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and democratic movement
of grassroots migrants**

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IMA
International
Migrants' Alliance

about the IMA

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Under this dictum, grassroots migrant organizations from different parts of the world worked to build the International Migrants' Alliance – the first global alliance of migrants from the grassroots. With the establishment of the IMA, foreign workers who labor in factories, in agricultural fields, in households, in sweatshops, in restaurants, and in almost all other fields now have a voice that they can truly say is their own.

Established in June 2008, the IMA was founded by 108 organizations from 25 countries and composed mainly of grassroots migrant groups. Thirty-two (32) NGOs and institutions that provide services to migrants took part in the founding assembly.

IMA is a broad international alliance composed of progressive and anti-imperialist migrant organizations of different nationalities. It is unified under a clear Basis of Unity and General Program of Action.

Currently, IMA is present in almost all major global regions: Asia, Oceania, Latin America, North America, Africa, Middle East and Europe. Its international secretariat is based in Hong Kong.

objectives of the IMA

1 Deepen the perspective and understanding through the root causes of migration, its direct consequences and other related issues and problems, and the role of imperialism and governments and international institutions in the process of labor export and forced migration, support struggles for fundamental change and genuine development in labor-exporting countries.

2 Generate campaigns, opposition and action against human rights violations, abuses and violence committed against migrants, immigrants and refugees and to gather support to this cause.

3 Harness and continuously strengthen international cooperation and mutual support among the migrant and immigrant organizations in sharing strategies of resistance and in searching for solutions to the worsening problem of labor export and forced migration brought by imperialist globalization.

4 Encourage coordination and cooperation in national and regional levels of im/migrant organizations – through joint activities, coalition-building or establishing coordinating bodies – to undertake campaigns for the protection of their rights and welfare and strengthening their organizational capacities.

5 To establish support structures and networks and maximize the use of existing ones to organize and assist migrant workers, immigrants and refugees in receiving and sending countries, who are in need and who have problems.

6 To develop a genuine international anti-imperialist and pro-migrant advocacy network among various professionals, academicians and other citizen groups. Support the strengthening and organizing of immigrant groups and enhance advocacy work to change policies and laws. To expose reactionary migrant groups who are in service of imperialism.

