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THE MAQUILA AFFECTS:

The agriculture and
economy of the region

Health: on Mexico's northern border, babies are born with
deformities from toxins released by maquilas.

The environment

The cultural life of the
community.

Human rights, workers' rights

The sovereignty of the
country.

Plan Puebla
Panama and the Maquila

THE PROGRESS SEEN
FROM THE EXPLOITATION
AND DESTRUCTION

A maquila is a factory dedicated to mass production for multi-national corporations like Guess, Levi's, Nike, etc.

They do not pay fair wages. A worker in Tehuacan or Ajalpan makes about 3000 pesos a week and earns about 250-350 pesos a week. One pair of Levi's costs from 1200-1500 pesos.

Maquilas are able to crush our human rights to save on costs.

But what can we do?

It's not easy to get rid of established maquilas. Local communities are dependent on them. It's necessary to promote workers' rights, to build DIY alternatives so communities can decide on their own form of development and economy.

Avoid the arrival of maquilas where they aren't yet installed.

By spreading this pamphlet, organizing with your community, denouncing violations of rights, constructing DIY projects, and everything else, you can think of to stop these abuses.

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If they buy our land, the money will only last a few months.

If we sell the land, we will have to make and buy products in commercial centers, at prices ten times what we're paid and who knows where the money goes?

But if we work the land and live on, we live for ourselves as well as for our children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, etc.

These are the opinions of many campesinos in Tepacac, Puebla, in Tenex tepango, Morelos, in San Salvador Atenco. They say we do not have to leave and are an example to all of us to fight for our land, for what we produce.

We produce the food on which we all live. It is fair that we live well. Those that have much money, earn more for things they don't need, things that often damage their health.

The land belongs to those who work it. Not to those who want to contaminate it with their industries.

If we sell the land and it's resources, we sell Mexico.

With NAFTA, the product of the Mexican field is replaced by foreign products, of lesser quality but with more commercial power, causing greater poverty to the Mexican farmer.

With the introduction of NAFTA in 1994, Mexico got more opportunities for progress. We are going to get rid of poverty.

Since we are going to get rid of poverty, can I export my radishes?

Salinas

No, we are the ones that will turn poor millionaires into multimillionaires.

American products, like their corn, are not fit for human consumption. They were discovered in a manifestation at the Northern border of Mexico.
Because Another World Is Possible

It is necessary to carry out alternatives and resistance to neoliberalism and the TPP. Like the organizations united to hurt us.

We must organize to defend ourselves.

The system is made of many parts but so are we, and there are millions of us.

If we want a world where we all fit, we must learn to listen, know, and respect each other, avoid exerting power over others and decide together what is best for everyone.

We must know the conditions we are going to struggle for, to decide the alternatives and resistance processes that are best for us. The alternatives mentioned here are only a few of the many that exist.

Because Another World Is Possible

Against the globalization of exploitation and the globalization of struggle and resistance with justice and dignity.

There is little community organizing in the city. People are more divided, often putting themselves into groups already being divided by their daily pastimes as workers, students, etc., generated as much by attitudes as by actions.

The diverse conditions between cities and country leaves space for creativity and imagination. It enriches the exchange of experiences. Resistance can happen individually or collectively, learning behind the idea of separation, learning more people, writing a poem, painting a picture giving a part of yourself to the resistance. There are different forms of breaking the silence.

Because Another World Is Possible

Plan Pueblo Panama and neoliberal politics in  
general affect various peoples of the world.

The response to a plan that makes communities economically dependent on big business? Economic independence and self-determination, to show that we can produce our own resources and projects for bettering their way of life. In this way, development is decided on for the sake of the community.

The alternatives in the country are very different than those in the city. For example, in the country, communal life is strong, the people organize, know and support each other.
The TPP looks to declare ecological zones in some municipalities of Huamantla, Guerrero, and parts of Coatzacoalcos, Puebla, but this under pretext to turn the land into tourist centers, to exploit and rob the biodiversity, so makes a business out of the land. Some companies send people who pretend to be interested in learning about the land, but in fact, their job is to identify place apt for biological exploitation. In the forest of the Magdalena, the lungs of Mexico, the government plans to build a highway from Tepic to Puebla and San Salvador Atenco, destroying this nature reserve.

They want to put in the MesoAmerican Biological Corridor, which would destroy the forests and use up the water, in an area that contains 40% of the world's biodiversity. Mexico has one of the highest rates of deforestation in the world. Why destroy our natural wealth? Because the corporations and the government receive enormous gains from this.

But we are Mexicans. This is where we live. We must organize ourselves and stop the economic agreements that only give money to a very few and leave us without the only wealth we have left—natural wealth.

In a far away place, industrialists, politicians and the WTO secretly plan the "Global Agreement on Free Trade Wood," a macabre plan to rob our forests, exploit our labor, and leave us with the waste. Is it any wonder Mexico has the highest rates of deforestation in the world?

In only 5 years, the lumber company Boise Cascade has destroyed 40% of the forests in Petatlan's mountains. If this rate continues in 10 years, the forests will be gone, we will be left without our slice of the pie! Ecologists and peasants have formed the "Organization of Commissions of the Petatlan Mountains." The ever-helpful army has assassinated members and tortured several members, like R. Montiel T. Cabrera.

It's a similar situation in other forests of Mexico: the southern mountains of Oaxaca, the Sierra Norte, Chihuahua, the peons protest against us as "criminal destroyers of the forest." The unbecoming! As if you could fight against the power of money!

World Trade Organization

President Fox appointed control of the Puebla to the military, set free the soldiers who tortured the ecologists, and had their defense attorney, Digna Ochoa, murdered. This shows that Fox is doing business with us.

Now in Tlaxco, the government has given us the go-ahead to put an airport on top of a nature reserve, and is repressing farmers who refuse to sell their land, for the prices we offer. I don't know what will be lost, only a miserable little town of 20,000 inhabitants, "San Salvador Atenco."
I am looking for work. What references do you have?

I studied for 9 years. Cut your hair.

Shave your beard.

Get a suit.

I told you, you have to be willing to adapt...

Professor, what have you heard about the Plan Puebla-Panama.

According to President Fox, the primary goal of the PPP is the development of the southeast region of the country.

Then they will give a large part of the budget to education in that region.

The region of the PPP is the poorest in the country. Has the lowest indicators in education, yet the federal government will only spend 27% of the budget on education.

This follows logic: the poorest, divided and uneducated, are easily taken advantage of and exploited.

It's a beautiful tradition.
The changes to the indigenous law allow companies by means of the government, to exploit, steal, and sell natural resources, destroy trees, and contaminate the water — without paying the landowners for the damage.

One example of the PPP's lack of concern for the environment is in the case of Robert Barros, a biodiverse autonomous zapatista municipality, where the PPP is trying to put in a golf course. The government is using the military and paramilitary to remove the people from their land. Things like this are happening in many communities. To avoid this, the people of Tene- tepano, Morelos, are organizing themselves to give loans to the campesinos that need them so as not to sell their land.

The San Andrés Accords put much importance on human rights, esp. women's rights. With the PPP, maquilas become a center for rights violations. Women are beaten, locked up, shouted at, mistreated, and unjustly paid for their work.

"We see maquilas, the PPP as a threat because they bring disorder to the communities. We looked to create sustainable development, under the COCOPA law."

— Indigenous woman from Tehuacán

The reformed indigenous law and the PPP violate treaty 69 of the ILO (International Workers Org.) signed by Mexico, that says "Indian towns must be consulted about any measurements that would affect it."

"That allows us to decide for ourselves the development we want, enjoying nature without hurting it.

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Some say the indigenous want autonomy, to become like a country within a country.

No autonomy is respecting the differences of the indigenous while keeping them as Mexicans.

Since the signing of the Accords, the federal government came up with the COCOPA law (Commission of Agreement and Facilitation). COCOPA is a summary of the San Andrés Accords approved by the Congress of the Union. But they changed some things. The assholes did not recognize indigenous rights, approving in its place their "indigenous law."
OK, professor, if the San Andres Accord was for the benefit of Mexican pueblos and peace in the country, why did they make another law?

Because the new law works for them, it opens a gap for the PPP, read the part where they "end poverty".

Through their authority, the indigenous can decide to not let the government or corporations exploit natural resources build superhighways or tourist centers.

The changes in Copala see the indigenous as "entities of the public right" for "objects of public interest." The approval of the government does not look for development by the communities, but submission and dependency on the "good will" of the Mexican government, who only takes into account the interests of big corporations.

"We must support productive activities and the sustainable development of the indigenous communities by actions that allow them to reach sufficient economic income, the support for public and private investments to create employment, blah, blah..."

That support for investments is, in fact, for the benefit of huge national and multinational companies. Their main attraction is cheap manual labor caused, in part, by the coffee crisis.

For example, if a company wants to move in to a community, if the company is recognized as an entity of public right, the community decides if the company moves in or not. But, with the change, the companies are seen as "public interest" and they government decides if they move in or not. The communities are put into the service of the companies.

The PPP will open maquilas. The indigenous will have to get them working their own land to assembling products. The profits will go to other countries.

But the installation of factories doesn't only affect the indigenous. The government will expropriate land under the pretext of "public use," of so-called benefits for the country, then destroy crop land for industrial zones, superhighways, golf courses, and tourist centers.

The San Andres Accord protected indigenous people's lands. In the new law, the property and possession of indigenous land is not recognized. Whoever has the property title, regardless of how they obtained it, can possess and use it. It's as though the indigenous are the ancestral inheritors.

"And how is that?"

The PPP region, the farmers and indigenous have already suffered the expropriation of their land, as in San Andres Tecpan, Chalipan, Tepilula..."

We must remember that in part of the PPP region, the farmers and indigenous have already suffered the expropriation of their land, as in San Andres Tecpan, Chalipan, Tepilula..."

Look! There is no more land!
They want us to be dependent on their products, for example, pesticides, herbicides, that we help them to destroy the land.

It is sad because we are going to depend on cars of food sold to us by foreigners, knowing we used to grow it.

We can resist this can't we? They are not going to get away with this so easily.

As if there aren't already paramilitary and spies in the communities and in the press, like the Porcider. For example in an autonomous municipality in Chiapas (Roberto Barrios), the government has taken over the press so the people will accept the measures put on them.

Oh no, the government and organizations like the World Bank know they must fortify their corridors with repressive bodies and just them.

Yes, and it is because they want to put in a golf course.

This is difficult, but we have to put up a fight, or are we going to walk away, to move for the government and corporations?

Ya no hablen tanto. Don't even speak of it. We are going to stop it! Let's go to the parola.

Don't I say that?

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THE NEWEST CORRIDORS

Hey pal, did you know they are going to clear our land and put in a highway?

Well, we have been talking and informing ourselves about that. It is part of the Plan Puebla Panama. It plans to build highways as part of what he calls "industrial corridors!"

Industrial corridors are factories and highways that can quickly transport merchandise to save time and money in the storage of products.

Whoo! How they plot! And who does this?

Transnational companies, like GE, BP, Levi's, Guess, Nike, Ford, Monsanto, etc.

The corridors also prevent workers from going to the US for jobs. This way we can exploit them legally.

What do you mean biological? They are going to do experiments on us?

Ah, so this is part of the PPP?

So, its friend. The plan is to cross the country with highways, full of assembly plants. The companies also want to put in corridors of communications, energy, and even biological corridors.

Well, almost, but with our natural resources. They are going to privatize our ancestor's knowledge of plants, agriculture, medicine, etc. And they are going to charge those who use this ancestral knowledge.
Tourism, education, territory, maquilas are some of the themes of the PPP. An economy based only on the benefit of big business, that "brings progress to the country?" It affects all Mexicans, but is it the only road? 

No! To counteract these measures that will make us dependent, we must be strong and create autonomy and self-determination, to decide what development we need and how to create it.

Now is the time for us to organize to defend our land, our culture, our lives.

In Tepéh, in the valley of the mezquite shrubs, there is an autonomous, indigenous enterprise that employs 190 people and pays dividends to 300 families of people who have worked on the communal property since 1991. Yes, another option does exist for the development and general growth of the country. Instead of selling it to foreign countries, we must push for growth from the same Mexicans who have been rightfully dependent on this land for generations.

The PPP is a project that claims to be a development strategy, a vanguard of social, economic, environmental, and commercial expansion and integration, increasing sustained growth, and generating opportunities to provide employment opportunities, to obtain social development and the human population. -PPP document

Of course, but this is a country of "equal opportunities"? You will have to compete with Delinex.

In Puebla, Veracruz, Guerrero, Oaxaca, Tabasco, Yucatan, Campeche, Quintana Roo and Chiapas, also in Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, Costa Rica, and Panama.

Where is this going to happen?

Don't worry, they aren't stealing from the PPP benefits from high ways, train lines, sewers, gas lines, etc.

Where will you put all of that?

Well, wherever my foreign friends need to create industrial corridors.

Gulp