

**Statement of the Internationalist Commune of Rojava regarding the 12th congress of the PKK:
We as Internationalists, are part of this historical New Beginning!**

Between May 5-7 the PKK held its historical congress and declared that all activities under the name of PKK are halted and the party will dissolve itself. The armed struggle will stop in order to enter a new phase of Political and Democratic Struggle.

The congress was dedicated to the two valuable comrades, Heval Fuat (Ali Haydar Kaytan) as the symbol of loyalty to Rêbertî, truth and the holy life and Heval Riza Altun as the symbol of the comradeship of Freedom, who played an essential role in the foundation of the PKK and became martyrs. We remember them with deep love and bow our heads before their lifelong struggle and commitment for a Free Life.

Regarding the developments in the Middle East, especially in the frame of the 3rd World War, the call for Peace and a Democratic Society by Rêber APO became the start of a new era for the Middle East and the struggle for socialism and democracy in the world. Since the beginning of the 3rd World War, which Rêber APO marks at the time of the fall of the Soviet Union, in the Middle East, but also all over the world humanity has been going through a phase of enormous massacres, war and devastation. Women, society and nature are at the center of the attacks by the system of Capitalist Modernity. In this phase of the 3rd World War the crisis is reaching its peak. Increasing war situations from Kurdistan, Gaza until Pakistan and India, ongoing attacks on women, children and the youth, global ecological and economical catastrophes are just some of the facets of this war. A need for a societal, political and democratic solution becomes more urging than ever.

Rêber APO evaluated this situation and intervened in order to open a way for change and is leading the struggle of all democratic forces to a new beginning. On this behalf his call for the PKK to dissolve, and the party's answer, to hold its congress in order to dissolve itself are a courageous and ideological step.

The congress and its results are an important step for all of humanity and especially for all Democratic Forces. On this basis the PKK called for everyone to participate in the process for Peace and a Democratic Society. The PKK once more underlined, that **Nation-State-Socialism leads to defeat; Democratic Society leads Socialism to victory.** With this the PKK again emphasized their insistence on Socialism showing to the whole world that with the Paradigm of Rêber APO they swear to insist on the line of Democracy and Freedom and intensify their struggle on this basis.

For us as Internationalists, the call of Rêber APO and the 12th congress of the PKK have to be understood correctly in order to participate in a meaningful way: It is not an final end but the end of a phase and a new beginning for the struggle of Democracy and Socialism. The result of the congress also brings with it a role and a responsibility for all of us in this historical time. As internationalists, fighting against Nationalist approaches and standing up for democratic struggle, for all the peoples of the world, to insist on socialism in an internationalist way. For this, the call for the dissolution of the PKK by Rêber APO is also for us a call for renewal, as Duran Kalkan said at the congress:

"Why is this congress like our First Congress? Back then, there was a strong will for a new beginning. Now, there is a strong will to conclude that beginning historically. But this is not an end in the sense of termination. It is about ending one phase in order to pave the way for a newer, stronger, and more ambitious beginning."

From this we can understand that the PKKs struggle, based on 50 year heritage of freedom-struggle of Rêber APO, and the laying down of arms needs the right condition for a political struggle need to be layed out. This also means if the Turkish state will not develop these conditions, if the freedom of Rêber APO and its participation in this phase is not made possible, political steps can not be taken. With its dissolution the PKK presses Turkey's Grand National Assembly to play its role and live up to a historical responsibility to solve the conflict and take steps for the release of Rêber APO from captivity.

We are well aware that hegemonic powers and states have before used phases like this to liquidate Democratic and Socialist movements as the Turkish state has also used phases of dialogue to attack the movement. But the dissolution of the PKK is different from other movements histories of laying down arms and dissolution. The movement will insist even more in practicing the line of Rêber APO.

It is not right to say that with this step the aim is reached. Approaches of taking this as the end of the struggle are wrong. Especially in a phase like this we have to intensify our struggle and be aware of the special warfare that aims to confuse us. We should not fall for the narrative of the statist media which tells us that the PKK is surrendering and laid down arms because it is weak. These words aim to break our will and destroy our hope for an alternative to Capitalist Modernity. The PKK has full filled its historical role and its dissolution comes at its own choice, from a point of strength and is necessary to overcome overdue mentalities and open the path to renewal.

But how will this new beginning gain strength? It will become strong with right participation and the understanding of our historical responsibilities and tasks as internationalist youth. We, the youth, are the hope for a future. We can become an answer to the global crisis. We can see that today the attacks on the Middle East are not regional conflicts but have an international dimension. That's why we as internationalists have to be an answer. The Paradigm on the basis of Ecology, Women's Freedom and Democracy is a source of solution for society's problems around the world. Because we have the strength and energy to crush the patterns and borders that were forced upon us. Today even more we need to organize. Organize ourselves and organize the people around us. We need to built communes, popular councils, establish academies, educate ourselves and others, connect our struggles, organize self-defense and first and foremost intensify the struggle for the physical freedom of Rêber APO. The duty of our time is to develop a form of Internationalism that can give a powerful answer to needs of this historical moment. How can this new internationalism look like? To discuss this question with Internationalist youth all over the world can be a first step to progress.

We as Internationalist Commune of Rojava will join this phase and live up to the historical tasks and responsibilities and we call on all the internationalist youth to participate and to be an answer to a search for a solution all over the world!

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