

Neocolonialism and Africa

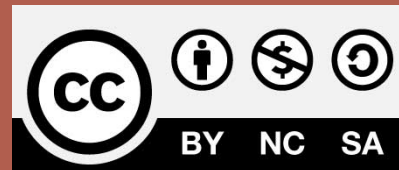
Africa and The African Diaspora:
Looking Within and Ahead.

A Continent and Its Peoples

Presentation by: Hollie Fitzhenry

Africa 1500 to Present - AFN 122

Fall 2021 - Prof. Remi Alapo



**KWAME
NKRUMAH**

NEO-COLONIALISM

**THE LAST
STAGE OF
IMPERIALISM**

What is Neocolonialism?

- "the deliberate and continued survival of the colonial system in independent African states, by turning these states into victims of political, mental, economic, social, military and technical forms of domination carried out through indirect and subtle means that did not include direct violence." (Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy)
- "The result of neocolonialism is that foreign capital is used for the exploitation rather than for the development of the less developed parts of the world. Investment under neocolonialism, increases, rather than decreases, the gap between the rich and the poor countries of the world. The struggle against colonialism is not aimed at excluding the capital of the developed world from operating in less developed countries. It is aimed at preventing the financial power of the developed countries being used in such a way as to impoverish the less developed." (Nkrumah, 1965)

Image found: <https://www.amazon.com/Neo-Colonialism-Imperialism-Kwame-Nkrumah-author/dp/090178723X>

How did neocolonialism emerge? Pt. 1

- Weakened position of European powers coming out of two World Wars - With coming out of 2 world wars and suffering big losses European colonial empires were weakened. With decolonization and anti-imperialism being central movements in the post-war era, colonial powers were losing their grip on their colonial empires. Leading colonialism to morph into neocolonialism.

How did neocolonialism emerge? Pt.2

- Rise of consciousness against imperialism - With the spread of political consciousness, imperial rule was challenged and led to independence and decolonization of African States

How did neocolonialism emerge? Pt. 3

- Continued needs of Developed States- Imperial forces still needed access to Africa's raw materials and goods in a post-colonial world. Through the exploitative process of indirect and subtle economic and political domination of former colonies through neocolonialism, imperial powers continue to have substantial influence.

How did neocolonialism emerge Pt.4

- Dependence of New States on Developed States - Because of how colonialism works, the New States found themselves reliant financially even in their independence from the imperial forces due to their purchase of raw materials and goods.



Image found: <https://medium.com/illumination/neocolonialism-how-western-corporations-are-exploiting-africa-d0e197af1950>

How did neocolonialism emerge? Pt. 5

- Neoliberalism- The adapting of neoliberal policies such as free trade, privatization, and lack of spending on health and education through forced structural adjustment many places in Africa suffer in their independence.

How did neocolonialism emerge? Pt.6

- Policies of the USSR and USA- Policies of the USSR and USA- By exploiting the economic needs of new States, these super powers provided foreign aid, loans, weapon supply, multinational corporations, economic institutions creating economic dependencies and satellites.

The Transference of Colonialism to Neocolonialism

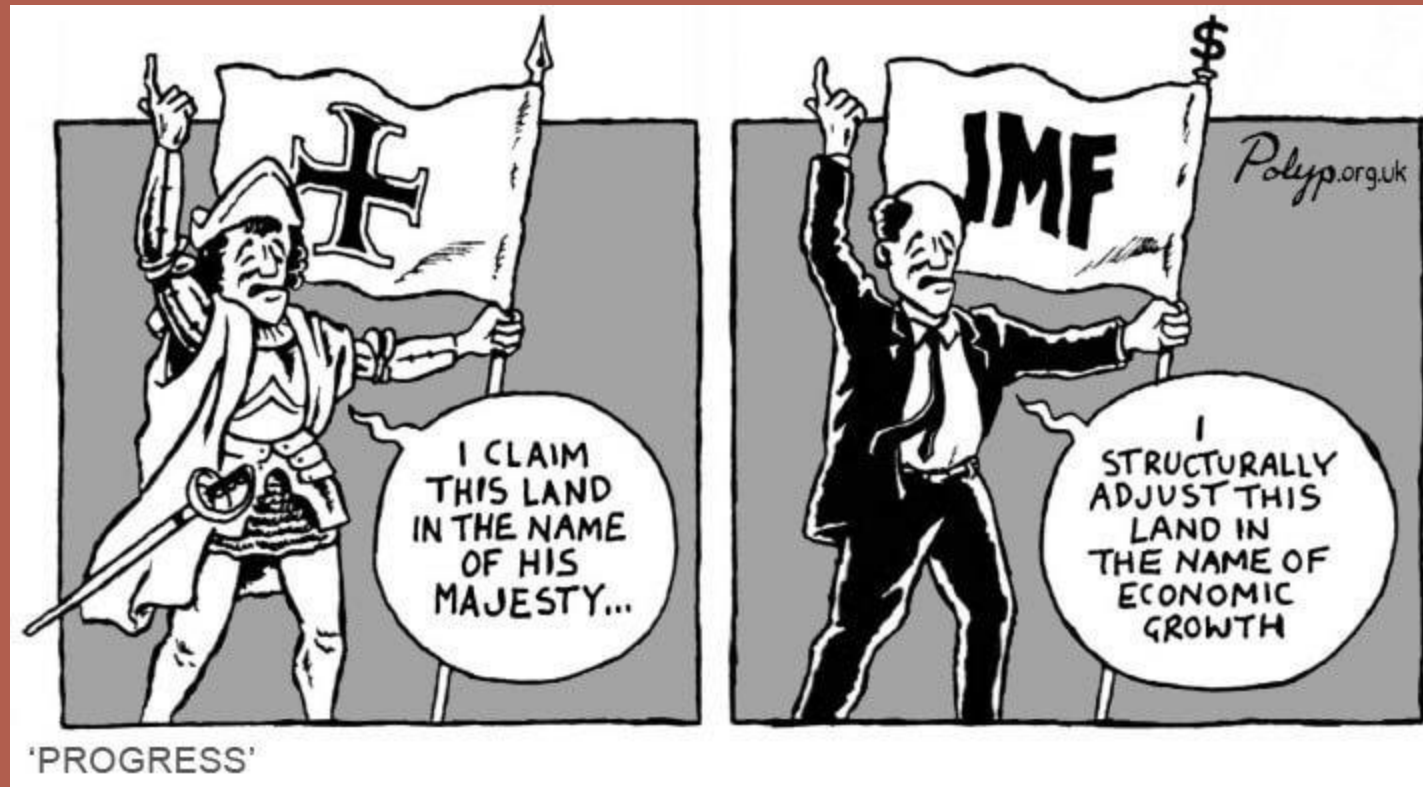


Image found: <https://www.statecraft.co.in/article/neo-colonialism-in-africa-in-the-context-of-sudan>

Solutions to Neoliberalism within Africa

- Africa has an immense number of natural resources which should allow it to become one of the richest continents in the world. With creating self-sustaining trade and a more self-sufficient governance, the continent could change its economic path.
- Through leaving behind the western-minded influences and returning to African cultural influences, there is an opportunity for growth and change.

Works Cited

- Dembele, D. M. (2005). THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND AND WORLD BANK IN AFRICA: A “DISASTROUS” RECORD. *International Journal of Health Services*, 35(2), 389-398. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/45138307>
- *From colonialism to neoliberalism*. Health Poverty Action. Retrieved December 8, 2021, from <https://www.healthpovertyaction.org/how-poverty-is-created/power-and-politics/neoliberalism/>.
- Fuh, R. S. (2019, November 16). *What is neo-colonialism? how it is manifested and what can be done?* LtEconomyBlog. Retrieved December 8, 2021, from <http://www.lteconomy.it/blog/2019/11/16/what-is-neo-colonialism-how-it-is-manifested-and-what-can-be-done/>.
- Langan, D. M., Editor, B., Posted In: Development | Featured | International Affairs, & says:, M. (2019, June 5). *Let's talk about neo-colonialism in Africa*: Africa at LSE. Retrieved December 8, 2021, from <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/africaatlse/2017/11/15/lets-talk-about-neo-colonialism-in-africa/>.
- *Top 6 reasons of emergence of neo-colonialism*. Your Article Library. Retrieved December 8, 2021, from <https://www.yourarticlelibrary.com/international-politics/top-6-reasons-of-emergence-of-neo-colonialism/48500>.
- Nkrumah, K. (1971). *Neocolonialism: The last stage of imperialism*. Panaf.