Call from organizations and movements from Fortaleza regarding the civil society action during the BRICS Summit in Fortaleza*

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Dear Comrades,

We would like, through this announcement, to strengthen our dialogues for the construction of an articulated action of organized civil societies from the BRICS countries (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) during the 6th BRICS Summit, to take place in July 15th and 16th in Fortaleza.

We emphasize the importance of the organization and meeting of civil societies from the BRICS in order to build stronger alliances in the struggle against this economic development model marked by the plundering of territories and violations of rights from different orders.

Facing this scenario, the BRICS Summit, from our point of view, should be understood as a political fact to mobilize us to build visibility and strategies of approximation and dialogue among us, as well as with the societies.

We are aware of the relevancy of a movement from Fortaleza, however we believe that this process should exceed the movements and organizations towards an amplified construction in the local, regional and national levels, and able for an international articulation.

We are worried about the fact the BRICS Summit will occur right after the 2014 World Cup, and Fortaleza will be one of the host cities. That puts us in a scenario of tension and uncertainty, since the expectation for this period is an increase of repression and violence against the population in general and especially against movements.

Nonetheless, we are willing to form a collective activity involving movements and organizations from Fortaleza as well as other states, and countries from the BRICS. Our idea is to organize a unified event of civil society from a critical field to the current development model that the block BRICS, through their governments, intend to strengthen.

For this we believe it is necessary to promote among us a survey regarding the "intentions" from the several collective actors that might want to support this mobilization so we can formulate, if that is the case, an integrating methodology. This is why we request that the organizations and movements about what they intend to do regarding actions and theme that may add up to this unified proposal. The reference theme of the event will be the critics to the development model.

We clarify that we do wish to elaborate a methodology where we can promote the unified debate and choose paths towards the fortification of national and international alliances.

We wait your answers, sending out our alliance and solidarity regards.

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