

## The Afrodescendant Economic Stimulus Plan April, 2009

## Drafted in concert by Afrodescendants in The United States of America

April 5, 2009, Washington D.C. marked the initial discussion by African-Americans for the establishment of The Afrodescendant Economic Stimulus Plan. The gathering consisted of a cross-section of Afrodescendants representing various regions of the country as well as various religious and political affiliations. The one thing that we all shared was a common history and a recognizable need to support a stimulus plan exclusively for Afrodescendants given the unique contributions to America and the desperate need facing each person, family, community, city and state where Afrodescendants live during these critical economic times. The outcome of such spirited discussion gave birth to the need for formal development of the stimulus plan and mobilization of interest. Thus the heart and spirit of this plan can be felt in the following words.

Whereas the current economic conditions of the American economy have left Afrodescendants vulnerable to harsher times and least likely for recovery it is prudent of the Federal Government to support The Afrodescendant Economic Stimulus Plan to assist this distinct group of African-Americans...

Whereas Afrodescendants have been cornerstones of the American economy demonstrated by the Atlantic Slave Trade and its economic contributions to the beginning of the new American government, sequential administrations and industry...

Whereas opportunities for Afrodescendants have been limited and in many cases non-existent because of sociopolitical and socioeconomic barriers... See following note from H.R. 194....

110th CONGRESS, 1st Sessi94, February 27, 2007, IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, *Apologizing for the enslavement and racial segregation of African-Americans*.

....Whereas millions of Africans and their descendants were enslaved in the United States and the 13 American colonies from 1619 through 1865; .....

.....Whereas after emancipation from 246 years of slavery, African-Americans soon saw the fleeting political, social, and economic gains they made during Reconstruction eviscerated by virulent racism, lynchings, disenfranchisement, Black Codes, and racial segregation laws that imposed a rigid system of officially sanctioned racial segregation in virtually all areas of life;.....

Whereas there have not been afforded any efforts to redress historical wrongs and to normalize Afrodescendant economic conditions ....

Whereas during good economic times Afrodescendants fared the worst and during economic crisis

Afrodescendants suffer the most. See comments by President Barak Obama...

...."Tough times for America often mean tougher times for African Americans. This recession has been no exception," .... "The unemployment rate among black Americans is a full five points higher than the rate among Americans as a whole. At the same time, we know that government cannot and will not succeed alone. It will take all of us stepping up and doing our part."...

- Whereas neighborhoods, cities and states with substantial Afrodescendant populations are economically affected disproportionately than other cities and states with different ethnic demographics...
- Whereas immigration policies, trade agreements, and labor relations do not consider the past and present contributions of Afrodescendants in the American economy...
- Whereas Afrodescendant students require the most financial need for higher education and professional certification while having the least opportunity...
- Whereas Afrodescendants are apart of a larger global community of Afrodescendants who exist as minorities in nation states where they live, seek global solutions to the socioeconomic and sociopolitical conditions that affect progress internationally.

Thus, We, Afrodescendants, descendants from Africa, products of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade, participants in every major American war and conflict, cornerstones of American industry and major contributors of American culture and life seek the support of an Economic Stimulus Plan supported by The White House, Congress, Department of Treasury, Federal Reserve, American Industry, State and local municipalities...

## We seek the following in the form of

## The Afrodescendant Economic Stimulus Plan:

- > Exemption of Federal Taxation for an undetermined number of years
- Equal employment and business opportunity
- Student Loan Forgiveness accompanied with Tuition Assistance for College and Professional Certification (secondary and post-secondary education)
- Direct Economic Stimulus of \$8.6 Trillion / \$200,000 per Afrodescendant
- Establishment of a Global Stimulus Plan for Afrodescendants in the Slavery Diaspora

To meet these ends we seek the audience of Afrodescendants and all mentioned parties to manifest these needs and aspirations.



**AFRE delegation in Peru at United Nations meeting** 

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