

# FIGHT RACIST DEPORTATIONS!

OPEN LETTER TO FOREIGN STUDENTS AND WORKERS IN THE U.S.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

There are many millions of workers and students from other countries than U.S. living in the United States. Living in the U.S. for foreign workers and students means being subjected to the U.S. bosses' attacks on the living conditions of workers in general, e.g. high prices, high rents, unemployment, poor housing, etc. In addition foreign workers and students are subjected to special attacks and harassments.

Due to the combined effects of racism, national chauvinism and the immigration laws (the organ of the previous two), foreign workers and students are often forced to work at the lowest paying jobs at sub-union wages, often forced to scab on other workers in U.S. and also often denied the rights granted other U.S. workers. Many foreign workers and students have been deported and harassed by U.S. rulers, and this gets worse as conditions for making profits get worse for the rulers (energy crisis, Watergate, Competition from European, Japanese and Soviet bosses, etc.). Besides these difficulties in staying here in the U.S., we, foreign students and workers, are also concerned with problems in our different countries where our families and friends are suffering under the ruthless oppression of imperialism and local reaction.

We must start to do something about these conditions, to build a fightback against these oppressive conditions and have a decent life here in the U.S. and back in our countries. When we do this, the U.S. government might try to stop us by stepping up its harassments and deportation threats. These threats hang over our heads to force us to be submissive and passive when we are actually boiling with anger. We must therefore struggle against these racist deportation threats and harassments.

We foreign workers and students will not allow U.S. rulers or rulers anywhere else to terrorize us into passively accepting oppression and exploitation.

We can defeat these racist deportations if we unite. Experiences in Canada and West Coast show that the immigration harassment could be stopped if we dare to struggle. We must join together with progressive U.S. workers and students and exercise our inherent right to fight for a good life. Our security can only be obtained by our united strength.

The W.I.N. appeals to all foreign workers and students to come together so we can defend ourselves collectively. We propose an organization "Committee Against Racist Deportations" (CARD) which will not only give some legal aid to immigration victims but more importantly develop a mass struggle (demonstrations, forums, petitions, etc.) against deportations, visa discriminations, and other racist immigration laws. We urge foreign students and workers to write to us about the racist immigration laws and other forms of harassments they have experienced.

If you agree with this open letter and would like to help circulate it, please cut out this page and use the letter as a petition among your fellow workers and students. Then mail the petition to us.

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