



Taseqamut n Temrikt-Ugafa i yibeddi yer yidis n Ymaziyen n Libya

Tiddukla Tadelsant Tamaziyt Deg Marikan

Agraw n Imaziyen n Marikan



North America Support Committee for the Amazigh of Libya
Amazigh Cultural Association in America
Berber American Community



Tiyri yer temlilit | Call for a sit-in

Ass n sed 17 Dujamber 2011 yef 13h00 | Saturday December 17th, 2011, at 1 PM

**Deg Central Park deg teyremt n New York*
In Central Park, New York City***

*Idelli, atmaten-nney deg Libya nnuyen akken ad
yeyli umesbatli n Lqeddafi, ass-a nulfan-d
Iqeddafiyen nniḍen. Asmi yehma useqqi n
tegrawla, CNT yesqizib-asen i Yimaziyen tura imi
wwḍen s ayen byan, ttin-d fell-asen Akka i tedra i
Leqbayel deg Lzayyer deg useggas 1962.*

*Imaslaḍen n CNT d uselway n unabaḍ amaynu
sbanen-d iman nsen d icenga n tmaziyt. Ttun s
zirban belli d Imaziyen i yesseylin anabaḍ n
Qeddafi deg Tripoli.*

**« Mgal n yicenga-nney n yiḍelli akked wid n
wass-a :**

A Yimaziyen n Libya aql-ay yid-wen »

- Ulac Libya m'ulac Tamaziyt
- Tamaziyt d tutlayt tunṣibt deg Libya
- Mgal n CNT amaynut yerran Imaziyen yer rrif
- I Libya uzekka, d tatrart d tagdudant

The Amazigh people of Libya played a leading role in the fall of the Gaddafi dictatorship. They brought the Amazigh culture and language to the forefront by making it an important part of their struggle. They fought as *Imazighen* [Free People] and insisted that all Libyans and the rest of the world know this critical fact. Nobody can ignore the crucial role they played in freeing Libya from the claws of a mad dictator. The NTC [National Transitional Council] took over the reins of government from him. This junta did not waste any time in unveiling their real face vis-à-vis *Imazighen*. They not only excluded the Amazigh component from the new interim government but also granted a ministerial position to an individual who made racist statements against *Imazighen* at an August meeting of the NTC.

The *Imazighen* say they are not prepared to negotiate the status the Amazigh language and culture will have in Libya. They rejected the new government and withdrew their representatives from the NTC. They made their demands clear. Since November 23, they have been out in the streets of Tripoli and throughout the Amazigh region to denounce the new Libyan government and the NTC, which they describe as racist. *Imazighen* played a crucial role in the overthrow of Gaddafi. So, they have earned the right to sit at the Libyan table. How can any government claim legitimacy without them? Their fight will continue until justice is done.

The Amazigh people of Libya are giving us the best example of determination in the fight to preserve the Amazigh culture. The world must show its support and not forget the struggle of and the discrimination against this courageous people. In particular, we are calling on the Amazigh associations, organizations, and activists worldwide to mobilize and show their support for this noble cause. It is crucial that we stand beside the Amazigh people of Libya. We want them to know they are not alone. We must be together in any issue that concerns our identity. December 17 has been designated as the international day of solidarity with the Amazigh people of Libya and to denounce any attempt by the NTC to bury the aspirations of this brave people. No more dictatorship in Libya. We also take this opportunity to denounce all the past government attempts throughout North Africa to bury the Amazigh people's dreams for freedom and justice.

Join us on December 17. Let us fly the flag of peace, true democracy, and justice and show our Amazigh brothers and sisters in Libya that we are with them. No more racist dictatorship in Libya.

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