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**THE SOCIALIST MOVEMENT OF GHANA DECLARES SOLIDARITY WITH
BREAKTHROUGH NEWS AGAINST THE TRUMP-RUBIO ASSAULT ON A FREE PRESS**

The Socialist Movement of Ghana (SMG) issues this statement to declare, in the clearest possible terms, our solidarity with the journalists, staff, and supporters of BreakThrough News in the United States, as they face a coordinated campaign of political persecution orchestrated by the Trump administration, Secretary of State Marco Rubio, and their allies in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Last week, the House Ways and Means Committee, controlled by Trump-aligned Republicans issued sweeping subpoenas against BreakThrough News, demanding the outlet turn over its financial records and internal communications by August 7. This is not routine congressional oversight. It is a targeted act of intimidation against an independent media organization whose only "crime" has been to report the truth.

We are not deceived by the language of "national security" or "foreign influence" being used to dress up this attack. We recognize it for what it is: a naked attempt by a declining imperial power to silence a press outlet that has refused to parrot the official lies of the U.S. State Department.

Why BreakThrough News Is Being Targeted

BreakThrough News has done what the corporate press of the United States ;CNN, MSNBC, the New York Times, Fox have systematically refused to do. It has reported honestly and unflinchingly on the genocide being carried out by the Zionist state of Israel against the Palestinian people, a genocide actively financed, armed, and diplomatically shielded by the United States government, Democrat and Republican administrations alike. While the corporate press manufactured consent for the bombing of hospitals, schools, and refugee camps in Gaza, BreakThrough News gave voice to the Palestinian people themselves.

It has also stood, for years, with the people of Cuba against the illegal, decades-long U.S. economic blockade, a blockade condemned nearly unanimously by the United Nations General Assembly year after year, a blockade whose only purpose is to strangle a sovereign socialist nation for the "crime" of refusing to submit to Washington's dictates.

It is precisely this record, honest reporting in defense of Palestine and Cuba, and by extension in defense of every people resisting U.S. imperialism that has made BreakThrough News a marked target. When a media outlet refuses to manufacture consent for empire, empire moves to destroy it.

This subpoena does not stand alone. It is part of a broader, deliberate strategy by the Trump administration and its allies to brand left-wing, progressive, and anti-war voices as "domestic terrorists" and "foreign agents." This is the language of criminalization, designed to justify surveillance, prosecution, and ultimately the dismantling of the right to dissent itself.

This is a familiar playbook. Throughout the history of the United States, whenever ruling elites have faced declining political fortunes and rising popular discontent, they have reached for the same weapon: repression dressed up as patriotism. From the Palmer Raids to COINTELPRO to the persecution of journalists and whistleblowers who exposed U.S. war crimes, the pattern repeats. Today, with a bipartisan

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foreign policy establishment losing legitimacy at home and abroad, over Gaza, over Cuba, over the broader failures of U.S. empire the state again turns to intimidation of the press as a tool of last resort.

We note, too, that this is not solely the work of a fringe faction. Marco Rubio, as Secretary of State, has spent his career as one of Washington's most consistent enforcers of the blockade against Cuba and one of the most reliable defenders of Israeli impunity. That his State Department and Trump's Congress now converge in this attack on BreakThrough News is not a coincidence, it is confirmation of exactly what BreakThrough News has been reporting all along.

Our Position

The Socialist Movement of Ghana rejects, unconditionally, this attack on the freedom of the press and the right of the people in the United States and everywhere, to know the truth about the crimes committed in their name and with their tax dollars.

We salute the thousands of ordinary people across the United States who have already spoken out against this subpoena, and the hundreds who have stepped forward to materially defend BreakThrough News's ability to keep reporting. This is the spirit of international solidarity that empire fears most: ordinary people refusing to be divided, refusing to be silenced, and refusing to let a handful of politicians in Washington dictate what truths may be told.

We call upon:

- All progressive, socialist, and anti-imperialist organizations across Africa and internationally to publicly declare solidarity with BreakThrough News and to demand the House Ways and Means Committee withdraw its subpoena;
- All defenders of press freedom, regardless of political affiliation, to recognize this attack for the constitutional violation it is;
- The international labour and left movement to understand that an attack on truthful journalism about Palestine and Cuba is an attack on the entire global movement against imperialism, and must be met with the same solidarity we extend to any comrade under siege.

The Socialist Movement of Ghana stands firmly, unshakably, with BreakThrough News. No subpoena, no threat, no act of congressional intimidation will change the fact that the truth about Gaza and about Cuba has already been told, and will continue to be told. The attempt to silence BreakThrough News will fail, just as every previous attempt to silence the truth about empire has ultimately failed.

Free Palestine. End the Blockade on Cuba. Hands Off BreakThrough News. The People's Voice Will Not Be Silenced.

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