



PERMANENT PEOPLES' TRIBUNAL ON VIOLATIONS WITH IMPUNITY OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF MIGRANT AND REFUGEE PEOPLES

LONDON HEARING

Date: 3-4 November 2018

Place: Friends House, 173-177 Euston Road London, NW1 2BJ

CALL FOR SUPPORT

July 2018

Dear Colleague

We are writing to you in the capacity of co-convenors of the steering group for the London Hearing of the Permanent Peoples' Tribunal on the Violations with Impunity of the Human Rights of Migrant and Refugee Peoples.

You may know that the Permanent Peoples' Tribunal (PPT) structure grew from the precedent of the Russell Tribunal on Vietnam (1966-67) and Latin America (1973-76). It is based in Rome, at the Fondazione Lelio e Lisli Basso, Via della Dogana Vecchia 5. Please visit its [website](#) at for more information.

The session of the PPT on the violation of the rights of migrants and refugees was launched in Barcelona on 8th July 2017. Since then three further hearings have taken place, in Palermo, Italy in December 2017, Paris, France in January 2018 and Barcelona in June 2018. The record of these hearings can be seen on the PPT website.

The Hearing in London will convene before a panel of international judges. The panel will consider an indictment, which sets out charges against UK authorities for violating the rights of migrants and refugees. The current version of the indictment is appended to this letter.

The purpose of this request is to ask whether your organisation could register its support for the London hearing by agreeing to join our list of sponsoring organisations.

Sponsorship does not entail any financial obligations - though if you are in a position to consider a donation towards the costs of organising the London hearing – please do let us know – that would be very much appreciated! By sponsoring the London Hearing you will be registering your support for an inquiry into the violation of the rights of migrants and refugees, as set out in the indictment.

As a sponsoring organisation we hope that you will agree to disseminate information about the London hearing to groups and individuals in your network. You will be notified of the decisions of the steering group as it makes the necessary preparations for the hearing. Should you wish to nominate a representative to attend steering groups discussions they would be most welcome.

As a sponsoring organisation the name of your organisation would be included in the list of sponsors published on our website and other social media accounts. Broad support and solidarity at this time is very important and needed.

The current list of sponsors is:

[Corporate Watch](#)

Commission for Filipino Migrant Workers – Europe

[Global Justice Now \(GJN\)](#)

[Institute of Race Relations \(IRR\)](#)

Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Links Network

[Lewisham Refugee Migrant Network \(LRMN\)](#)

[Latin American Women's Rights Service \(LAWRS\)](#)

[Migrant Rights Network](#)

Monsoon Book Club

[Racial Justice Network](#)

[RESPECT Network Europe](#)

[Statewatch](#)

[Transnational Institute \(TNI\)](#)

[Transnational Migrant Platform-Europe \(TMP-E\)](#)

[UNITE the Union](#)

Waling-Waling (Supporting Migrant Workers Rights Campaign)

[War on Want](#)

As co-convenors for the steering group we would be pleased to respond to any query you might have about the project. We could also provide you with a representative of the steering group to meet with you or speak at any meeting of your organisation about the plans for the London PPT Hearing.

We hope you will be able to Sign On to this Call for Support to the London PPT Hearing –this will be highly appreciated. The link for Sign-On is available at E-mail address PPT Hearing London:

pptlondon@transnationalmigrantplatform.net

We look forward to hearing from you.

In solidarity for the rights of migrants and refugees!

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