hirak or that the coronavirus was a lesser evil than power . The demonstration on 56th Friday , the 13 of March, was drained of thousands of people in Algiers as a bravado in the context of the pandemic of Covid-19; we could even read on a sign "With the corona, we have a 97% chance of getting out . With you , it in not a no . "

This bravado was expressed in a particularly virulent and irresponsible way in the slogan "Corona-Cha3b khawa-khawa " (that is to say " brotherhood between the people and the corona ").

Caressing the purpose unacknowledged and shameful to create the conditions for the epidemic reaches , in our country, a magnitude non- controllable , these currents adventurist and irresponsible to have been

forced to put on mute, facing the requirement vital to mobilize all the resources of the country, including the state and government , in the war against the deadly epidemic .

Obsessively focused on the " illegitimacy " of power , they will manifest , today , no empathy for the victims of the coronavirus and are completely silent and absent on the front of the mobilization and solidarity acting to support the efforts and work courageous and filled abnegation of personal medical and nursing and of all those who are the front lines of this battle to save our people and our country. Despite a system , structures and personal health highly qualified , fruit of the decade of developing national and progress social, dismantled and destroyed since the change heading liberal of years four to twenty , the state has succeeded , thanks to strengths patriotic competent and dedicated , to mobilize the little that remained of ways to take in loaded , the best possible fight against the pandemic .

The masses Popular have need of solidarity concrete , acts mobilisers who give of hope , no empty and hollow slogans. What do they suggest , these trends, in this sense ? Nothing .

They cling , in spreading the rumors , but in fact , they are isolated in relation to new issues that have emerged . The cleavage takes place naturally . A counter of their nihilism of the State National, the superiority of states centralized strengths of their planning in the fight against the coronavirus appears the eyes of the world around .

One of their little " ideologues " down range , artificially most in view , projected by their sponsors, has recently expressed a rage that impotence in an article on a site electronic , of extreme violence that attacks personal and of insults , against the president of the republic .

Coalition in Hirak , these strengths are saying to the opposition , are born , to the exception of the FFS paralyzed by a crisis chronicle of leadership, based on the new current liberal who handed in due to the hinge of the years 1980 / 1990, the socialist option of the country and which gave birth to a multi-party system based on religion, regional , clan , linguistics ..., without real political or ideological pluralism . They have all subscribed to the political liberal put in work since the beginning of the decade in 1990 which , in particular , the Plan of adjustment structural IMF have made some in different moments of the team governmental who are succeeded since 1990 have passed the laws for reforms liberal of the sectors of health, of education , commerce outside of tourism , from agriculture etc , have supported the 4th and 5th mandates Bouteflika, without mention of responsibilities leading that these figures of " opposition " have assumed in the institutions of the parasitic and predatory liberal order . Their experts and their think-thanks, as the media under their influence, requested by the former authority , were all spread wildly the recipes liberal made austerity , of privatization and opening to the capital abroad . Absent of their concerns , the question essential of developing national, its content socio- economic , political conditions and conditions specific to the stimulus , like that of the defense of the rights democratic and trade union of workers .

Since the 22 February 2019, this coalition has applied with obstinacy and unqualified no , to separate the vile practices mafia a system policy corrupting , predatory and parasitic , its foundation structural , about economic and social that the is secreted and fed and choose doctrines which have legitimized . To prevent that the immense and powerful rejection popular the system politicopolicier Toufiko-Bouteflikien no leads on delivery in case the current capitalist ruinous imposed in the country since more than three decades and in line with the imperatives of the global capitalist , Western or under guardianship khalidji .

Their calculations and their paris on a rise in the rate insurgency of movement - illustrated their attempts incessant of destabilization of the army of the early Hirak II until all recently - , until the overthrow of power by chaos at need , and the establishment of a " second republic " renewing the choice of class capitalists , with a system policy, facade plastered , the standards of democratic Western , have been deferred if not rendered foreclosed by the news gives epidemiological .

This conjuncture of temporary ebb of the liberal-reactionary street can and must be used to help the popular movement to emancipate with force and resolution of the ideological and political grip of the arc of the social forces of liberalism and their word order adventurists , to put in front its own political and socio claims democratic and to deploy its potential transformation of social revolutionaries . Our line of demarcation firm and unchanging must remain more than ever, the need for preservation of acquired historical of our people and the independence of our country.

--The terms and issues fundamental to the struggle classes have not changed , they will have even cured with the requirements and objectives of struggle that are born today in the fight for health, life, survival in

daily .

What lessons draw , right and already from this crisis ? The context today confirms fundamentally , our analysis of the consequences of the choice of class anti-social and anti- popular ruinous , introduced step by step from the designation of Chadli Bendjedid head of state , in 1979 and in the years 1980 and imposed by the terror , cunning and deceit in the years 1990 and 2000. More than ever is needed the imperative of building a production base and a policy of developing industrial country in favor of the needs of our people and the preservation of the independence of our country, policy based on the development in value of our potential skill workers , scientific and technological , to our rich experience and our resources material .

The problems specific to the productive base in the state of destruction advanced extreme in which , have reduced three decades of reform liberal , do can be discussed , today , without breaking with the approach economic liberal and its practices mafia and corruption in the course from a thirty years . The essential issue is to move from an economy dominated by an extroverted sector , technologically landlocked , dependent , in addition , on fluctuations in the international oil situation , coexisting with low- productivity activities , where the possibilities of technological development and gains of value added are limited , to an economy rooted , driven by activities highly productive , providing for better prospects absorption productive one hand opener educated and skilled , numerous and more in more feminine and opportunities for innovation and to increase the value added . An economy based on the endogenous effort of technical, economic , managerial , institutional , social innovation .

The truth , often forgotten , as the fell already a fact the report UNIDO 1990/1991, is that " the development economic is a process in the long term that has never been carried out in a single generation ."

Today , the treatment of the situation concrete novel created by this epidemic deadly runaway , requires the policies consequent to the height of the threat and the challenges immense that it imposes. It this is not, in fact , to imagine an approach in the form of a myriad of decisions short term , which would address that aspect partial , or even isolated . The reorientation of scale required and necessary , not can not go without breaks fundamental to operate and do can pass side of the question of choosing strategic to adopt. It is essential to dismantle the mechanisms and institutions of the anti political national who have sacrificed utilities to appetites classes parasitic and predatory and erected the tag 3ala leads tag capitalist to rule golden reports social .. This is an imperative of salvation National because their maintenance and their renewal in the context of the pandemic will , inevitably , push the country into a new crisis to impact policy, economic and social incalculable . It becomes more urgent than ever to reconnect with the ambition national of development of large capacity industrial , scientific and technological and give back to the State National 's planning instruments, regulation and intervention . The market is unable to think the industry of its own motion to himself and to think in a perspective of emancipation National . The determination policy is necessary .

Planning long term , policies of development that will define first the level national and where the state has a role essential to play , investments public, growth and development sustainable, strengthening the companies public must be given to the honor .

The workers , the youth , women, and a way general , the broadest layers popular , must make this claim of "return to a policy of developing national and progress social" axis strategic in their struggles democratic , social and political. It is this which constitutes the criterion for assessing fundamental to the political power of Abdelmajid Tebboune who in his speech of investiture , was pledged , among other , the revival of development national released from the dependence of foreign and hydrocarbons , protection of power purchase of workers , the pensioners and the most disadvantaged , access to housing for those who are in habitats precarious , less tax for the most disadvantaged , the revival of agriculture , the assistance to young people to create start-ups, satisfaction priority of needs national before export ... and internationally, it promises to work to preserve the peace with countries neighboring and win instead of the Algeria in the region . More than ever, in the context of pandemic , heavy dangers and mortgages of all kinds , these promises must be implemented / The workers and layers popular judge on parts .