

Who is Mother Africa? What is Imperialism?

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Enthusiastic Pan-Africans – the whole body of Africans called *Jaku* - have demanded further explanations about who Mother Africa is and what is meant by imperialism or an imperialist. It is in response to this popular request that I have deemed it necessary to explain the two concepts.

Who is Mother Africa?

Mother Africa is the common ancestor of all people of African descent irrespective of their physical characteristics and current location on this planet. However, there is a universal principle or a golden rule of nature to the effect that as a person thinks so is that fellow. Hence, those who do not accept the truth that they are descendants of Mother Africa cannot be considered as Africans for any person has the free will to disown his own mother, father or ancestor. Mother Africa is known by several names including Naa Jaku, Naa Yoomo, Asaase Yaa, the Human Spirit, and the Mother of the Human Race. Her names as the Mother of the Human race and the Human Spirit point to the fact that there is only one true race - the Human Race - and only one true nation - the nation of Human Beings. The two names also emphasize the undeniable fact that human life originated from Africa even as science has also confirmed. Hence, all human beings on this planet are essentially and potentially Africans, but not all human beings accept that they are Africans. This may be very disappointing to many Africans who perceive all people of European descent as despicable imperialists and greedy vampires always bent on sucking the blood of Pan-Africans through the exploitation of their human and material resources. The mistake in such a view, as explained below, is that not all Europeans are imperialists and there are many who claim to be Africans, but who are more imperialist and *vampiric* than Europeans. Moreover, there are Europeans who by their very actions and commitment to the African cause have demonstrated beyond reasonable doubt that they are better descendants of Mother Africa than many people who consider themselves to be African but have proved to be traitors and imperialist plants. Indeed, there are many Europeans and descendants of Europeans who hate imperialism and how it subjugates and marginalizes Africans. For example, Saint Fidel Castro who sent Cuban troops to defend his brothers and sisters in Angola against the imperialist monster is much more an African and much more a faithful son of Mother Africa than black traitors such as the Mobutu, Kasavubu, and Moise Tsombe clique of gangsters who together betrayed Saint Patrice Lumumba. In the struggle against apartheid also, there were many whites who sided with their African brothers while traitors such as Buthelezi sided with the apartheid criminals. Mere colour of the skin is therefore not what makes a person a true African but commitment to the aspirations of Pan-African nationalism and to the welfare of all Pan- Africans.

The origin of the word “Europe” shows that Europeans are essentially descendants of Mother Africa. The word Europe etymologically derives from the name of an African princess called Europa who visited the descendants of Mother Africa that migrated to and were living on that continent. At that time, all Europeans were black and had African hair

and nose. How did Europeans become white with straight hair, pointed noses, and paper lips? Those Africans living north of some latitude suffered from some disease which resulted in their losing much melanin. The same disease made them recessive in their genetic composition, stretched their hair, altered the colour of the eyes, and the shape of their lips. Appearances are therefore deceptive for all humans are essentially the same people. The disease affected people within and outside certain geographical areas differently. For example, the same disease is responsible for giving Chinese and Japanese yellow colour, slitted eyes and straight hair, but they retained their flat noses and black hair. Using the disease as reference, Europeans, Asians, and Amerindians may be called the grandchildren of Mother Africa. In the final analysis, all human beings are the same but different in only minor ways. If all human beings are of the same ancestry, then why do we fight against each other and among ourselves? It is because the imperialist devil, riding on the back of the doctrine of Thrasymachus, has blinded our eyes.

What is Imperialism?

Imperialism is a relationship of domination arising from the doctrine of Thrasymachus which teaches that it is the natural right of the strong to have more than their equal share of what the world has to offer and that in the arena of justice might is right. The doctrine of Thrasymachus comprises three instances in its completeness. These are the instances of Greed, Injustice, and Deceit that simultaneously constitute the very complete expression of the devil on earth. Any kind of domination by unfair means such as manipulation, lies, deceit, bribe, threat, force, or influence is imperialist and may occur at the individual, family, group, organizational, community, gender, national, or international levels. As such imperialism is independent of skin colour. Any unfair domination of one human being by another is imperialism and any perpetrator of such an attitude is an imperialist. For example, at the family level, any person who dominates a spouse by unfair means is a gender imperialist and there are many parents who are imperialist in their behaviour towards their own children. Furthermore, the decision as to whether some domination is fair or not rests with the victim for it is possible for rules to be intentionally contrived by those in power or holding some authority to justify and legitimize their behaviour. Legitimacy, therefore, is not an excuse that invalidates imperialism. What is imperialism at the national level? It is when a section of society dominates or attempts to dominate in some sphere of life. It includes gerrymandering and other manipulations in the political sphere by political parties, destructive competition, monopolistic and oligopolistic attitudes in the economic sphere, and cultural repression - ideological imperialism. At the national level, there are some, including bureaucrats, who by the very nature of their work are automatically compelled like robots to serve the interests of some imperialists giving orders within a hierarchy. Such people may be referred to as the robotic or automated imperialists. However, if a bureaucrat uses his or her position in the hierarchy to dominate others unfairly, that bureaucrat, is no longer a robotic imperialist but a real imperialist. Imperialism at the international level materialized itself, in the past, in the form of a slave or colonial relationship, but as a neocolonial relationship after independence. Imperialism at the international level is not perpetrated by individuals but by governments, international business such as multinational and transnational corporations, and by multilateral organizations such as

the International Monster without Feeling (IMF) alias the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the Worst Bandit (WB) alias the World Bank (WB). When we talk about imperialism at the international level, we do not mean the particular section of the human race called Europeans, for many Europeans are themselves victims of imperialism at this level, and there are many Africans - comprador imperialists and robotic or automated compradors - who are agents of the real imperialists from outside. It is therefore very wrong and very dangerous to label every European an imperialist for, in doing so, the real and despicable imperialists can hide behind that generalization screen. However, if an individual European demonstrates any tendency to dominate any African or group of Africans or any other human being by unfair means, then, that fellow is a real imperialist and must be carefully watched.

Race as an Artificial Construct

It is despicable imperialism operating at the international level that used its forked tongue within the instance of Deceit to construct the concept of race from certain physical characteristics and applied the instances of Greed and Injustice to perpetuate it. As explained above, appearances are deceptive. Because physical characteristics are appearances, they deceive people into believing that they belong to different races whereas, in reality, there is only one true race of human beings. There is no justification whatsoever for human beings to hate, fight, or be at war with one another for we are all brothers and sisters. However, we have allowed the imperialist devil to deceive us. There are enough resources in this world to make every soul happy but the instances of Greed, Injustice, and Deceit have prevented us from realizing that utopia. The consequence is marginalization in the midst of plenty.

Mother Africa and Imperialism

Mother Africa, in her capacity as the common ancestor of all human beings hates imperialism in all its forms. She hates the exploitation of one human being by another or the domination of one section of the human race by another. That is why She has anointed the Pan African Nationalist Front (PANF) to save her direct children - Africans or Pan-Africans from the shackles of imperialism perpetuated by her grandchildren. Because of the recognition that the real perpetrators of imperialism at the international level are the grandchildren of the same Mother Africa, the PANF has no other choice but to use peaceful and non-violent means. Its mode of operation is, therefore, based upon the principle that the pen is mightier than the sword. We cannot be violent towards our own children - non Africans or non Pan-Africans - or kill them when they offend us. Our tolerant disposition has been displayed clearly in South Africa and in Zimbabwe. However, if our rebellious children - Europeans and others who have disowned Mother Africa - slap us on one cheek, we are not prepared to turn the other cheek anymore for rebellious children deserve to be whipped. Spare the rod and spoil the child! If Princess Europa had used the rod earlier on her rebellious children in Europe who bore her name, they would have continued to revere Mother Africa and rid themselves of the barbarian spirit of imperialism. We shall not make that mistake again!
Revere Mother Africa! Long live Africa! Long live Pan-Africa!