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THEME OF THE MONTH

The theme for this month's newsletter is Reparations, Diaspora engagement, and the general importance of African Sovereignty.

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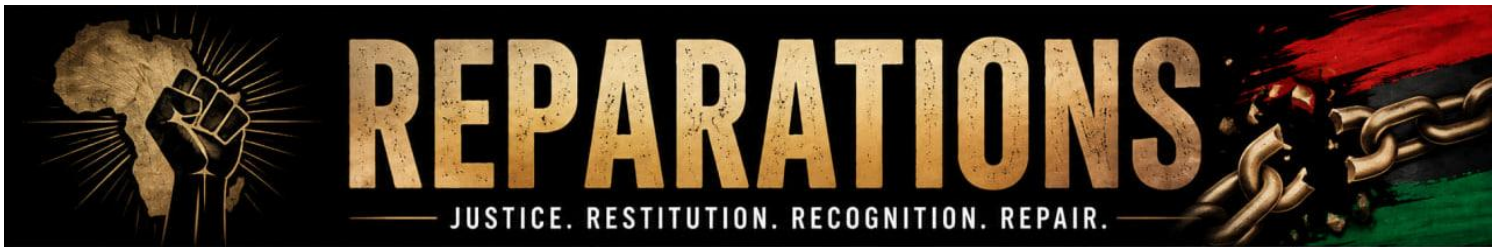
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EDITORIAL

FROM MORAL APPEAL TO LEGAL DEMAND: REPARATIONS ENTERS ITS SECOND STAGE!!

A PPF Editorial for July 2026

There are moments when a movement changes shape, when decades of moral appeal harden into something the powerful can no longer wave away with an apology and a plaque. July 2026 was one of those moments for the global Reparations movement, and Africa and the Caribbean should recognise it as such. The month opened with the shadow of June's High-Level Consultative Conference on Reparations in Accra still hanging over international diplomacy, a gathering that brought African governments, Caribbean states, legal scholars and civil society together under one unified strategy for the first time. It closed with the CARICOM Reparations Commission standing on British soil, in the heart of the University of London, declaring that the argument had moved past the stage of persuasion. Professor Sir Hilary Beckles, chairman of the commission, put it plainly: the movement is now entering its second stage, the stage of negotiation. Reparatory justice, he said, is the cry of the Caribbean, the cry of Africa, the cry of Asia, the cry of every descendant of those who paid with their lives and their labour.



This is not rhetoric floating free of substance. In March, the United Nations General Assembly passed a Ghana-led resolution declaring the transatlantic trafficking of enslaved Africans and chattel slavery the gravest crime against humanity in modern history, a resolution that carried 123 votes with only silence from the nations most implicated. By July, CARICOM heads of government had approved a revised Ten-Point Plan for Reparatory Justice, explicitly framing reparations as a matter of international human rights law rather than historical sentiment. Barbados Prime Minister Mia Mottley has been unambiguous about what this repair is meant to address: the underdevelopment that colonialism engineered and that the Global South is still taxed for today. And in London, delegations pressed British parliamentarians and Church of England clergy directly, no longer content with symbolic acknowledgement of harm.

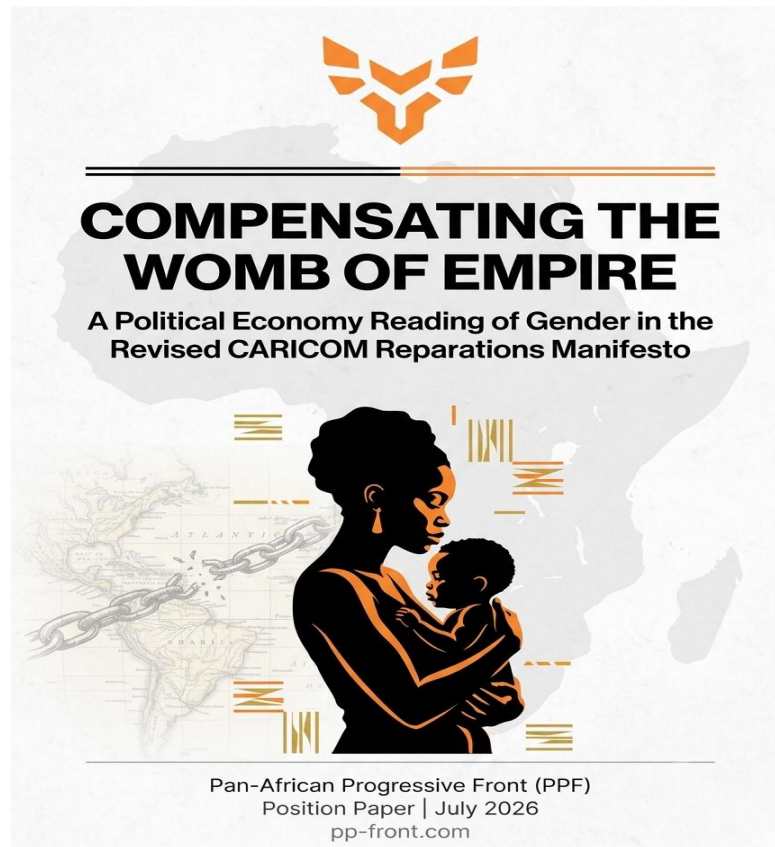
What makes July different is the convergence. Africa's diplomatic weight, expressed through the Accra conference and the African Union's own reparations agenda, is now moving in lockstep with Caribbean legal strategy and diaspora organising in the United States and Britain. A framework is emerging to include stateless descendants of the trade who have historically fallen outside any national reparations claim. This is reparatory justice being built as infrastructure, not as an appeal for sympathy.

For PPF, this month confirms what we have argued consistently: the debt owed to Africa and its diaspora is not rhetorical, it is structural, quantifiable and overdue. Reparations is not about relitigating history for its own sake. It is about repairing the economic architecture that history built and that still governs who is rich and who is poor today. The movement now has resolutions, commissions and a negotiating posture. What it needs next is pressure, sustained, coordinated and unrelenting, from every government, every diaspora community and every institution that claims to stand for justice in the Global South. July showed the door has opened. August and beyond must show that we intend to walk through it.

#ReparationsNow #ReparatoryJustice #ReparationsCantWait #PayTheDebt

NEWS & STATEMENTS

PPF RELEASES POSITION PAPER ON GENDER AND REPARATIONS IN THE REVISED CARICOM MANIFESTO



The Pan-African Progressive Front (PPF) released a position paper examining the gender provisions of the revised Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Ten-Point Plan for Reparations, unveiled by Barbados Prime Minister Mia Mottley at the Accra reparations conference in June and subsequently approved by CARICOM Heads of Government.

The paper, titled "Compensating the Womb of Empire: A Political Economy Reading of Gender in the Revised CARICOM Reparations Manifesto," focuses on a provision new to the 2026 manifesto, an explicit and freestanding demand for compensation for gender-based violence and assault on family. The original 2013 ten-point plan treated the harms of enslavement without specific reference to gender. The revised text grounds its new demand in historical data, noting that enslaved women are estimated to have made up roughly three in ten of the twenty million Africans forcibly transported across the Atlantic, with researchers cited in the manifesto estimating that over a million enslaved women endured direct sexual violence.

CLICK THE LINK FOR THE [FULL POSITION PAPER](#) FOR DOWNLOAD.

THE SMG STANDS WITH COMRADE HAMMA HAMMAMI AGAINST CALLS FOR HIS ASSASSINATION

The Socialist Movement of Ghana (SMG) stands in full and unconditional solidarity with Comrade Hamma Hammami, Secretary-General of the Workers' Party of Tunisia, against the campaign of incitement against him and threats of assassination.

On Monday, 13 July 2026, a video circulated on social media showing a man openly with his face uncovered calling on the Tunisian authorities to arrest Comrade Hammami over his party's political positions. He did not stop there. He went on to call for the assassination of Comrade Hammami and other opposition figures, declaring his own personal readiness to carry out the killings. He accused Comrade Hammami of apostasy and treason in the most degrading terms. Tunisia's Public Prosecutor's Office has taken no action. Silence in the face of an open call to murder is not neutrality. It is complicity. It manufactures the very climate of impunity in which such threats are converted into action.

Let us be clear about what these recalls. Tunisia has lived through this before. During the rule of the Ennahda Movement in 2012 and 2013, an atmosphere of religious denunciation and sanctioned violence against the left produced the assassinations of Chokri Belaid and Mohamed Brahmi, two socialist leaders murdered for the crime of organising the working class against reaction and capital. What is happening to Comrade Hammami today is not an isolated provocation. It is a continuation of that same pattern: the branding of the left as apostate and traitorous, followed by a state that looks away while its opponents are marked for death. This is what reaction looks like when it cannot defeat the left in the realm of argument, it turns to the language of elimination.

On 16 July 2026, fifteen socialist, communist, and progressive parties and organisations across the Arab world and North Africa from Morocco to Sudan, from Lebanon to Palestine, from Kuwait to Tunisia itself, issued a joint statement condemning this incitement and holding the Tunisian regime responsible for Comrade Hammami's physical safety. The SMG adds its voice to theirs. This is not a Tunisian matter alone. It is a matter for every organisation, on every continent, that has ever built a movement against capital and its enforcers because the criminalisation of the left in Tunis today is a rehearsal for the criminalisation of the left everywhere tomorrow.

SMG therefore demands:

1. That the Tunisian state guarantees the immediate physical safety of Comrade Hamma Hammami and all opposition figures named in this and related campaigns of incitement.
2. That the Public Prosecutor's Office of Tunisia open an immediate criminal investigation into the individual who threatened assassination on camera, and prosecute him.
3. That the Tunisian authorities publicly and unambiguously repudiate the campaign of denunciation against the Workers' Party, and cease any conduct that lends it cover or legitimacy.
4. That revolutionary and progressive forces internationally remain vigilant, publicise this case, and press their own governments and international bodies to demand accountability from Tunis.

The murders of Chokri Belaid and Mohamed Brahmi were not accidents of history. They were the price the Tunisian left paid for a state that would not act until it was too late. We will not pay that price twice. The SMG stands with Comrade Hamma Hammami, with the Workers' Party of Tunisia, and with the Tunisian people in their unbroken struggle for freedom, democracy, and justice.

Long live Comrade Hamma Hammami! The workers united will never be defeated.

SIGNED, Blaise Tulo

For General Secretary.

PAN-AFRICAN PROGRESSIVE FRONT CONDEMNS ASSASSINATION THREAT AGAINST TUNISIAN OPPOSITION LEADER



The Pan-African Progressive Front (PPF) has issued a statement condemning what it describes as a serious assassination threat against Tunisian opposition leader Hama Hammami, Secretary-General of the Tunisian Workers' Party, following the circulation of a video in which a supporter of President Kais Saied allegedly called for his killing.

In the statement released from its headquarters in Accra, the PPF said the video, which began circulating on July 13, openly incited violence against Hammami and other opposition figures through threats and accusations of treason and apostasy. The organization expressed concern that the video reportedly remained online for several days without being removed and that no action had been taken against its author.

Concluding its statement, the PPF condemned what it described as "criminal and terrorist rhetoric" aimed at silencing political dissent. The organization said it would hold the Tunisian state responsible for Hammami's safety and called on progressive, Pan-Africanist and revolutionary movements across Africa and the Global South to express solidarity with the Tunisian Workers' Party and other democratic forces.

FIND THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT FOR THE FULL STATEMENT [PPF STATEMENT ON TUNISIA \(ASSASSINATION\)](#).

MOZAMBIQUE CONVENES THE NATION TO DESIGN ITS OWN FUTURE



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Mozambique convened a high-level international conference in Maputo, bringing together government institutions, academics, the private sector, civil society, youth leaders, the diaspora and development partners to shape the country's development path towards 2050. Held under the theme "From Assessment to Action," the gathering reviews 25 years of Mozambique's development journey while setting strategic priorities for the years ahead. It is organised by the Ministry of Planning and Development with support from the United Nations Development Programme and other partners. Discussions centre on economic diversification, human capital, governance reform, climate resilience, sustainable financing and digital transformation.

The conference came as Mozambique rolled out new long-term frameworks, including the National Development Strategy 2025 to 2044, the Thinking Mozambique 2050 Vision and the Government's Five- Year Programme 2025 to 2029. A key focus is ensuring women, young people, students and diaspora communities help shape the national vision, not just government technocrats. The initiative aligns with the African Union's Agenda 2063 and reflects a broader commitment to African led, rather than externally dictated, development planning.

[READ FULL STORY HERE](#)

"REPARATIONS IS ABOUT RESETTING THE WORLD"



In a wide-ranging interview published this month, Ghanaian Pan-Africanist and Socialist Movement of Ghana General Secretary Kwesi Pratt Jr. argued that the transatlantic slave trade stripped Africa of its strongest people, its scientists and its inventors, permanently damaging the continent's development trajectory. He traced a direct line from slavery through classical colonialism to today's neocolonialism, insisting no financial payout could ever repair such civilizational theft. Pratt welcomed the UN General Assembly's March 2026 resolution, championed by President Mahama, declaring the slave trade humanity's gravest crime, calling its 123 votes passage a historic show of African and Caribbean unity. Still, he warned the resolution is nonbinding and toothless without deeper reform, particularly Africa's continued exclusion from the UN Security Council. For Pratt, true reparatory justice demands a complete restructuring of the global economic order, including the World Bank, IMF and WTO. He rejected arguments that African complicity in the slave trade weakens the case for reparations, noting the benefits of that trade built Western wealth, not African wealth. His conclusion was blunt: "the only path forward for Africa is collective self-reliance, and that path has one name, socialism."

ENGAGE FULL INTERVIEW VIA [this link...](#)

CÔTE D'IVOIRE WELCOMES THE AFRICAN DIASPORA

RIGHT TO RETURN. REPARATIONS. RECONNECT. INVEST.

- ★ **THE GOVERNMENT OF CÔTE D'IVOIRE** is addressing the Right to Return and Reparations for Afro-descendants who wish to reside or do business in the country.
- 👥 **REACHING THE AFRICAN DIASPORA:** Including Haiti, Martinique, Guadeloupe and other French-speaking communities.
- 📅 **VIP/DELEGATION VISIT TO ABIDJAN:** 2–12 August 2026
- 📞 **FOR DETAILS & PARTICIPATION:** Access Africa Home and Abroad African Diaspora United

Flags of Côte d'Ivoire, Haiti, and the French Republic are shown. Below them are the flags of the French Republic, the flag of the French Republic, and the flag of the French Republic. To the right is the text 'TOGETHER FOR A STRONGER FUTURE' with a map of Africa.

The Government of Côte d'Ivoire is advancing efforts to strengthen ties with the African diaspora through initiatives centred on the **Right to Return**, investment, and reparative justice for people of African descent. As part of this outreach, Afro-descendants interested in relocating, investing, or establishing business ventures in Côte d'Ivoire are being encouraged to explore new opportunities in the country. The initiative extends to diaspora communities across the globe, including French-speaking Caribbean territories such as Haiti, Martinique, and Guadeloupe. According to organisers, a **VIP delegation to Abidjan is scheduled for 2–12 August 2026**, offering participants the opportunity to engage with government officials and learn more about the country's diaspora engagement agenda. The visit is expected to provide insight into Côte d'Ivoire's vision for reconnecting with the global African diaspora while promoting investment, cultural exchange, and long-term partnerships. Although details of the programme have been circulated through organisers rather than formal public government announcements, it reflects a broader continental movement to deepen Africa–diaspora relations. For further information about participation and the proposed itinerary, interested individuals are invited to contact **Access Africa Home and Abroad** or **African Diaspora United**.

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ABOUT PPF

The Pan-African Progressive Front (PPF) is an international non-governmental organisation headquartered in Accra, Ghana. It stands at the forefront of the fight for Africa's unification and is committed to coordinating and supporting progressive movements across Africa and the diaspora, with the goal of advancing the true interests and future of the continent.

Inspired by the vision of Dr. Kwame Nkrumah and other Pan-Africanists, PPF believes that Africa's destiny must rest in the hands of its own people, and that its future lies in its political and economic unity — serving as the bedrock of our strength and continental sovereignty.

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