

A WORD OR 2

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“Black Nationalism is the only real solution for Black People in the United States.”

THE SYSTEM ALWAYS WINS

I recently read an article by a young Brother (Mukoma wa Ngugi “Africa Does Not Need More Western Philanthropy”). He cited some sources that I will not name here, even though I will mention two or three of the statistics he uses.

I’ll detour for a moment. Too many individuals get hung up on “sources;” they think whether or not the author tells you where you can find certain information says something about his or her “credibility.” I don’t believe that at all. As I wrote in my book, Ten Lessons: An Introduction to Black History, “Research and honesty, not footnotes and bibliographies, are the real bases of scholarship. Don’t play the fool!”

Nearly every one of the lies that fill white power’s collective book shelf are supported by footnotes and bibliographies. White power’s most dedicated researchers and brightest educators ignore the rules of honest scholarship whenever they need to come up with a reason for doing so. In fact, people in general tend to view the evidence vis a vis what they have to gain or lose. And, to speak of the evidence, how many of us ever get to review the actual evidence, the raw data? Not many.

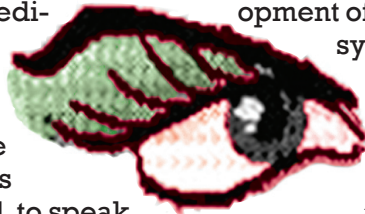
Unfortunately, it comes down to this: One learns to receive certain sources with a grain of salt, be suspicious of all others, and blindly follow none of them. I don’t care whether the figures cited by this young Brother are true or not; what I do care about is whether or not they represent the truth. I am certain enough that these figures represent the truth. If I did the research, I don’t think I would come up with the same figures, but the figures I come up with would represent the same truth. That, for me, is “credibility.”

What are the stats cited by the young Brother? (#1) For every dollar given to Africa in aid, the donors get two dollars back (#2) Mali received 37.7 million in US aid in 2001, but lost 43 million dollars through cheap market prices.

Number one tells Us foreign “aid” benefits non Africans (white power) and impoverishes Africa. Number two tells Us foreign “aid” benefits non Africans (white power manipulates market prices) and impoverishes

Africa. The bottom line WE need to recognize is this: The system whose rules you play according to ALWAYS WINS, regardless of all other considerations.

Some people would wonder how the figures would look if similar studies were done on so called African Americans. I don’t wonder that at all because I know the truth; I see it every day. Every time African Americans squeeze a concession out of white power America, white power America benefits and Black America suffers. Every time white power America gives a Black business a “break,” white power America benefits and Black America suffers. None of it benefits the Black community, and not one penny granted to a Black capitalist is invested in the development of an independent Black Power Economics system.



Aid to the victims of Hurricane Katrina, and others? If you do so within the capitalist context, white power benefits (makes money, gets more entrenched) and the victims of Katrina, etc. (Black America) get worse. Time to stop playing the fool, don’t you think?

Here’s another stat cited by the Brother: (#3) In 2003, the African elite had \$80 billion sitting in Western banks (supporting white power). At the same time African governments owed these same banks \$30 billion. The same equation, the same result. Which begs one to ask, “What are so called African Americans doing with the money and resources they have?” Supporting white power! I know that’s true because I see it every day, but some of you are not going to consider what I see “credible.”

One thing Black People in the United States need to do to make progress is establish a Black Power Economics system. Become a Black Power Economist. Go online to www.asetbooks.com, click on the Classes link and scroll down to the Economics 101 and 201 courses.

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