

EVERY PROPAGANDIST IS AN ACTIVIST!

ART & PROPAGANDA FOR THE PEOPLE

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Balikatan Exercises

what are the Balikatan Exercises?

The Enhanced Defense Cooperation Agreement (EDCA) is a 2014 expansion of the Visiting Forces Agreement allowing the US military access to certain Philippine Military (AFP) facilities for the purpose of military training. In practice, the EDCA allows the US military to retain a presence in the FDCA allows the US military to retain a presence in the Philippines despite the ban on permanent US Military bases.



The AFP has a clear pattern of targeting civilians, which is recognized by international law as a war crime. Their indiscriminate bombing of indigenous land and red-tagging of civilianand red-tagging red-tagging of civilianand red-tagging red-taggin

false arrests is being funded by the Philippine and American peoples, diverting funds from much needed economic aid programs toward the Balikatan Exercises.

Carried out under EDCA, the Balikatan Exercises will involve 10,000 American troops and 6,000 troops from the Philippines, Australia, and Japan. The effects on the assistance programs are being redirected to an inflated military budget during a rapidly worsening economic crisis. The expanded military operations actively pollute the land and waters that poor farmers rely on for survival. Fisherfolk are kept from fishing and accessing their livelihoods while the war games are conducted.

What is Propaganda Work?

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Propaganda expresses, clarifies, and animates the movement's analysis, objectives, and tasks at every given time and place.

Its purpose is to reach the broadest number of organized and unorganized masses and bring them over to the side of the revolution.

Propaganda unites the thinking, sentiments, and actions of the masses.



3 TASKS OF PROPAGAUDA WORK

3. Analyze and illustrate the life and struggle of the masses

2. Clarify our positions on issues, our program (what we're fighting for), and how to achieve it L. Expose the enemies of the revolution and oppose their anti-people schemes



more affordable public transportation

in the Philippines. October 2019



KASAMA

by Chris Aldana

Kasama, we're going home.

Come with me.

Kasama. let's go home. I can't promise salvation, or smiles. I can't promise that when you first see the ocean and feel its playful tug around your ankles, that you won't find yourself pretending that it's only saltwater on your cheeks, not tears. Kasama, I'm sorry we didn't return sooner, with tongues that slip smoothly between the languages we know in our bones. Here, I feel things that I can't form my mouth around, I listen to the staccato rhythm of our speech and fumble for meaning. Kasama, let's dance instead. Our people are so full of joy while in the claws of despair. They move to music like there is no government. They take each others hands and hips sway, they take the instruments the colonizers brought, the rhythms that they stole, and make new sounds of their own. Kasama. are you listening? To the way your bass line sounds in this country, fuller, deeper, louder? Kasama, I could tell you I love you deep as our ocean and still it wouldn't be enough.

First Propaganda Movement

"In the Filipino colony there should be no division, nor is there: one are the sentiments which move us, one the ideals we pursue; the abolition in the Philippines of every obstacle to our liberties, and in due time and by the proper method, the abolition of the flag of Spain as well."

- Marcelo H. del Pilar

The Ilustrados - Marcelo H. del Pilar, Graciano López Jaena and José Rizal - were Filipinos who had access to wealth and class, able to leave the colony to study in Spain, where they experienced racist discrimination. They campaigned for reforms in the Philippines and called for the Propaganda Movement to propagate their cause: equality, the end to corruption by replacing Spanish friars with Filipino priests, and recognizing the Philippines as a province of Spain.

While they were calling for statehood and not independence of the Philippines, del Pilar, Rizal, and others sounded the trumpets of Filipino nationalism which spread across the archipelago.

Rizal was later executed in Dec 30, 1896 and is now honored as a national hero. Before he died, del Pilar saw that the Propaganda Movement was limited in its call and instead pushed the demands for true freedom and a Filipino nation.



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↑ A PLACE FOR YOU TO GROW

by Aaron Gozum

Cebuano, meaning onward, let's push on, or let's keep moving forward..." sunflowers, and often used the phrase • padayon tayo, which comes from Philippines. And I remember he often posted photos of flowers, especially following him on social media to Stay up-to-date on organizing in the a source of inspiration. As a member of Malaya Movement, I had been Elegyn Balonga, Robert Aragon, and Tirso Añar. For many activists, Chad was "I wrote A Place for You to Grow in honor of Chad Booc, Gelejurain Ngujo II,



excerpt from "Militant Bakla!", GABRIELA LA

Movement Second Propaganda

bureaucratic capitalism. Philippine society: US imperialism, feudalism, and launched a campaign against the "three problems" of Kabataan Makabayan took Recto's call to heart and Philippines. Unsatisfied, the student movement and worsening economy and continued corruption in the influence in economics, politics, and culture resulted in a nationalist sentiment against Spanish colonialism. U.S. for a second movement to build upon the first wave of In the 1960s, Philippine Senator Claro Mayo Recto called

a truly free and democratic Philippines! The Second Propaganda Movement continues on to this



Social Media

- People spend a considerable amount of time online
- It's a primary source of information about the Philippines for migrants
- An integral part of YS lifestyle
- Combating prominent online sources of misinformation and confusion







BENEFITS

- Bite-sized education
- Can change the minds of those who are more open
- Establish presence; a display of lively organizational activity
- Possibility of engaging new people if done intentionally
- Can generate political pressure
- Moral support for the Philippines
- Can be a good source of information if done with critical lens

DISADVANTAGES

- Overreliance of social media to do all the prop, outreach and organizing
- Feeding the trolls, getting intimidated or discouraged by attacks
- Can also spread misinformation if unchecked
- Relying only on social media statistics to measure influence
- Having no social media presence at all
- Possibility for censorship or shadowbanning



EDUCATION WORK

Formal, concentrated, and systematic study of the people's movement

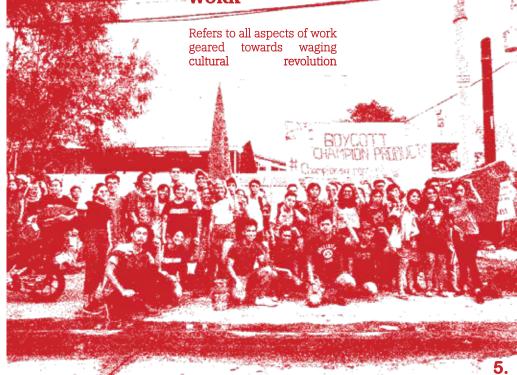


PROPAGANDA WORK

Work related to propagating the ND analysis and program

Aims to reach the broadest masses and move them to action

CULTURAL WORK





For Whom?

Effective Propaganda How to Make

movement.

Mass Line & Class Analysis in Prop Work

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Pay attention to the unity of

War Criminal Puppets by the US Out Of the Philippines Coalition, DM

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