



On Imperialist Globalization

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Fidel Castro is one of the keenest observers of the process of globalization in the world. In these two speeches delivered on the eve of the new century, he critically analyses the workings of the imperialist world order, manifested in new forms of economic exploitation, attacks on national sovereignty, cultural subjugation, and military aggression. `The incredible and unprecedented globalization under discussion is a product of historical evolution, achieved in no more than 3,000 years of the long presence of our ancestors on the planet. The man of today is not more intelligent than Pericles, Plato or Aristotle, and we do not know as yet if he is intelligent enough to solve today`s extremely complex problems. We are betting on his doing it.` What kind of globalization do we have today? A neo-liberal globalization. Is it sustainable? No. Will it be able to last for a long time? Absolutely not. Who will be the builders of the new world? The men and women who inhabit our planet. Which will be their basic weapons? Ideas - and consciousness. Who will sow them, cultivate them and make them invincible? You will. Is it utopia? No, because it is objectively inevitable and there is no alternative to it. As Jose Marti said: `Today`s dreams will be tomorrow`s realities.`

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