

African People's Socialist Party 6th Congress

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE 6th CONGRESS OF THE APSP, HELD IN ST.PETERSBURG, FLORIDA FROM DECEMBER 7-11, 2013, TO COMBAT AND DOCUMENT THE HARASSMENT, AND BRUTALIZATION, OF AFRICANS BY THE POLICE WITHIN THE U.S. BY ESTABLISHING A KNOW YOUR RIGHTS CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT THE AFRICAN COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, 250,000 people mostly, African and Latino, were stopped and frisked by police in 2009 in Philadelphia and more than a million people, mostly African and Latino, have been stopped and frisked to date in New York City

WHEREAS, the police stop thousands of African people on a daily basis all over the U.S.

WHEREAS, the police act as the front line of terror against African people who are colonized in the U.S.

WHEREAS, the rights and lives of African people are under direct threat by the counterinsurgency tactics of police

WHEREAS, point number 8 of the African People's Socialist Party states in part, "**We want the immediate withdrawal of the U.S. police from our oppressed and exploited communities.** We believe the various U.S. police agencies which occupy our communities are arms of the U.S. colonialist state which is responsible for keeping our people enslaved and terrorized. We believe that the U.S. police agencies do not serve us, but instead represent the first line of U.S. defense against the just struggle of our people for peace, dignity, and socialist democracy. Therefore, we believe the U.S. police is an illegitimate standing army, a colonial army in the African community and must withdraw immediately...."

SECTION ONE: The African People's Socialist Party stands in total opposition to the harassment, brutalization, and murder of African people by the police

SECTION TWO: The African People's Socialist Party will do all within our power to win mass participation in the know your rights campaign and build the campaign through our mass organizations. This campaign will consist of recruiting the African community to use their camera phones to document police activity in the African community as well as reproducing know your rights cards in mass to be distributed throughout the African Community.

SECTION THREE: That toward this end the African People's Socialist Party will help drive the know your rights campaign through our mass organizations and Party members participating in those mass organizations. In addition to mobilizing support for the know your rights campaign through our mass organizations, the Party will provide political education and leadership to the campaign.

ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

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ABSENT:

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APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

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