

A Solemn “African-American Reparations Proclamation” to Peoples of the World
Invoking a Continental Process of Equity-Restorative Justice and Human Rights
By Declaring a Mandate for Reparations to all Black People in America ASAP

∴ ∴ ∴ Let it be Known by These Statements; That

Whereas there exist in the United States of America a people descended from the noble seed of far-off Africa, known as Negroes, Black People, and African-Americans among other names, who are a people distinguishable from other peoples of America by their complexion and African descent; and

Whereas through their kidnapping, displacement, and bondage in slavery, African-Americans were historically and completely deprived of such intangible, priceless, and irreplaceable virtues as their names, languages, families, traditions, history, and entire culture, which they would have normally preserved, from their world-renowned African Civilizations and heritage dating from antiquity; and

Whereas the early establishment of slavery and continuation of exploitation, predetermined dangerous institutionalized racism inflicted upon African-Americans, by those in power in America, constitutes high crimes against humanity, amounting to reasoning for reparations as a debt long overdue; and

Whereas racism has caused centuries of harm and depression, including mental anguish, brutal physical abuse, and physiological incompatibility, which has brought about among most African-Americans a lamentable and debilitating condition known as Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome (PTSS) or the 'slave mentality', a condition resulting from Africans being socialized in an oppressive European system, intentionally designed to divide and conquer Black People, most noticeable when African-Americans attempt to work collectively to establish means for group progress via reparations; and

Whereas since the Civil War and the resultant ‘Emancipation Period’, {systematic injustice, oppression, and outright bigotry supposedly reduced or eliminated, in fact persist in America to this day}, consistently causing massive pain and suffering, and unjustly killing innocent Black People, depriving them of their constitutional rights, and depriving them of any chance for justice; and;

Whereas African-Americans provided **hundreds of years of free & forced slave labor** including sharecropping, producing a variety of cash crops, along with their genius in creativity and development, viewed upon as world renowned and civilization moving contributions, realizing these gifts played a vital role in America rising to a place of great prominence, wealth,

and power in the world today, yet African-Americans never received any credit or compensation; and;

Whereas Black People in America therefore thus have a profound and unequalled just claim to material and symbolic reparations, sharing a positive and affirmative sense of deserving recompense for unpaid labor, cash crops, contributions, and intentional harm inflicted upon them for centuries; and

Whereas African-descended people residing in America and throughout the Diaspora, constantly victimized by violence and aggression, physically engage in reactions seen as demonstrations such as uprisings, rebellions, protests and movements, which are confrontational methods in periodic cycles of resistance to unjust police killings, deprivation of equal opportunities, and discrimination in the work place, yet they are always misunderstood in their expressions for freedom, justice, and equality; and

Whereas African-Americans, both past and present, have succeeded in establishing their own black towns to live in peaceful and civil societies, whose purposes include restoring their self-respect, revitalizing their pride in blackness, and striving to achieve independence and sovereignty; and

Whereas Black People find it necessary for their people now, and the well-being and prosperity for their future generations, to instill their values as other minority groups who pass down their customs, who educate their people on their culture, in their own territories, for a proper knowledge of self; and

Whereas there are not enough words in any language or form of communication to make an adequate apology to African-Americans, for enduring slavery and hundreds of years of exploitation including reconstruction, segregation, integration, discrimination, and racial profiling, yet conditions in the black community calls for an act of this nature (a great and lengthy apology), for healing purposes; and

Whereas there is not enough money or wealth in the entire world to compensate African-Americans in the form of restitution for their stolen contributions representing their achievements, discoveries and inventions, that are responsible for creating and lifting America's economy, which had a significant impact on economies around the world; and

Whereas African-Americans find it necessary to present their status as an indigenous people, through the Plebiscite Vote, this time for the purpose of seeking due and proper Equity-Restorative Justice, and to unite in mutual solidarity for the purpose of stipulating the Five Phase

Plan as their agenda, presenting a multifaceted approach that works to cover all angles necessary to win reparations; and

Whereas in 1989 the historic bill H.R. 40 was introduced by Congressman John Conyers, of which its primary purpose is “to acknowledge the fundamental injustice, cruelty, brutality, and inhumanity of slavery in the United States and the 13 American colonies between 1619 and 1865, and to establish a commission to examine the Institution of Slavery, subsequent de jure and de facto racial and economic discrimination against African-Americans, and the impact of those forces on them today, to make recommendations to congress on appropriate remedies, and for other purposes”, said bill being titled the ‘Commission to Study Reparations Proposals for African-Americans Act’; and

Whereas over the past several decades, a variety of activist, experts, scholars and organizations, representing the interests of Black People, have previously studied the crucial issue of harm suffered by African-Americans over the past five centuries even prior to 1619 and after 1865, including slavery both its components and legacy, thus considering all of the intense social, political, and economic setbacks and resulting damage that has befallen Black People, in this effort to seek compensation and recover their wrongfully stolen dignity, history, and heritage as a people; and

Whereas knowing other peoples have received reparations for lesser crimes, it is fair for Black People to demand Reparations Now, for greater crimes of slavery, which were far more in number, much more severe, and lasted for a much longer period of time all across centuries harming generations; and

Now therefore We, the African-descended people in America, the Black Family in America, or African-Americans; **do hereby solemnly Proclaim** and **Mandate in complete solidarity** the following articles, as both immediate measures and proposals for Black History Month Project action;

Article the First: **We**, here and henceforth highly resolved and united in our determination, shall carry forward in manners both judicial and extra-judicial, a massive campaign for reparations, consisting of economic boycotts, selective buying, public protests, lawsuits, legislative advocacy, debates, and due processes of natural law based on international notions of justice, always non-violent in its intent, nature, and execution herein declared, making our Calling and Mandate clear to the other peoples of America and the world, that it is time for the US Government and those who benefitted from slavery and exploiting blacks to participate in courses of action to produce a fair Black Reparations Package;

Article the Second: A temporary process of **Equity-Restorative-Justice** shall be convened and brought to fruition; this process shall come to be known as the **AAIU United States of America Truth and Reconciliation Process (T&R Process)**;

Article the Third: The T&R Process shall provide for the inception of several principal bodies known as **commissions**, each providing for essential factors to explore reparations in the Equity-Restorative Justice process, and each with a mandate to collaborate closely with the others in their missions, in order to produce a fair **African-American Reparations Package**, these commissions shall include but are not limited to the following;

- * a **Truth Commission** for the all-inclusive hearing, recording, and documentation of the historical, current and continuing grievances of, and injuries to the descendants of Africans living in America;

- * a **Trial Commission** for the consideration and support of potential legal actions such as claims in equity or law, indictments, tribunals, trials, reviewing the cases of political prisoners, 3 strikes victims, and other Black People who were wrongfully incarcerated, or falsely charged with a crime that remains on their record, and/or any other civil or criminal proceedings that would restore justice;

- * an **Amnesty Commission** for the deliberation of acts of mercy, acquittal, and symbolic or ceremonial forgiveness, to encourage racial healing and equality in all spheres of life;

- * a **Cooperative Commission** to be populated by Whites, Jews and other peoples who believe Blacks deserve reparations, whose function will be to identify members of their own race or ethnicity, who are known to have enslaved Black People and/or have benefited from exploiting them in any way, to appoint representatives of those persons, groups and governments, who were and are responsible for historic and current injustices perpetrated against African-Americans, making proper assessments of damages done, and providing provisions and proposals for restitution;

- * a **Talented Tenth Commission** to be populated by influential, prominent and wealthy African-Americans, along with Blacks who have a track record of helping their people, whom believe Blacks deserve reparations, and for the purpose of using their ideas and experience in all phases of the Tribunal and T&R process, for assessing the 10-15 proposals that shall be put forth by the Reparations Commission that will form the Black Reparations Package, and most important of all to utilize their expertise including various strategies to create an Economic Foundation for African-Americans;

* a **Black History and Culture Commission** to work for the purpose of recovering, documenting, and preserving the glorious history of Africa and African-Americans, emphasizing the creation and support of events such as Juneteenth, our Black History Month Project, and Kwanzaa to support this cause;

* a **Planning and Executive Commission** which shall deliberate the formation and functions of the other commissions, engender, receive and consider nominations to populate them, establish charitable foundations, trusts, and similar legal and organizational entities, plan for the proper, effective, and equitable receipt and distribution of any material reparations awarded to African-Americans which need to be processed, invested, or dealt with in any like manner, and shall also accept and extend any other reparations-related missions of goodwill for Black People;

* a **Reparations Commission** to receive, consider and formulate proposals for symbolic and material reparations to be awarded unconditionally to African-Americans as compensation for stolen labor, lost economic opportunities, political disenfranchisement, and other historical, current and continuing injustices; the Mandate of the Reparations Commission shall include but are not limited to the due and proper consideration of the 10 proposals below to go into an African-American Reparations Package;

-1- the stipulation for a **Reparations Fund** to facilitate actions, studies and research efforts in the Five Phase Plan, especially the commissions, to conceive measures for an acceptable package, ensuring the production of a sound **Reparations Package** to be divided among eight regional governing bodies;

-2- the creation of ‘**African Cultural Academies**’ designed to teach and recognize Classical African Civilizations, achievements, contributions, Black History and Black Culture, which precedes studying slavery and the serious problems it caused, as we explain reparations as the solution to override stereo types, exclusion, oppression, and racism, and for **spiritual guidance** to raise the collective consciousness among African-Americans to seek full freedom for the entire race through sovereignty;

-3- the condition for **collective compensation** to aid in developing racial advances, by way of allotting endowments to build and improve existing historically black institutions and organizations including an amendment to rid them of unfair funding practices and barriers from outside forces that prohibit the full array of learning and creativity in schools and work settings, to build new safe black cities along with **individual compensation** for race conscious scholars of up to \$100,000 and a **negotiated** amount for all Blacks 55 and above for \$200,000 each, tax free;

- 4- the measure for tax free **emergency aid or employment** for blacks between the ages of 18-34 for \$4000 a month and ages 35-54 for \$8,000 a month for personal management and building new
- 5- sovereign or repatriated settlements, **small business grants** of up to \$250,000, and understanding the Economic Foundation is the Reparations Fund consisting of losses from withheld wages from slavery, punitive damages during that time, and all the other unfair social, psychological and financial practices that worked together to prevent equality, which will lead towards developing cooperative economics;
- 6- the granting of **prime, habitable, and productive tracts of land** for the purpose of building safe **Sovereign Settlements** with a complete infrastructure including **quality homes** and parks reflecting the beauty of Ancient African Structures, and upgrading facilities and services for blacks living in integrated areas;
- 7- the establishment of **appropriate hospitals, conflict resolution centers**, and community based programs for complete health care, rehabilitation to cope with (PTSS) and other emotional disorders, insisting on emancipation for current and former inmates, and **resolving black on black problems**;
- 8- the preparation and revelation of an **in depth analysis** study on institutional exclusion, racial oppression, the criminal justice system, law enforcement officers, the disproportionate number of Blacks in prison, political prisoners, and the escalating issues facing their seniors for (health care, social security, social outings and transportation), their adults for (counseling, jobs, and housing), their teens for (after school and mentoring), and their infants for (pre-natal and pre-school) programs;
- 9- the initiative for 50 years of **tax relief and debt forgiveness** for Africa, African-Americans, and all Blacks throughout the Diaspora, including outstanding government-guaranteed loans for students, and graduates for education, and/or employment purposes;
- 10- the urgent forging of mechanism for **higher quality in education** for schools, instructors, and supplies available to African-Americans in public and private schools grades K-12;
- 11- the provision for a 50 year period of time for free books, tuition, and fees to **private and public schools in grades K-12 and vocational schools, colleges and universities**, through the level of the Doctorate, which should include job placement in corporate America, or creating exclusive black corporations, to provide thousands of jobs for qualified blacks in every region of America where there is a large population of blacks;

The Mandate of the Reparations Commission shall also include giving due and proper consideration to the sentiments, wishes, and intentions of African-Americans **to find equality or social and economic justice** in our **Integrated Society**, in **Repatriated Communities** in Southern America, or abroad, or in **Sovereign Settlements** in all states with large black communities; such that these three underlying contingencies, possibilities and models are explored in those reparations proposals considered, so that no victim of these injustices, nor their descendants, are omitted, neglected, or ruled out of reparations in the AAIU T&R Process, unless by choice, or tried and found guilty of being an agent provocateur, sell out, sambo, or uncle tom in the upcoming AAIU Reparations Tribunal.

In Conclusion, and as a Call for Unity: We, the African-descended people of America, extend a mandate and entreaty even unto our own people to gratefully receive any fair and just **reparations** extended to us, not only by those specific governments, ethnic groups, corporations, institutions, families, and/or individuals who were responsible in some manner for the inhumane and exploitative treatment of African-Americans, but also as in-kind acts of just and compassionate recompense by other peoples of America whether existing in America, or operating abroad under the sanction of other governments or localities.

In return, we give our personal appreciation, good will, and thanks for their just consideration of our plight, and the continuing harm done to our people, that we may begin the process to feel whole and recovered, both as a people and individuals, thus rebuilding our collective spiritual consciousness and self-esteem, to continue to rise above and transcend conditions, which have oppressed and constrained all blacks in America. All of this in the name, honor, and memory of our African and African-American Ancestors, both those remembered and long forgotten.

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Authorization of Appropriation of Funds: a \$200 Million SEEG grant for AAIU and Allies

To Advise Groups: Producing or Selecting a Reparations Plan