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Every month, you can depend on *Migrants against HIV/AIDS* for clear and precise news, information, and reports you can use. We document local efforts, initiatives, and campaigns by Black/third World, refugee, and migrant communities and their allies and offer an open forum for debate on relevant issues.

In addition, we report on what governments, the European Union, and international organizations are doing on a pan-European level.

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# WHAT WE STAND FOR

*Migrants against HIV/AIDS (Migrants contre le SIDA/HIV)* is a monthly, independent newsletter in French and in English which focuses on grassroots activist efforts by refugee, migrant, and Black/Third World communities in Europe to end the HIV/AIDS crisis and its health, social, cultural, economic, and political consequences.

HIV is not likely to be the *primary* concern for refugee, migrant, and Black/Third World communities. However, AIDS struggles – whether to stop the deportation of people with AIDS, to guarantee access to proper care and housing, to insure that people know about HIV, to contest political or religious conservatism in whatever its form – are intrinsically connected both to the broader realities faced by Black/Third World communities in Europe today and to the legacies of community struggles.

'The fight against AIDS' is of necessity a struggle for social justice and economic empowerment. We believe the political struggle against the institutionalized racism of Fortress Europe is a precondition to obtaining health for all.

The staggering diversity of migrant, refugee, and Black/Third World communities — of the different consequences of HIV/AIDS for each of our communities, of all the things which divide us — make cross-border collaborative work and learning about each other's living traditions of resistance and struggle for health, for equality, and against racism an imperative.

Many have expressed the need for a forum open to the diversity of experiences and perspectives of refugee, migrant, and Black/Third World activists and their allies on the frontlines of AIDS activism today. We believe the time is right for an independent publication to document on the situations and to report on organizing efforts, cases, and campaigns.

## Articles on...

*In the coming months, Migrants against HIV/AIDS will focus its coverage on France and Britain, as we continue to develop our network of contacts, correspondents, and distributors throughout Europe.*

- Medical staff or immigration police: Is informing on undocumented, sick people with AIDS a European problem?
- A review of WHO's first European report on collaboration between governments, NGOs, and ethnic minority organization in AIDS prevention, support and care

- Report: Are traditional AIDS service organizations able to respond to migrants' needs?
- Sweden: Are racist border controls the pretext for cutting HIV/AIDS migrants programs?
- Antiracist sex education in the age of AIDS
- The new hysteria: Striking down The London Times' Anti-Irish racism, Paris *Nouvel Observateur* invents 'heterosexual', African HIV
- Dismantling the myths of 'African' AIDS
- AIDS activism in South Africa
- Asylum for fear of persecution because of sexual orientation or HIV status
- Down South: African-American teens and HIV in Atlanta, USA
- Black people, AIDS, and British public health
- South Asian

- AIDS organizing in London
- The British *Asylum Bill*: Consequences for people with AIDS
- French-style apartheid: Racist health 'care' for Arab & Black African prisoners
- 'No Justice, No Peace': Struggles in France to stop the deportation of Arab and Black African PWAs
- Remembering Nordine Zaïmi (1962-1991), Gay *Beur* author of *Contes des vies rusées et Le tombeau de la Folle*
- Drugs in our community: The story of *Espoir Goutte d'Or* neighborhood association
- Fightin' shame: Silence around AIDS deaths
- Racist discrimination in the hospitals: mandatory testing or "sentinel surveillance"?

## The "Kiosque" is yours

We welcome short items on any topic: events, press releases, news notes, readers' campaign news. Send reports together with illustrations and photos to us. Remember to give a name, address, and telephone info so readers to contact you. But if *Migrants against HIV/AIDS* is to be useful to the campaigns going on throughout Europe and elsewhere, we urgently need to increase the newsletter's size and circulation. And we can only do this with your financial support.

## Correspondents & distributors

We are constantly seeking to broaden our network of correspondents and contacts, as well as extend our distribution network. We need correspondents in every country, from every community. The only obligation is to send at least one news item by the 15th of each month. We will also provide issues of the newsletter for organizations interested in distributing it in their local area.

## Questionnaire

We are preparing an open-ended questionnaire about the AIDS & human rights situation for migrants, refugees, and Black/Third World communities. Please contact us if you are interested in participating and/or collaborating on development, distribution, or publication of the questionnaire.

## Editorial working committee

We are in the process of bringing together people willing to be on our editorial working committee with a broad range of skills and experiences. The committee will be responsible for the newsletter's continued activities and development.

## French and English editions

*Migrants contre le sida/VIH*, the French-language edition of *Migrants against HIV/AIDS*, usually appears a few days before the English edition does. The content is identical, although in some cases the amount of coverage of a particular issue may differ.

## Article submission info

We welcome unsolicited submissions. Our deadline is the 15th of every month. Articles may be edited for style and length (and will be translated into French/English), but any changes will be discussed with the authors. Manuscripts should be submitted, if possible, on 3.5" Mac or PC disquette, *Microsoft Word* format. Submissions may also be e-mailed to: [r-sadki@worldnet.net](mailto:r-sadki@worldnet.net). Letters to the editor should be succinct and may be edited for length

## About electronic publishing

*Migrants against HIV/AIDS* seeks to support efforts to democratize access to electronic media, to make it economically and politically useful to grassroots Black/Third World organizations and activists.

We publish an electronic edition of the newsletter which can be found at our web site (<http://users.aol.com/migrants>) or requested by e-mail ([r-sadki@worldnet.net](mailto:r-sadki@worldnet.net)). We welcome requests for training and support from interested groups.

## Some of the people we've asked to contribute or interview in the coming months

- Toufik Abdalla, (CRIPS, Paris)
- Jamel Boussafara and Mohamed Ben Saad (Tunisian Workers' Association, Paris)
- Rosalind Chirimuuta (co-author of *Africa, AIDS, and racism*)
- Zoubida Djelali (Médecins du Monde, Paris)
- Mohamed El-Moubaraki (Migrations-Santé, Paris)
- Khurram S. Hassan (HIV teen counselor, Atlanta)
- Cari Hutton (Immunity, London)
- Nacer Kettane (Intermed Assistance, Paris)
- Charles Mayombwe (Positive Care Link, London)
- Brahim Miloudi (Espoir Goutte d'Or, Paris)
- Kim Mulji and Hansa Patel (NAZ Project, London)
- Kanyana Mutombo (*Regards Africains*, Geneva)
- Amosy N'Koma, (African Health Team, Sweden)
- Oonagh O'Brien and Siobhan Riordan (Positively Irish Action on AIDS, London)
- Sofi Ospina (Projet Migrants, Geneva)
- Djouher Oulde Méziane (URMED, Paris)
- Pratibha Parmar (London)
- Jayshree Pillay (London)
- Margaret Poultny and Dorothy Mukasa (Uganda AIDS Action Fund, London)
- Sébastien Souled (Paris)
- Mark Watson (Stonewall Immigration Group, London)
- and many more...