

## **Potere al Popolo supports the international mobilization of the “Campanha Fora Bolsonaro”**

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Potere al Popolo adheres to and participates in the international mobilization called by the platform "Campanha Fora Bolsonaro", which brings together numerous political, trade union and social organizations that daily commit themselves and fight for democracy, social justice and the rights of the oppressed and exploited in Brazil, in particular against the neo-fascist, liberalist, racist and authoritarian government of President Jair Bolsonaro.

Brazil is the second country in the world in terms of number of infections and deaths due to the Covid-19 pandemic. President Bolsonaro's denialism and the carelessness of his government were the main causes of the worsening health emergency, causing more than 100,000 deaths throughout the country, a number that is unfortunately destined to increase further. The collapse of the health and hospital service in the face of the pandemic has exacerbated social and class problems: the popular classes, the most precarious and fragile people and the indigenous communities of the Amazon have paid with their lives for President Bolsonaro's misdeeds. The mass graves at the gates of Manaus, as in other cities, where thousands of people who died for Covid-19 were buried, represent a crime against the Brazilian people and the whole of humanity that cannot be kept silent.

Brazil is still plagued today by the health crisis, to which the economic and political crisis is increasingly added. The dismantling of social assistance plans, the return of savage liberalisations and the growing wave of privatisations risk cancelling out the achievements of the popular sectors, workers and students with the progressive governments of Lula and Dilma Roussef. Bolsonaro's foreign policy is aimed at bringing Brazil back under the political and economic sphere of influence of the United States, partly because of the "criminal sympathy" with President Donald Trump. There is no doubt that the federal government led by Bolsonaro is relentlessly advancing in its will to revoke all social and civil rights, in its recognition of the ideology and violent action of several declaredly neo-fascist groups in society, and in its instrumentalisation for political purposes of justice and internal security services in an authoritarian escalation.

But with the same strength, a variegated social opposition movement is rising and growing, courageously fighting for democracy and for the rights of all people, shouting loudly in the streets: "Fora Bolsonaro! Convinced by the necessity of this struggle and faithful to the internationalist commitment to the oppressed people of Brazil, we show all our solidarity with those who fight against the classist contempt and racist hatred of the neo-fascist government of Bolsonaro, especially in this socio-sanitary context where the lives of thousands of people are at risk.

