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# Syria three years after and the essential solidarity

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## Three years of revolution

Activists in Aleppo distributed flyers in areas under the control of the regime that stated that the revolution continues until victory, until the downfall of the regime. This was part of the campaign "we resist despite the violence of the regime." The activists of this campaign also stated that peaceful means of resistance continue to be a tool of resistance in this revolution. An exhibition of pictures and of drawings by children in memories of the martyrs of the revolution was also organised in the free territories of Aleppo, in addition to a theater play telling the development of the years of the revolution. Other actions for the third anniversary of the revolution were also organised in free Aleppo, like covering a square of the pictures of the martyrs of the revolution and a campaign "the wall tells the story of the revolution" in which drawings were made on walls in various neighborhoods. " In the region of Idlib, a campaign has been launched by various groups of activists to commemorate the third year of the revolution. The campaign includes a variety of different events, including a demonstration with the songs of the beginning of the beginning of the revolution, painting walls in cities and villages with slogans of the revolution and the reasons why the revolution started, and a theater performance.

The Union of Free Syrian Students (UFSS) launched a new campaign called: "Pain and Hope: The Revolution Continues". For the commemoration of the ten years of Kurdish Intifada on March 12 2014, many demonstrations also occurred in various cities, including Amouda, Efrin, and Qamichlo. On March 8, the group "Syrian women initiative," launched a campaign calling for a democratic and pluralist state in which the rights of women are guaranteed.

## **The murderous regime and its allies**

The Syrian revolution is not dead, but its enemies grow stronger. The first is undoubtedly the killing machine of the regime, whose crimes against humanity continue to be highlighted: recently horrific images of 11,000 tortured prisoners in Damascus prisons before August 2013 were made public, and who died under torture and hunger... We should remember that only the political, military and economic assistance of its allies - Russia, Iran, Hezbollah and other sectarian militias - allow the Assad's regime to maintain itself and to regain ground military such as recently with the strategic city of Yabroud.

The second enemy is the reactionary Islamist forces that are increasing their influence and want an Islamic state, and which are financially supported by the Gulf monarchical regimes in total opposition to the goals of the revolution. They also attack revolutionary activists and use, just as the Assad regime, sectarianism to divide Syrians.

Meanwhile, the last conference in Geneva 2 showed that the will of the imperialist and regional powers, having re-included Assad as an interlocutor for the control of chemical weapons, is to reach an agreement on a negotiated political transition (a "Yemeni" solution) that maintain the structure of the regime as it is in the best interests of the so called "War against terrorism".

But the Syrian revolutionaries know that the regime will not accept anything else than its total victory, and they refuse to submit, as symbolized with a banner held on March 14 2014, which reads: "3 years of hunger and suffering, but 3 years of pride and dignity".

### **"For an internationalist solidarity"!**

Faced with this situation, international popular mobilization is more essential than ever. So, on Saturday March 15 2014, initiatives of solidarity with the uprising and against the repression of the Syrian people were held in many cities of France, Europe and the world. Essential but still too low, these initiatives must absolutely be consolidated.

In this context, the Revolutionary Left Current in Syria, despite its limited resources, continues its struggle alongside the revolutionary people both on a civil and military level. It established the "People's Liberation Faction" to join the military resistance, and launched a "call to all the leftist and socialist forces in the region and in the world to affirm clearly and firmly their highest degree of international solidarity, because the fate of our popular revolution will decide the fate of the revolutionary processes in the region, and even beyond its borders ».

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*For financial solidarity and the communiqué of the Syrian Revolutionary Current see:*

<http://syriafreedomforever.wordpress.com/2013/04/25/solidarity-with-the-syrian-revolution-and-solidarity-with-the-revolutionary-left-in-syria/>

On ESSF (article 29082), [Appeal for political and financial solidarity with Syrian revolutionaries](#) and (article 31382), [Third anniversary of Syrian the revolution: Creating the "People's Liberation factions" that upholds the program of the original popular revolution](#)

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