

FREEDOM FOR NATIONS!

FREEDOM FOR INDIVIDUALS!

AN APPEAL

**OF THE ANTI-BOLSHEVIK BLOC OF NATIONS (ABN)
TO THE TOURISTS AND ATHLETES OF THE FREE NATIONS
OF THE WORLD ON THE OCCASION OF THE 1972 OLYMPIC GAMES**

The Anti-Bolshevik Bloc of Nations (ABN) is a coordinating center of national, liberation, anti-Russian and anti-Communist organizations of nations subjugated by Bolshevism and their friends in the free world. Its aim is the dissolution of the Russian empire — the USSR — into independent, national states within their ethnographical boundaries of all nations subjugated within the USSR, and a return of state independence to the satellite countries. The ABN supports independent states for the Czechs and Slovaks, and the disintegration of Yugoslavia into independent states of Croats, Serbs and other peoples. ABN favors the national principle of the organization of the world as against the imperialistic. ABN is for the nations, and against the empire.

The ABN upholds national, state independence of Ukraine, Turkestan, Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, North Caucasus, Byelorussia, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Idel-Ural, Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Czechia, Albania, Croatia, Serbia, Slovakia and all other nations subjugated by Russian imperialism and Communism, including Cuba, the reunification in freedom of Germany, Korea, Vietnam, and the destruction of Communist tyranny and exploitation in general throughout the entire world.

Friends from the free nations of the world! Side by side with you here are hundreds and thousands of tourists and athletes from countries subjugated by Russian imperialists and Communists, who cannot openly reveal the truth about the horrors and terror, about social injustice and exploitation, about Russification and the extermination of fighters for freedom, the freedom of cultural creativity and the living conditions worthy of man.

In prisons and concentration camps of the USSR today, there are over one million political prisoners — students, workers, peasants, intellectuals, and those believing in God, who are persecuted by the atheist, Communist, Russian, occupation regime. Fighters, inconvenient to the Russian occupants, are confined to insane asylums. This is an unprecedented barbarity in the twentieth century. Recently over 300 intellectuals and artists were imprisoned in Ukraine for an attempt at free creativity.

Some most typical examples:

- **Valentyn Moroz**, a young historian, received 14 years of harsh prison for writing several essays dealing with the history of Ukraine.

Refusing to repent, he declared to a closed court that he stands firmly behind his convictions. Now being systematically poisoned to break his will, he is confined to the most severe Vladimir prison near Moscow.

● **Yuriy Shukhevych**, the son of the Commander-in-Chief of the Ukrainian Insurgent Army (UPA), Gen. Roman Shukhevych-Chuprynka, who died in battle with the Russian occupation troops in 1950, near Lviv, Ukraine, was recently convicted to another 12 years, after serving 20 years in prisons and concentration camps for refusing, as a young boy, to denounce his father.

● **Svyatoslav Karavanskyi** has been confined for nearly 30 years to concentration camps and prisons for his struggle against Russification and his translation of Western classics into Ukrainian. His wife, **Nina Strokata-Karavanska**, was sentenced to 7 years in prison for attempts to obtain her husband's release from a Mordovian concentration camp.

● **Mykhaylo Soroka**, a leading member of OUN, was liquidated by the KGB in June, 1971, in a Mordovian concentration camp, after 30 years of imprisonment.

● In 1959, in Munich, upon the orders of the KGB chief, Shelepin, and Khrushchov, a Russian agent assassinated **Stepan Bandera**, the leader of the Ukrainian Liberation Movement (OUN), with a specially prepared cyanide pistol.

● In Czechia, mass trials of cultural leaders are taking place.

● In Lithuania, in May of this year, a young student and worker, **Romas Kalanta**, immolated himself in Kaunas as a sign of protest against Russian occupation. Tens of thousands of Lithuanians came to his funeral to manifest their opposition to the Russian occupants. The demonstration of workers, students and peasants was crushed by the Russian KGB paratroopers.

● In May 1968, in Kyiv, Ukraine, the fighter of UPA and OUN (Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists), **Vasyl Makukh**, burned himself while shouting: LONG LIVE FREE UKRAINE!

● In August 1968, the Czech student **Jan Palach** immolated himself in the center of Prague with the exclamation: It is better to die in flames than to live under Russian colonial yoke.

● The Lithuanian sailor **Simonas Kudirka** cried out at his trial in Vilnius: "I demand freedom for my homeland — Lithuania!"

● In 1956 the Hungarian insurgents had already driven the Russians out of Hungary; the Polish workers and the Ukrainian students have risen at the same time, but the USA and other Western states have taken sides with the Russians.

● Between 1953 and 1959, millions of prisoners rebelled in concentration camps in the USSR. Khrushchov was forced to reorganize these camps in order to save the empire.

● Between 1959 and 1972 mass strikes, demonstrations, clashes with the Russian occupation units were the order of the day in the Russian dominated countries in the USSR as well as the satellite states.

A great renaissance of the young generation in the spirit of liberation nationalism, traditions, religion, a struggle for social justice and a return to historic values of every nation has begun. Neither Communism, nor Russification were able to alter the spirituality of the young generation. There is no Soviet nation; there are invariably the subjugated, non-Russian nations and the Russian nation. Religion has not been destroyed. It lives in the catacombs — Christianity, Islam, Buddhism and other religions. The USSR is the Russian empire, a prison of nations and individuals.

Don't you see yourself that the Ukrainian SSR and the Byelorussian SSR, for instance are members of the UN, but at the Olympic Games there is neither a Ukrainian nor a Byelorussian national team? There are fifteen so-called sovereign and "equal" Soviet republics, each of which can allegedly voluntarily secede from the USSR, but they do not even have the right to send their own national team of sportsmen to the Olympic Games. This is a mockery of national and human rights. The USSR is today the greatest colonial empire of the world which keeps the subjugated nations in bondage through terror and genocide.

Have you forgotten the 1968 events in Czechia and Slovakia? The Hungarian uprising in 1956, the revolt of the German workers in 1953, the struggle of the Turkestanis, Georgians, Estonians, Lithuanians, Byelorussians, the persecution of the Bulgarian and Rumanian nationalists by the Communist tyrants who have imposed the Russian way of life: Communism and Bolshevism, on all nations? Is it just to divide the living organisms of nations, as is the case with Vietnam, Korea and Germany?

President Nixon's policy of so-called balance of power among the superpowers will not bring a lasting peace. It benefits the Russian imperialists. The essence of a superpower is not only the possession of strategic, thermonuclear arms and highly developed technology, but no less the possession of just and noble ideas, the gaining of the souls of nations and individuals, because we do not only live in a thermonuclear, but also in an ideological age. Thermonuclear weapons are powerless against insurgents and insurrections, against revolutions and revolutionaries. Side by side with Washington and Moscow there is a neglected, forgotten superpower — dozens of nations subjugated in the Russian empire and in the Communist sphere of domination and hundreds of millions of oppressed people. This is the superpower of tomorrow! THE EMPIRES ARE DISINTEGRATING, while THE NATIONAL STATES are becoming the token of the epoch. The power ratio in the Russian empire, i. e. of the Russian oppressing nation to the nations it oppresses is 1:2. The Ukrainians, Turkestanis, Georgians, Lithuanians, Latvians, Estonians, Byelorussians, Azerbaijanians, Armenians, North Caucasians, Tatars, Czechs, Slovaks, Hungarians, Poles, Rumanians, Bulgarians, East Germans, Karelo-Finns, Don Cossacks, Croats, Albanians, Serbs, Slovenes, Jews, Siberians, Koreans, Vietnamese, Chinese, Mongols and Cubans are engaged in a struggle against Russian imperialism and Communism.

The anti-Russian and anti-Communist organizations of free Europe are united in the European Freedom Council (EFC), with which the ABN is in close cooperation. The world anti-Russian and anti-Communist forces are united in the World Anti-Communist League (WACL) which is holding its annual conference in Mexico this month. Similar conferences have been held in Tokyo, Manila, Bangkok, Taipei, Seoul, Saigon, while the EFC recently held its conferences, jointly with ABN, in London and Brussels. The ABN on the other hand, convened its conferences in New York, Washington, Malta, Toronto, Munich, Guatemala and so forth.

The ABN was founded in 1943 by the insurgents of UPA and the Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists, fighting against both Russia and Nazi Germany, as well as the freedom fighters of Georgia, Byelorussia, Azerbaijan, Turkestan, Armenia, North Caucasus and so forth and it continues to act both behind the Iron Curtain and in the entire world.

The ABN urges you to establish and reinforce the world anti-Russian and anti-Communist front for the dissolution of the Russian prison of nations — the USSR — into independent, democratic states of all presently subjugated nations.

The ABN calls on you to organize mass demonstrations and actions against Russian and Communist genocide toward the subjugated nations and individuals. Demand and fight for the liquidation of concentration camps, for the release of political prisoners, for repatriation from Siberia and other deportation regions of members of nations subjugated by the Russians and for the release from insane asylums of fighters for national and human rights.

Death to Russian imperialists and Communist tyrants!

Long live independent national states of the subjugated nations!

Long live social justice! Freedom of conscience and creativity!

Down with the persecution of religion!

Freedom-loving nations and individuals of the whole world unite in the struggle against Russian imperialism and Communist despotism and genocide and for national independence and human rights!

DOWN WITH EMPIRES !

DOWN WITH CONCENTRATION CAMPS AND GENOCIDE !

FREEDOM FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS OF NATIONS SUBJUGATED BY RUSSIA AND COMMUNISM !

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