

Sanaa Taleb is a 33 years old moroccan that has been living in greece the last 5 years. She had been working in a shop in the centre of Athens until the 04th April when she was detained for not having a residence permit in the country. Like the rest of the detained migrants, she was driven to the detention centre for women in Elliniko (Athens). This centre has a capacity of 120 persons, and apart from everything else, has been repeatedly accused for its horrible conditions of detention.

As the limit of 6 months was approaching, which is the limit for the administrative detention for migrants without residence permits that had been announced by the government in the past, Sanaa was informed for the decision of the director of the 'aliens police directorate' for the extension of her detention for a period of 3 more months. Together with another on one her fellow detainees and under the support of solidarity groups they started protesting for this decision and the conditions they were imprisoned by not accepting the meals they were given by the authorities. Some more of their fellow detainees that were going to take part in the protest, were forced to back up, after the threats of the consequences that would have which were given by the prison guards,

On Thursday 05/11 as she was continuing her protest, she was announced that she was going to be let free. However, her enthusiasm about these developments didn't last for long, as she was driven handcuffed to the Attica Aliens Police Directorate at Petrou Ralli and then at the airport. When she realised she was taken for deportation she fought back. As she denounces, the cops that accompanied her beat her, pulled her by the hair and closed her mouth with their hands. And all this while he was tied hand and foot. Sanaa managed to prevent her deportation, but she was loaded with criminal charges of disobedience and destruction of property (damage to the police car). Through this, we are in front of the first case that a migrant is charged with disobedience because she did not consent to her deportation. Despite the persistent request to testify in the presence of her lawyer for the conditions of the deportation operation, this was not allowed and a testimony was tried to be taken, unsuccessfully, the next day without any legal support.

After her return to the detention centre of Elliniko on the 6/11, she continued her protest. However the guards started refusing the packed food the solidarity groups were handing to the detainees, putting her under pressure but also trying in this way to turn her fellow detainees against her and isolate her. At the same time, she was refused to be granted the pills she needed to be able to sleep despite the doctors' diagnoses that the prolonged detention has consequences on her health. On late November she was hospitalized guarded in hospital (Dafni) and based on the medical report a parole request was filed which was also rejected. The morale of Sanaa was not bent. Specifically, on 14/12/2015 she proceeded on a two-day hunger strike together with other detainees managing to earn part of their demands which had mainly to do with the improvement of the prison conditions.

On Friday, January 8, the Sanaa Taleb was "sentenced" by the cops to three more months of detention. It is the first known case that a woman migrant must complete a full year of administrative detention. The justification paper she was handed, claims her detention was extended because her deportation is pending, a claim which blatantly ignores the fact that her application for asylum hadn't yet been examined!

Sanaa currently overall faces a criminal court for the categories she was charged with during her deportation attempt whilst awaiting examination for asylum. She has driven four times in court on 09.11.2015, on 17.11.2015, on 26.01.2016 and on 01.03.2016 but all four times her case got postponed. **The new court is set for May 31, 2016.** Her application for asylum was examined on mid February and was denied. An objection of this decision has been submitted by her lawyer, which was supposed to be examined on March 9th but was postponed as well.

In her face we do not just see a migrant who stands up against a racist anti-migrant mechanism that has led her enclosed in a modern concentration camp. We can distinguish a simultaneous struggle against a patriarchal world that awaits the prisoners to stoically accept their fate. We see a class struggle against exploitation and invisibility which the most underrated parts of this world are led to. A fight against a system of hostile segregations such as those between refugees and migrants, which while it winks at the first preparing them as the new cheap labor at the same time demonstrates its sharp teeth to all the others. Because the enclosure in the modern concentration camps is part of the total war against migrants which is taking place at the borders where they are killed or entrapped, at the city ghettos they are condemned to live, at the factories and the fields they are exploited.

We stand in Sanaa's and her inmates' side for all the reasons in the world. We invite all our comrades that realise the importance of this case to organize solidarity actions. To show once again that the struggle against the world of racism and exploitation knows no borders. To break once for all the wall of invisibility is trying to be imposed surrounding the outcasts of their world, but also any form of discrimination that is trying to divide us.

Immediate withdrawal of all categories that Sanaa Taleb has been charged with

Legal documents for all migrants

Freedom of movement for all

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