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Secretary General's Report To The Party Congress:

**POLITICAL REPORT TO THE THIRD NATIONAL
CONGRESS OF THE AFRIKAN PEOPLE'S PARTY
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REVOLUTIONARY GREETINGS!

It is with great enthusiasm and revolutionary honor that I have the duty to present the political report to the Third National Congress of the Afrikan People's Party.

We want to first properly acknowledge and give thanks to the members of the congress organizing committee, the host committee and party members and friends who have donated their time and resources to make the convening of this congress possible. It is these actions (that often go unrecorded throughout history as a part of the revolutionary process) which have actually constituted the kernel of continuity for self-reliance of our movement.

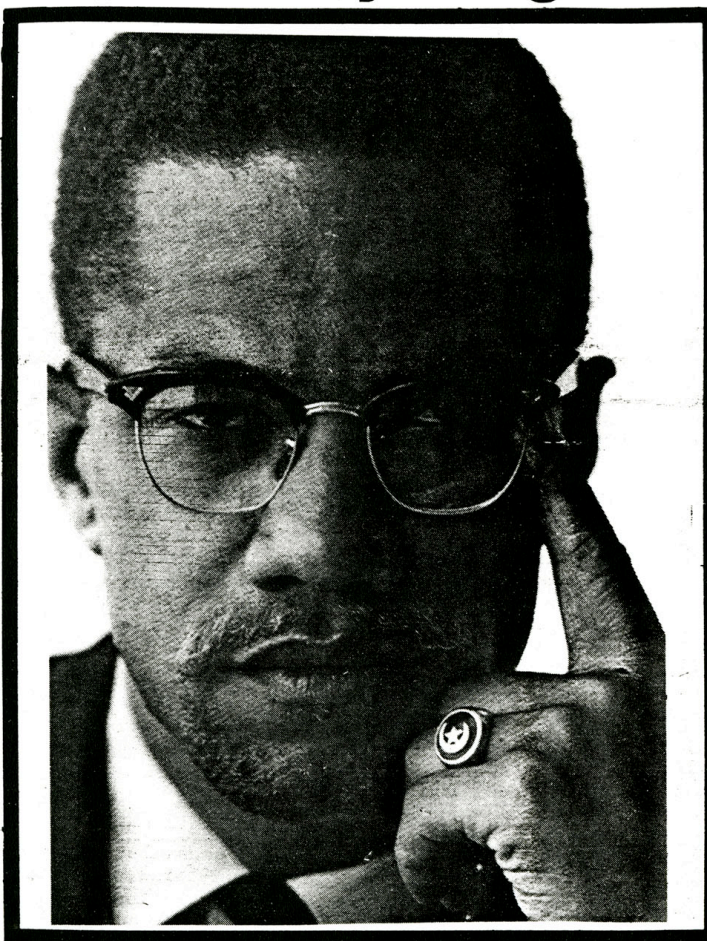
One of the major resources enabling the party congress to be held in Philadelphia this weekend, is the Church of the Advocate under the leadership of Father (Brother) Paul Washington.

The Church of the Advocate is very much a part of our party's organizational reality and continuous growth. It was the political workshop of the Third National Black Power Conference, hosted at the Church of the Advocate in 1968, that laid the beginning for our National Organizational Development. In 1974 it was the site our Second National Party Congress.

And now in 1977 we find ourselves once again gathered here at the Church of the Advocate. This time holding our Historic Third National Party Congress. Truly the Church of the Advocate must be seen as part of our people's revolutionary tradition and a direct asset to the growth of our party.

On August 6 & 7, 1977 the National Central Committee met to discuss many of the impor-

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MALCOLM X

PROGRAM AT AUDOBON!

Audobon "packed" with Black workers!

**1,000 Stand & Shout:
"MALCOLM LIVES!"**

On February 21, 1965 Malcolm X was assassinated at the Audubon Ballroom in Harlem, New York. His death struck at the heart of the Black Liberation Movement inside the United States.

For millions of Afrikans in the U.S. and in the world, Malcolm was the symbol of our militant resistance to oppression. His ideas and concepts of "freedom by any means necessary" were the cutting edge of our National Liberation Movement.

Black people knew when Malcolm was killed that his murderers were the same murderers who had been killing Black people for centuries since our captivity from Afrika and our forced slave existence inside this country.

Malcolm's assassination was part of the historical strategy of the U.S. Imperialist state to liquidate our resistance and liberation struggle by killing off our leadership. The racist ruling circles and their paid hit men, the C.I.A., F.B.I. and local police have not learned "that you can kill a revolutionary but you don't kill a revolution."

On Tuesday, February 21, 1978 Afrikan People's Party and the National Task Force For Cointelpro Litigation and Research sponsored an historical Memorial for Malcolm X at the Audubon Ballroom, the place where he was viciously assassinated, thirteen years ago.

This was the first time there

has ever a program for Malcolm at the Audubon since his assassination.

"SYSTEMATIC REPRESSION: THE COINTELPRO CONSPIRACY AGAINST MALCOLM X AND THE BLACK LIBERATION MOVEMENT"

MOVEMENT" was the theme of the program. Speakers were Muhammed Ahmad and Askia M. Toure' of Afrikan People's Party Chokwe Lumumba, Vice President of the PROVISIONAL Government of the R.N.A., AFENI Shakur from the National Task Force for Cointelpro Litigation and Research and invited guest speakers were Gil Noble from Like It Is WABC TV and Congressman Ronald DELLUMS.

All the speakers gave enlightening and inspirational statements on Malcolm's relationship to, and influence on, our total struggle as a people for liberation.

Muhammed Ahmed gave a chronological breakdown of Malcolm from when he entered the Nation of Islam to his break to form the Organization of Afro-American Unity in 1964. Brother Ahmed spoke on Malcolm's links to revolutionary nationalist and progressive black organizations in his efforts to Build a Black United Front. Malcolm took our struggle from that of the projected civil rights movement to an anti-colonialist Black internationalist struggle for human rights and self determination.

MALCOLM PART OF THE COLLECTIVE STRATEGY OF THE BLACK LIBERATION MOVEMENT.

Clearly what was the most



important aspect of Muhammed Ahmed's speech was the fact that Malcolm was a key figure in an organized and coordinated strategy of Black Revolutionary NATIONALISM. That he was not merely a very dynamic, isolated figure, but clearly Malcolm was part of the collective leadership of our movement. This is important for us as a people fighting for self-determination and independent nationhood to understand it is important to know that our movement has been a continuous wave of history and stages of political development, and genuine Black leadership can never be isolated from the dynamic of the Black revolution.

Sister AFENI Shakur spoke to the specifics of the Counter Intelligence Program (Cointelpro) of the F.B.I. and how that the reality of the Black Revolution inside of the U.S. has always been recognized by the U.S. imperialist ruling class and all its reactionary sectors, as the most dangerous threat to its continuous world domination.

Cointelpro or what ever name they are calling it today has taken a countless number of

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network from which to further carry out internal ideological struggle (which is the duty of every Revolutionary Party) without giving to splits and disunity.

Second, we must understand that we are in a lull period and that the benefits of internal ideological struggle will not be realized qualitatively unless we are able to engage in mass struggles from which to recruit newer and more politically healthier blood into the ranks to further help and multiply this process.

We therefore must see as our principal task here this weekend to discuss and struggle for unity and these important questions at the same time to develop and unite around a political line and resolutions coming out of all the workshops to guide every one of us in carrying out our mass work.

We are very fortunate in this situation, to have here at the congress, the presence of both Party and non-Party members who have the direct experience and willingness to help us in our forward move. While we must pose tactical questions and arguments at this weekend, we must always be mindful of never becoming arrogant, for we understand that our struggle is a historical process which we as a Revolutionary Nationalist Party have a central role for which we must be held accountable. However, we must never confuse our accountability with our historical task, as being the kind of ownership of the entire movement.

I know that there were many very important areas of which my report failed to cover. However, this should not be taken as an indication that those areas should not be taken up within the Workshops. The primary focus was on these areas I felt most relative to our present historical development.

In conclusion, I would like to give a quote from Brother Amilcar Cabral: "Our experience has shown

that in the general framework of the daily struggle this battle against ourselves--no matter what difficulties the enemy may create--is the most difficult of all either for the present or the future of our people." "Tell no lies, claim no easy victories."

Dare to struggle, Dare to Win!

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YOUTH/STUDENT

- A. That Party give attention to the development of a Youth League and Youth Movement:
- (1) by assignment of cadre, particularly youth to the specific organizing;
 - (2) to develop campaigns and propaganda around the issues of Black Youth in the prisons, high schools, on unemployment, education etc;
 - (3) by developing a comprehensive cadre training program;
 - (4) by disseminating pamphlets, speaking etc. on Party's analysis of role of the Black Student in the National Liberation Struggle, on campus's and high schools.

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Black lives through a multi-level strategy of systematic extermination of Black leaders and organizations whether or not these leaders and organizations have progressive or revolutionary. It does not make a difference from the standpoint of the ruling class. Anyone who is working to solve the problems of Black oppression and exploitation in America is a threat and must be eliminated.

This conspiracy by the government has been directly responsible for the assassination of Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, Jr. Fred Hampton, Mark Clark, Bunchy Carter, John Huggins, Zoyd MALIK Shakur and many other Black activists and freedom fighters.

Understanding the role the C.I.A., F.B.I. and local police agents have played in killing our leaders, incarcerating thousands of Black political activists on frameups and fabrications and destroying our organizations, is very key in the broadening of our consciousness and should enhance our spirit and determination.

This clearly was where Brother Chokwe Lumumba was coming from when he gave a rousing concluding statement on Black people's residency and fortitude in our ability to fight and overcome heavy repression and murderous attack. The legacy of Malcolm X is deeply rooted in the psyche of our people; in their mass organizations, militant campaigns and Revolutionary Nationalist Party.

In the words of hundred of people who rose and chanted at the Audubon Ballroom....

MALCOLM LIVES!

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Strategy in the upcoming period: There are two main objectives in the upcoming period, that is developing mass organizations and a mass anti-imperialist movement. Key to doing this will be organizing Black workers study circles. It is important that we spread among Black workers a proper understanding of the present economic and social systems, its basis and development, an understanding of various classes in society, of their inter-relationship, of the struggle between them, the history and future of capitalist and imperialist systems. Then once these study circles are wide spread we should attempt to pull them together into a viable Black Workers Organization. The Party newspaper will play an important role in unifying various study groups around the country. Building a Revolutionary Mass Movement entails moving all sectors of society. It also means building bases among the people. In order for any national mass movement to survive repression, it must have strong local bases and struggles to regional and eventually national coordination. While it is essential to build a base in the National Territory, in order to be successful in our National Liberation Struggle, the Party will have to have a National apparatus. Also very important to our success is the carrying out of total equality of Black Women in the Black Liberation Struggle. We must encourage sister's political development and welcome them as active Liberation Fighters. Only by organizing the overwhelming majority of our people, Black Workers and Black Women, will we be able to Win!



Rachel Burge