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Pan-African Progressive Front Newsletter

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## MARCH 2026

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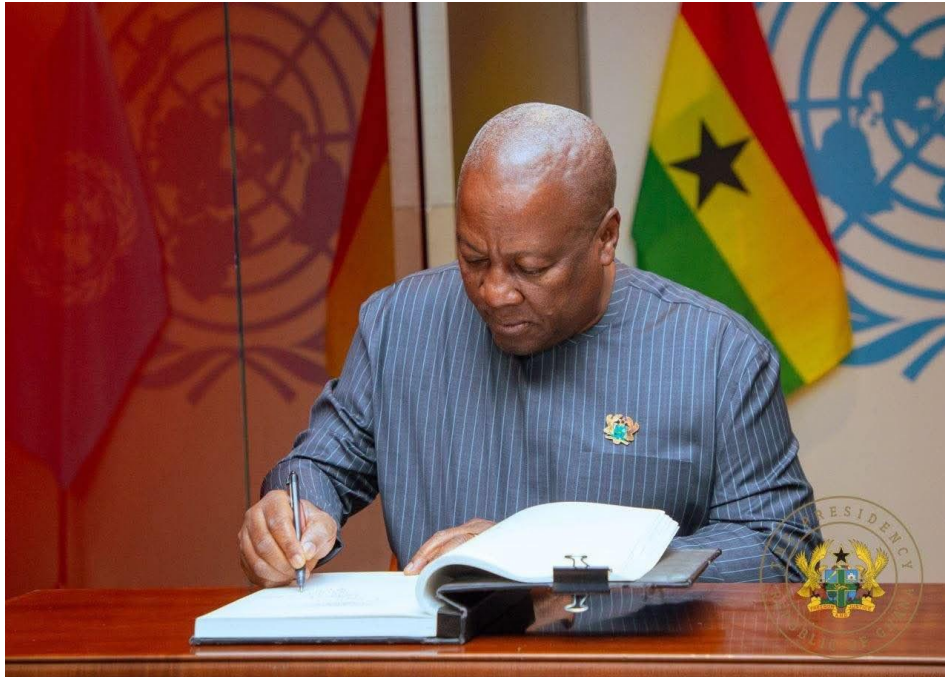
*The March edition of the PPF Monthly Newsletter presents a curated compilation of statements and releases issued by African nations and progressive institutions, reflecting on key developments and events that unfolded throughout the month across Africa and the wider global landscape.*

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PPF PRESS STATEMENT

## UN Declares Transatlantic Slave Trade the Gravest Crime Against Humanity



The Pan-African Progressive Front (PPF) has welcomed the passage of United Nations General Assembly Resolution **A/80/L.48** on 25 March 2026 as a defining moment in the long struggle for reparatory justice, while making clear that the work is only beginning. The countries that accumulated generational wealth through the enslavement of African peoples have not suddenly changed course. Justice of this magnitude is never volunteered. It must be organised, sustained, and demanded through the collective power of peoples and movements.

The resolution, formally declaring the trafficking and racialised chattel enslavement of Africans the gravest crime against humanity in recorded history, was passed on the International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade.

The resolution was championed by the African Union and backed in full solidarity by CARICOM, carried to the world stage by Ghana's President John Dramani Mahama, AU Champion for Advancing the Cause of Justice and Reparations. It marks the culmination of years of coordinated diplomatic effort — principled, patient, and unapologetically African.

The PPF notes that those who find themselves unable to support the naming of this historical crime must reckon with what that position says about their relationship to justice and accountability.

The PPF is urging progressives, trade unions, student movements, women's organisations, and all peoples' formations across Africa and the diaspora to translate this diplomatic achievement into a sustained and living mass movement. The reparations struggle now moves from the chambers of the UN into the streets, markets, campuses, and union halls of a continent and its diaspora. The debt is acknowledged. The reckoning must follow.

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## Landmark Online Gathering of Pan-African Progressives Concludes with Unified Call for Action

The Pan-African Progressive Front (PPF) has successfully concluded its Online Conference on Reparative Justice and Colonial Accountability, held on March 30, 2026. The virtual gathering brought together 97 participants from 36 countries and organisations across Africa and the diaspora, marking a significant step in digital Pan-African organising. The conference served as a key platform for engagement ahead of the upcoming Geneva Forum on Reparative Justice and Colonial Accountability.

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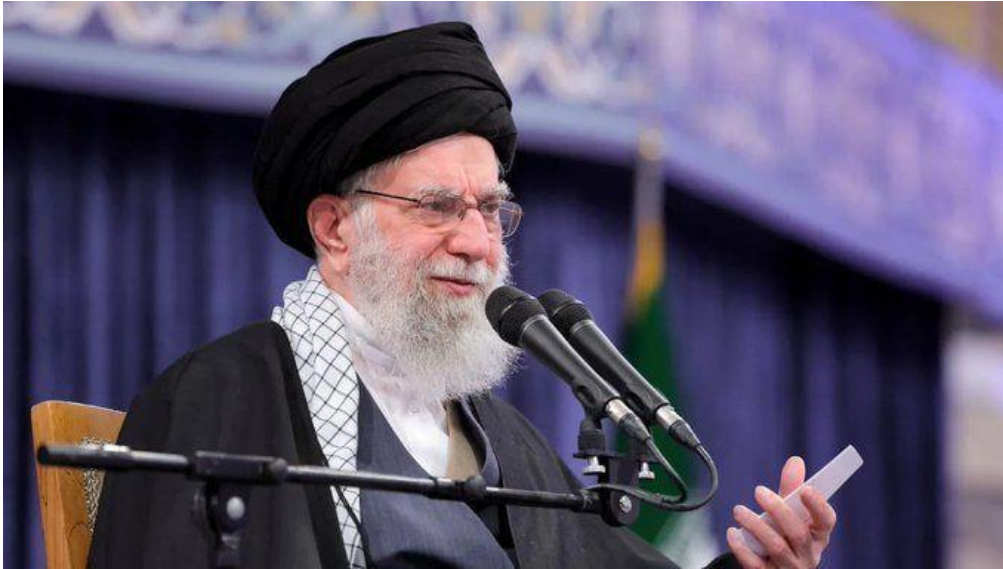
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## Progressive Organisations Issue Global Solidarity Statement Against Military Aggression Toward Iran

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A broad coalition of progressive organisations, trade unions, youth and women’s movements, and Pan-African networks has issued a joint international statement condemning military aggression against the Islamic Republic of Iran and calling for urgent de-escalation and respect for international law.

The joint statement by Progressive Forces is available in four languages:

[ENGLISH](#)

[FRENCH](#)

[SPANISH](#)

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## African Union Statement on the Adoption of UN General Assembly Resolution

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The statement released by the African Union on 26th March 2026 concerning the resolution marks a significant moment in Africa’s collective diplomatic voice on the global stage.

The statement is titled: *“Statement of the Chairperson of the AU Commission on the Adoption of UN General Assembly Resolution A/80/L.48 declaring the trafficking of enslaved Africans and racialised chattel enslavement of Africans as the gravest crime against humanity.”*

[READ THE AU STATEMENT →](#)

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## Cuba's Ministry of Foreign Affairs Condemns Military Actions Against Iran

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In the wake of escalating tensions in the Middle East, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Cuba has issued a firm and unequivocal statement condemning the recent military actions against Iran.

The statement not only reflects Cuba's longstanding opposition to unilateral aggression and foreign intervention, but also underscores growing concerns about the broader implications of the conflict for regional and global peace.



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## International People's Assembly Releases Statement on Situation in Iran

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The statement issued by the International Peoples Assembly on Iran emerges at a critical moment of escalating conflict and global concern. The Assembly's position reflects a broader current of international solidarity among progressive forces resisting war, imperialism, and violations of sovereignty. The statement not only addresses the immediate crisis but situates it within a deeper critique of global power dynamics, calling attention to the human cost of conflict and the urgent need for respect for sovereignty.

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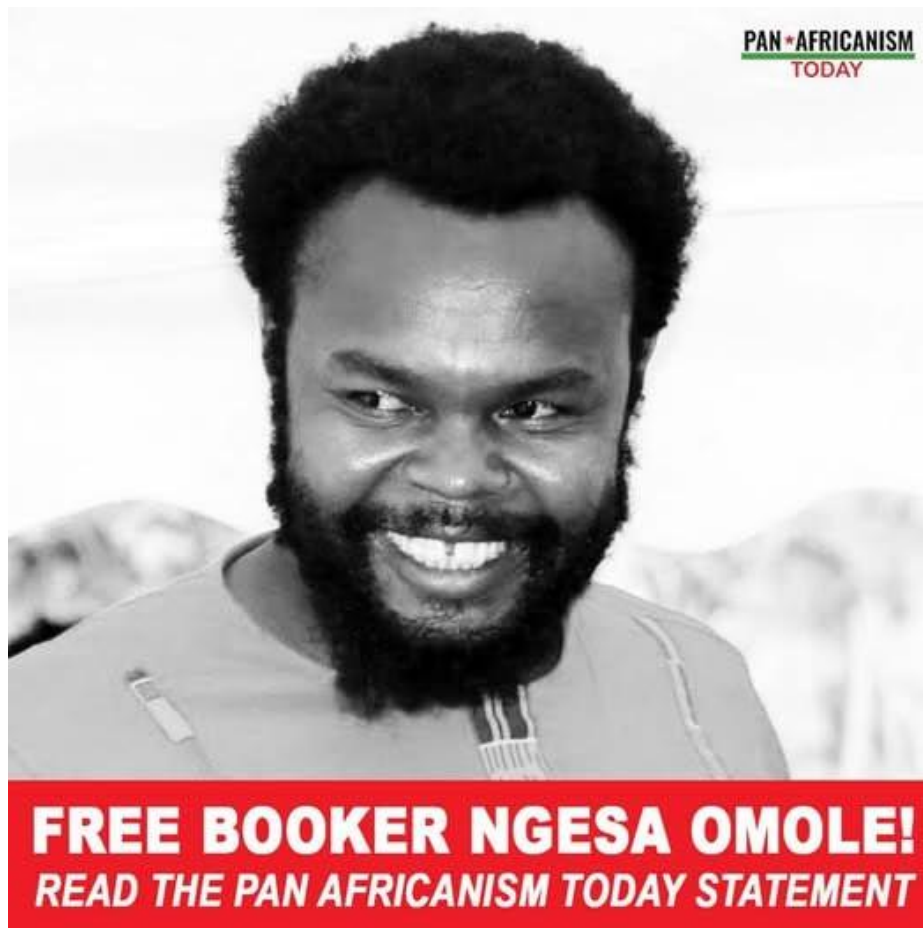
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*Pan Africanism Today Solidarity Statement for the Communist Party of Kenya*

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The statement emerges as a powerful call to action rooted in the enduring principles of Pan-African unity, justice, and resistance.

It speaks not only to the defence of one leader or individual, but to the protection of democratic space, the right to organise, and the continued relevance of Pan-African solidarity in confronting injustice wherever it arises. This is a struggle against political suppression on the continent.



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**Socialist Movement of Ghana (SMG)**

## **Statement on International Women's Day**

*“This International Women's Day, We Don't Want a Seat at the Table — We Want to Overturn It.”*

Today, the world's media will feature corporate panels and call for more women in boardrooms, but SMG women remember where this day comes from. It was born in working-class struggle, from the New York garment workers' strike to Clara Zetkin's call and the women of Petrograd whose march for “bread and peace” helped to ignite the 1917 Russian Revolution.

Today, that fight is more urgent than ever.

Today, capitalism's fierce competition for markets, resources and profit again subjects women's bodies and lives to barbarism — like the Epstein revelations, the slaughter of Palestinian women and children, the bombing of schoolgirls in Iran, the mining-site massacres in eastern Congo, gender apartheid in Afghanistan, and the deepening crisis across the Sahel and Western Sahara. These are not isolated scandals. They are the manifestations of imperialism and the crisis of capitalist social relations.

The partial release of the Epstein files exposes the rotten core of a system in which the wealthy and powerful traffic, abuse and destroy women with impunity. This criminality is bound up with state institutions and global ruling-class networks. The imperialist states, driven to redivide the world for strategic advantage, treat whole populations — particularly women — as expendable. The US-Israeli assault on Palestine and Iran, the mass death in the Middle East and the torpedoing of Iranian ships are acts of imperialist policy that produce catastrophic civilian casualties. Likewise, the deadly coltan and cobalt supply chains in eastern Congo, where artisanal miners and women suffer appalling conditions and mass deaths, are integral to global capitalist accumulation. These are class crimes: the ruling class accumulates profit through the structural dispossession and sexual and physical exploitation of women worldwide.

The oppression of women is rooted in class society and the private ownership of the means of production. Women are charged with the role of reproducing the society and the entire working class who are the social force behind all wealth and the apparatus of the state. They must reject being forced into cannon fodder and they have to lose the illusion of bourgeois feminism trying to buy a seat at the table of the exploiter. Their methods leave intact the economic forces that produce gendered oppression.

We insist that the full emancipation of women requires a revolutionary transformation of society. Only the abolition of capitalist property relations and the formation of workers' power can end the economic basis of gender oppression.

On this International Women's Day, we reaffirm our solidarity with women across the world who continue to suffer from violence, war, occupation, and systemic oppression. We express our unwavering support for the brave women of Palestine, Congo, Sudan, Venezuela, Iran, Western Sahara, Sahel States, Haiti and Epstein victims. Their struggles are our struggles, and their full liberation is tied to the global fight for justice and peace.

On this International Women's Day, we honour Clara Zetkin, Alexandra Kollontai and the Petrograd women by rejecting bourgeois accommodation and committing to the revolutionary overthrow of capitalism and imperialism. Women's liberation or nothing. According to Thomas Sankara, no real revolution can take place without the active involvement and participation of women. We struggle to achieve a socialistic society where no one is commodified, and every woman has material security, political equality and democratic power.

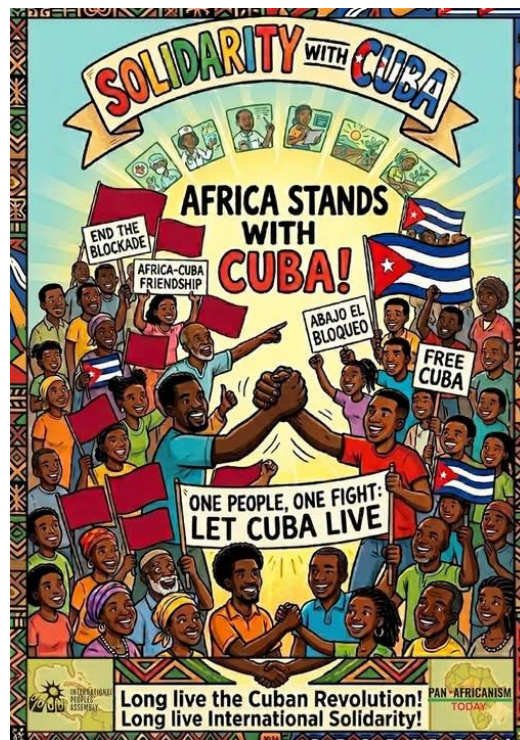
Abash capitalism!.  
Abash imperialism!.  
Forward to Women's liberation through world socialist revolution!.  
Forward!!!

## Solidarity with the Heroic People of Cuba

*Pan Africanism Today Solidarity Letter, together with an attached letter from the leadership of the Socialist Movement of Ghana (SMG)*

The statement issued by the Pan Africanism Today Secretariat, in unity with progressive movements and organisations across the continent, stands as a firm declaration of solidarity with the people of Cuba at a critical juncture in global politics.

The statement also reaffirms a long-standing tradition of internationalism, rooted in shared histories of struggle against domination and exploitation, and underscores a renewed commitment to active solidarity in the face of ongoing challenges.



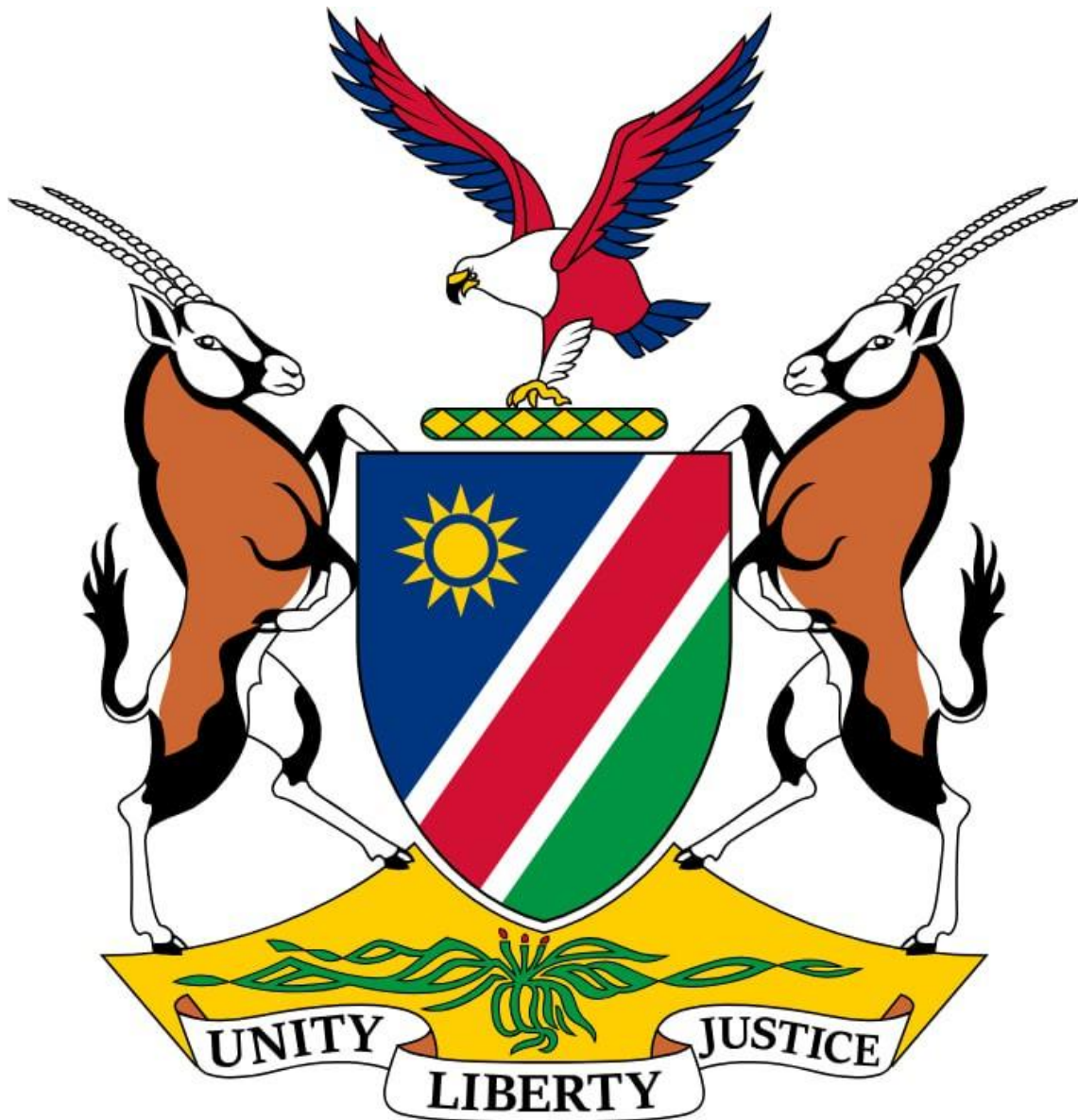
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## Namibia Foreign Ministry Statement on Escalating Situation in the Middle East

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The statement released by the Namibia Foreign Ministry underscores Namibia's call for immediate de-escalation, the protection of civilian lives, and the urgent need for dialogue and diplomatic resolution, reaffirming the country's longstanding position in support of sovereignty, non-interference, and a rules-based international order.



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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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