Claim No Easy Victories: The Legacy of Amilcar Cabral
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A unique collection of essays from engaged intellectuals and activists from across the African continent and internationally on the critical importance of Amilcar Cabral, marking the 40th anniversary of Cabral's assassination in 1973.

2013 marked the 40th anniversary of the assassination of Amilcar Cabral, revolutionary, poet, liberation philosopher, and leader of the independence movement of Guinea Bissau and Cape Verde. Cabral’s influence stretched well beyond the shores of West Africa. He had a profound influence on the pan-Africanist movement and the black liberation movement in the US. In this unique collection of essays contemporary thinkers from across Africa and internationally commemorate the anniversary of Cabral’s assassination. They reflect on the legacy of this extraordinary individual and his relevance to contemporary struggles for self-determination and emancipation. His well-known phrase “Claim no easy victories” resonates today no less than it did during his lifetime.

The volume comprises sections on Cabral’s legacy; reflections on the relevance of his ideas; Cabral and the emancipation of women; Cabral and the pan-Africanists; culture and education; and Cabral’s contribution to African American struggles. A selected bibliography provides an overview of Cabral’s writings and of writings about Cabral.

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