

NEOCOLONIALISM IN AFRICA AND THE AFRICAN DIASPORA

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Neocolonialism

Neocolonialism is an advancement of capitalism where capitalist nations dominate their subjects.

African nations have become profound elements of neocolonialism subjects to international powers.

Originally, it was a policy to sustain regulation of African nations.

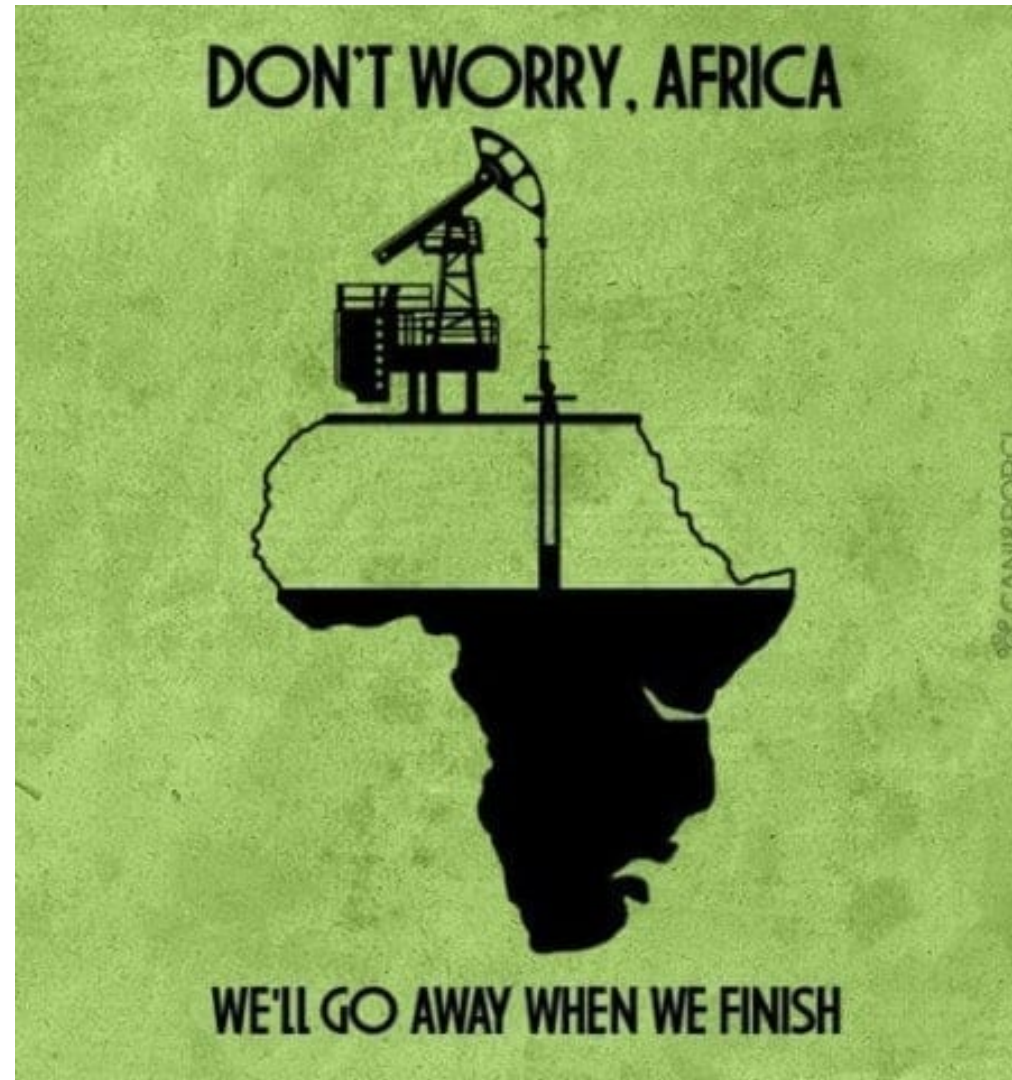
Usually, the concept is broadened by nations with direct means to Africa.

The United States is deemed to have the dominant power over Africa.

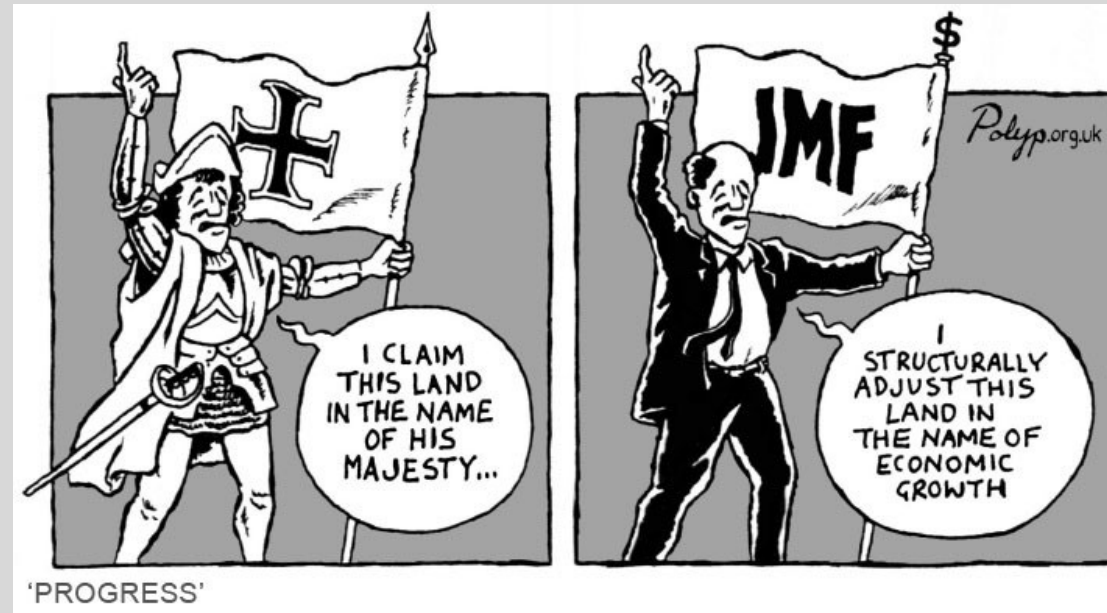


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- Today, neocolonialism is viewed as a scheme by colonial nations to block nations from growing.
- African nations are seen as a source of resources and cheap labor.
- The U.S. offered protection to African nations that drop communism.
- That would see the U.S. expand their influence.



How Neocolonialism Works



- First, Neocolonialism manifests through ousting of African leaders whose policies are contrary to their colonial masters.
- The dependency effect has converted more African nations to be slaves to first world countries.
- They depend on colonial masters for feeding, protection and financial support.
- IMF is employed by super nations to tame African leaders.

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Most Africans believe in superiority complex.

The understanding that western products are much superior.

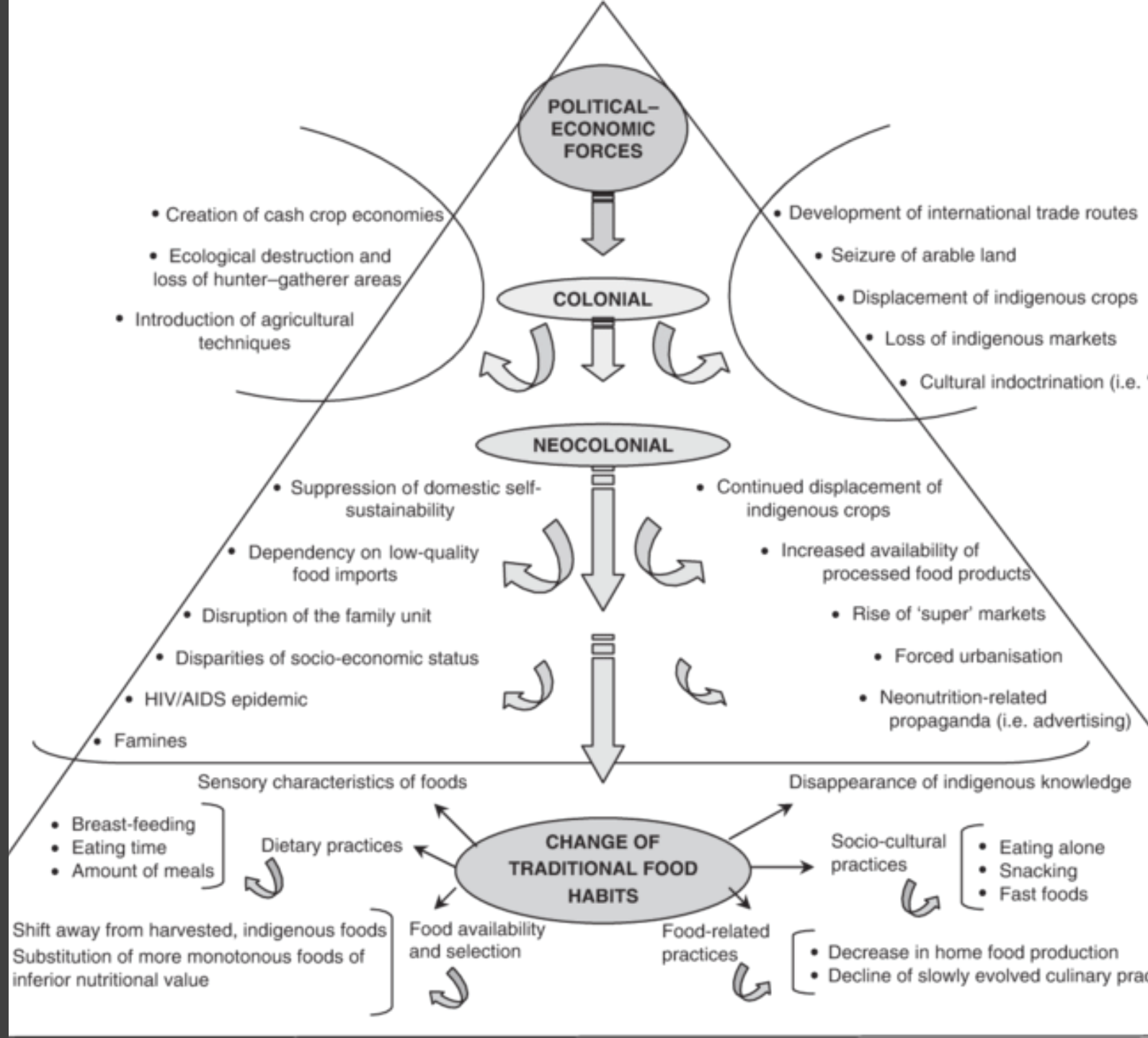
Also, the African cultures and ideas are inferior to Europeans.

Trade imbalance has also manifested neocolonialism.

African resources are sold to Western nations at low price.

The processed products are sold back to Africa at high prices.

FACTORS INFLUENCING NEOCOLONIALISM



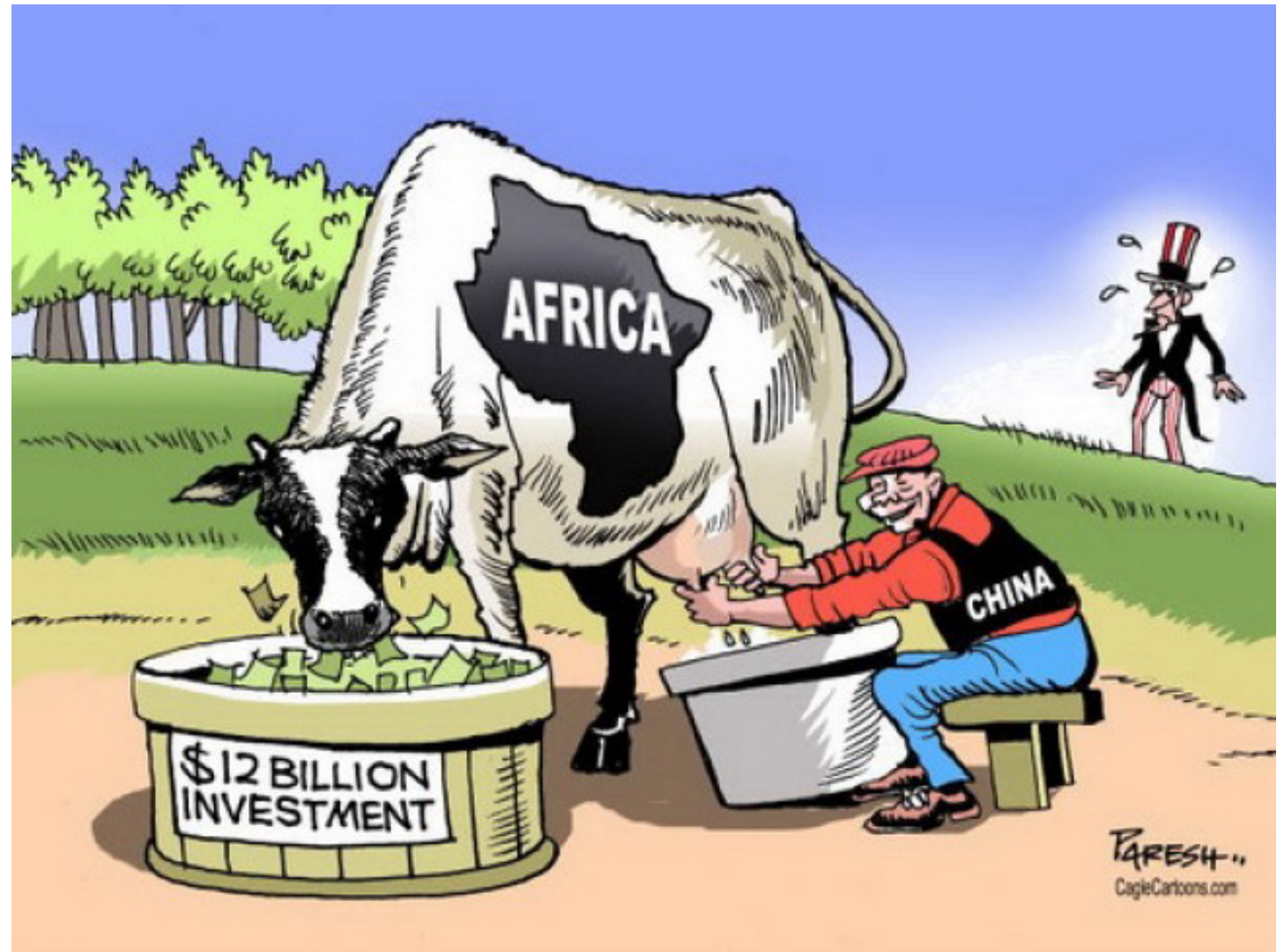


Impact of Neocolonialism

- Neocolonialism has affected Africa and African diaspora economically, socially and politically.
- Today, African nations are more destabilized politically.
- The natural resources are intensively exploited with low benefits.
- High influx rate of experts from Africa to U.S.
- High dependency for sustenance.

Issues Surrounding Neocolonialism

- In ruling out neocolonialism, various theoretical issues have always erupted.
- Kwame Nkrumah nailed that while many African nations have attained independence and acquired total regulation of their resources and affairs, they still further from indirect control from outside.
- Most African colonies are included in the European integration projects.
- African countries have managed to establish colonial treaties with Europeans that heighten their dependency.
- China has already established treaties that enslave Africans and those in Diaspora both on resources and management.





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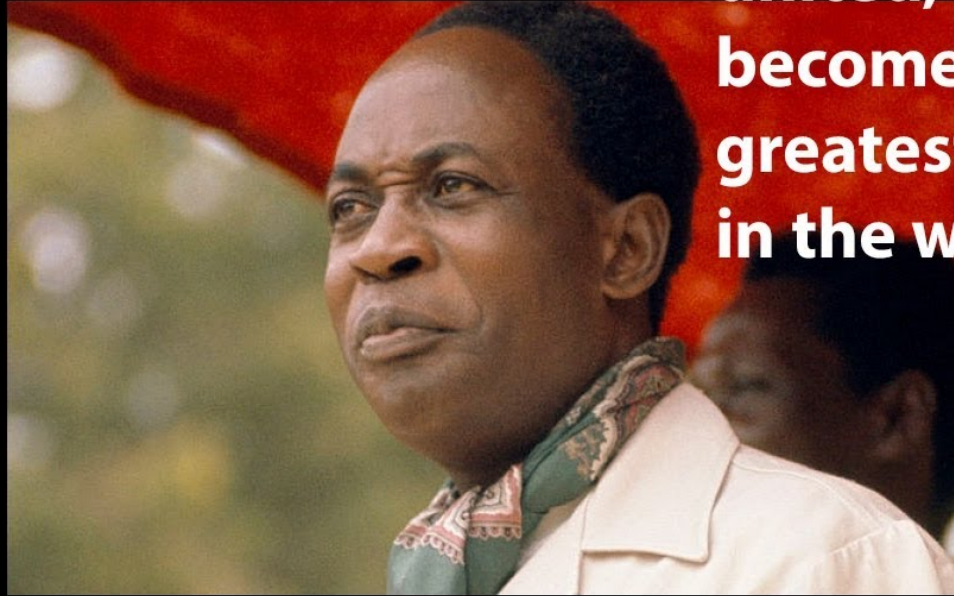
- As Africa advances, more foreign corporations and nations have come in to exploit their African counterparts even more.
- Through trade relationships established between ruling elites and foreign corporation are deemed to be neo-colonial aspects.
- Some have come in as Donors and Aid organizations with underlying intentions.



Response to Neocolonialism

- Betterment schemes are the modern policies for responding to neocolonialism.
- Nations are making internal policies that substantially favor their political, economic, and social stability.
- Championing for more balanced trade relationships.
- Enlightenment of African possibilities and how to exploit them.

**Divided we are weak;
united, Africa could
become one of the
greatest forces for good
in the world**



Conclusion

- While more nations stumble in their relationships with European countries.
- Formation of co-joint political parties could resolve their neocolonialism issues.
- In words of Kwame Nkrumah, Unity is a central element for fighting neocolonialism.

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