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U.S. SEEKS TO TRAMPLE DOMINICAN UPRISING

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(Excerpt) President Johnson asserted again on 2 May that the United States does not intend to interfere in the domestic affairs of the Dominican Republic. What hypocrisy! In the same breath he stated: We must use all available means to prevent a second Cuba from coming into existence in our hemisphere. What does this mean other than that the United States tramples underfoot the self-determination of nations, which it likes to cite so frequently, whenever a nation does not obligingly fit into its political schemes?

Self-determination of the nations of America is to be dictated by Washington. Undoubtedly, this is the main reason for Washington's intervention. Nowhere is it better known than in the White House what a wave of hatred exists in all of Latin America against U.S. imperialism. While the United States has been able during the past 40 years to take care of its interests in these states through politicians and militarists dependent on it or through invasions of mercenaries, as, for example, in 1954 in Guatemala, today it can no longer use this camouflage because the broad masses have become politically conscious and intervene in the struggles.

Latin America has become a volcanic continent wherein a tremor can cause deep earthquakes. In order to prevent them, Johnson intervenes with brutal force. With his military force, he is currently trying to keep in power a reactionary, antipopular dictatorship which represents the interests of the United States, and to smash the Dominican people's struggle for freedom and independence by disregarding their elementary rights.

After the expansion of the dirty war against the Vietnamese people, after the bombing attacks on the DRV, and on Laos, after the Congo intervention, U.S. imperialism adds a new link to the chain of its aggressions. It will dictate its will to all nations and smash the national liberation movements under the pretense that they are being subverted by the communists.

During the fighting in Santo Domingo, the chief of the U.S. CIA espionage service, William Raborn, notes that the number of communist leaders totals two to eight. So 14,000 leathernecks were used against them. The explanation is grotesque and cannot cover the U.S. longing for power.