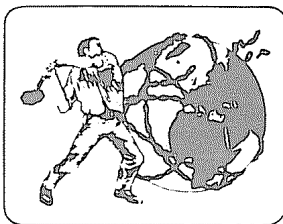


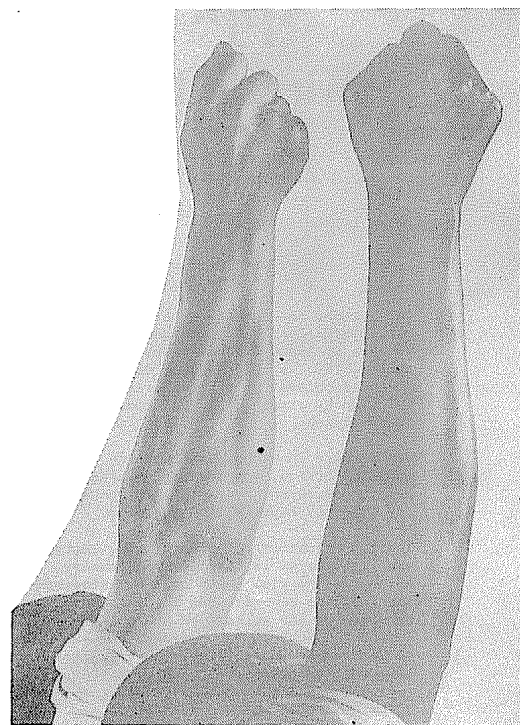
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SUPPORT THE ARMED STRUGGLE AGAINST RACISM AND IMPERIALISM IN SOUTH-AFRICA!

MAKING PEACE WITHOUT WEAPONS IN SOUTH-AFRICA ?

Everybody knows the slogan "Making Peace Without Weapons". The absurdity of this demand is actually shown in South-Africa. With the establishment of the martial law on July 21st 1985, the South-African racist-regime only legalized the State terror and carried it through on a larger scale. However all this has already been practised daily for one year now in order to oppress the spontaneous resistance movement of the Blacks, which has been expanding very rapidly. The Blacks are no longer willing to be treated like somebody of second class.

The increasing resistance of the Black masses cannot be stopped any longer :

- * illegal mass strikes of the workers in the mining- and automobile industry against hunger wages, racism in the factories, against corporal punishment and mass dismissals, as well as deportations in the so-called "Homelands"
- * strongest resistance against forcible re-settlements by the police, which ended in street-battles lasting several days
- * militant election boycott
- * powerful pupils' demonstrations against racist educational policy

These are only a few examples of the recent past. According to official statements, about 500 people were killed from September 1984 till July 1985. Political resistance-leaders estimate that at least 1 000 people were murdered by the police and the army already until October 1984 ! Uncountable is the number of injured persons, of the more than 10 000 arrested persons, the tortured people and all those who have been deported to the Homelands.

The hated regime couldn't succeed, however, in limiting the movement of the proletariat and the other masses in South-Africa which takes more and more strongly a political character and can no longer be put off with any treacherous reforms.

The activities of the spontaneous mass movement are more and more directed also against important supporters of the racist regime, like the black municipal councillors, who represent the hated regime in the black suburban colonies, the so-called "Townships".

But the racist regime also knows that in the long run it cannot keep down the majority and prevent the open uprising only by means of armed violence. It knows that it is also necessary to promise reforms and to create privileges for parts of the Black masses in order to split them. The Secretary of State, Botha, head of the regime, who is trying to apply the double tactic of carrots and sticks, declared at the 5th day of the state of emergency that he was ready for negotiations with all black population leaders - while he was intensifying the terror in the meantime - under the precondition that they should publicly refuse violence being used as a means in political conflicts !

Influential Blacks like bishop Tutu already offer themselves eagerly as negotiators to prevent a broad mass-uprising and to rescue the racist regime from being overthrown. Briefly after the declaration of the state of emergency he advised the government to set up a time-table for the abolition of the "apartheid" and he warned:

"The young people believe that the only way to change the system is the ARMED STRUGGLE. And if they have to die for that they will do. It is astonishing that the youth still accept the views of those who work for a peaceful end of the apartheid. However... the moment is not too far away,

when they will wave us away."
(from: Frankfurter Rundschau, July 23, 85)

The bishop has exactly conceived the fact that the decisive danger for the racist regime consists in the following : when the masses will realize that the violent struggle is the only path for smashing the hated state machine and when the propagandists and conciliators will be swept away together with their reformist slogans of a "peaceful path".

The situation in South-Africa dramatically shows that the pacifist slogan "Making Peace Without Weapons" only and solely serves the ruling classes.

o The fundamental lesson of Communism has been and is once again confirmed in o South-Africa, which is: there exists only one path for the overthrow of the o reactionary classes that is the armed o liberation struggle !

WITHOUT THE LEADERSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT AND ITS MARXIST-LENINIST PARTY THE REVOLUTION CANNOT BE ENSURED AND CARRIED ON

The revolution won't stand still when the system of racism and apartheid will be smashed. In order to make the exploited masses realize that the reason for racism and exploitation is not the white race but the capitalist order, an anti-racist agrarian-revolutionary and anti-imperialist stage of the revolution is necessary. That is why right from the beginning the propaganda for the dictatorship of the proletariat and the final aim of Communism has to be guaranteed.

Appeals to the Westgerman Imperialists

- Wire-Puller and Essential Supporter of the Racist Regime -

Are Appeals to the Executioners of the Peoples of South-Africa

The Siemens management, a part of Westgerman imperialism, have dismissed over 1 000 workers of the Siemens factory in South-Africa. This is their way of contributing to the suppression of the increasing revolutionary struggle of the population in South-Africa.

The workers in Westgermany and the workers in South-Africa, who are directly exploited and oppressed by Westgerman companies, are directly facing THE SAME ENEMY.

Their unification for overthrowing Westgerman imperialism is absolutely necessary also from the view-point of the Westgerman workers. The magnificent revolutionary struggle of the workers in South-Africa is a direct contribution towards the weakening of Westgerman imperialism, towards facilitating its overthrow in the proletarian revolution and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat in Westgermany.

This task should have been fulfilled for more than hundred years :

THE BLOODY TRACE OF GERMAN IMPERIALISM IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

The immense crimes of German imperialism in Southern Africa are still unpunished and up to now repressed out of the German Philistine's mind. The German colonial history began with deceitfully tricking areas of land, which, in 1884, had been taken under the "protection" of German gun-boats and occupation forces. Locally limited rebellions increased, until, in 1904, it came to the armed uprising of the Hereros and Namas all over the country.

The German "protection troops" finally defeated the Hereros in August 1904 with the help of their superior weapons, like cannons and machine-guns, in a merciless extermination campaign. They accomplished the genocide by driving the survivors in the Kalahari-desert and made them die with thirst. From the 80 000 Hereros only 15 000 survived.

ALSO TODAY : THE STRING OF THE BLOODY COLONIAL HISTORY OF THE GERMAN IMPERIALISM TOWARDS AFRICA IS NOT CUT OFF

Besides: South-Africa's important strategic position, as well as its rich deposits of raw material for the Westgerman imperialism, South-Africa was the most important outlet for Westgerman products in 1984 from all countries in Africa, Asia and Latinamerica. It yielded export incomes of about 6,6 billion DM ; 6 000 Westgerman companies could realize their profits. This means that the Westgerman imperialism - with a share in imports of 16 % - is the most important goods-supplier of South-Africa. (Figures from: Statistisches Bundesamt, Außenhandel 1984).

Moreover, the Westgerman imperialists have enormous investments in the Southafrican industry (about 6 billion DM). Together with the British and American imperialists they are one of the most important foreign investing forces.

Taking advantage of the good relationship dating from the time of Hitlerfascism, with whom the British nationalists and racists, who have been forming the government with their Party in South-Africa since 1948, had already worked together in former times, today nearly every big company of the German monopoly capital is working in South-Africa. All of them have been well-known at all times, which are : AEG, Siemens, Krupp, Thyssen, Deutsche Bank, Dresdner Bank, Commerzbank, Daimler Benz, VW and BMW. Not to forget the successors to IG-Farben, Höchst, Bayer and BASF.

Today, these trusts, charged with war-crimes and pulling behind a track of blood, are exploiting thousands of workers and employees in more than 400 factories and enterprises in the German name in South-Africa. Their huge turnovers are estimated to 10 billion DM a year. Their profits amount to a minimum yield of 15 %, that is 1,5 billion DM a year, which they suck out of the mainly black workers, whom they pay starvation wages. (Figures from "Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung", 13.6.85)

PROTECTION OF THE "GERMAN INTERESTS" IN TODAY'S SOUTH AFRICA AND NAMIBIA - GUARANTEED BY GERMAN MONEY AND GERMAN WEAPONS

The South-African racist regime is able to extend its police and military system mainly with the financial help of government stocks, which are managed by Westgerman bank trusts. The police and military are used to maintain the colonial regime in Namibia against the armed, fighting liberation movement, to maintain the racist regime in South-Africa against the uprising of the black masses.

In spite of the weapons' embargo of the UN against the racist regime and all dements of the German government regarding military collaboration and weapons' export via South Africa - no matter whether under Brand, Schmidt or Kohl - the MILITARY SUPPORT given by the Westgerman imperialists has been manifold, lasting many years and on a large scale in order to make sure their interests in South-Africa.

Recently the delivery of 5 military helicopters from MBB (Messerschmidt-Bölkow-Blohm) to the South-African police has been reported, which will directly be used to "combat riots" (Frankfurter Rundschau, 21.6.85).

This is the way how Westgerman imperialism equips the South-African racist regime with German weapons and German money to a fortress full of weapons, functioning as a iron-clad fist, in order to carry through its manifold economic, political and military interests in Southern Africa.

THE DOUBLE TACTIC OF WESTGERMAN IMPERIALISM

It is obvious, why the Westgerman imperia-

lists - or some of their politicians - now and then reject the apartheid and look for contacts to the liberation movement : The Westgerman imperialists know that it is in their own interest to have two strings to their bow. They want to make sure their spheres of influence in southern Africa and enlarge them even after the end of the "apartheid system".

Of course, for this purpose, the Westgerman bourgeoisie doesn't support really revolutionary liberation organisations; they only support such opposition movements which do not go beyond the framework acceptable for them, that is, which have to make sure their neocolonial expansion. Moreover, those opposition movements are harnessed for the purposes of the Westgerman financial capital (also the Russian imperialism is using this method with the help of the CP of South-Africa - which openly supports the socialimperialist aggression against the peoples of Afghanistan / see "Declaration of the CC of the SCP", January 1980 -; it tries to carry through its imperialist exploiter's interests in advance, in case the revolution is victorious).

o This is the diabolic double-tactic of o the Westgerman imperialists, both of o which are directed against the revolutionary liberation struggle of the o subjugated peoples in southern Africa, o as well as everywhere in the world.

INSTEAD OF PHRASES AND APPEALS TO THE EXECUTIONERS : WEAPONS FOR THE BLACK LIBERATION FIGHTERS !

Opportunists and babblers of all sorts again agree with appeals to the Westgerman government to impose sanctions against South-Africa. This is their grandiose "solidarity", a "solidarity" which rescues for their own imperialists what can still be rescued.

It is obvious that the Southafrican fascists are much more afraid - compared to those appeals - of such Dutch antiimperialists who have been chased in the last weeks, because they have realized internationalism not in words but in deeds and have taken weapons to South-Africa in order to support the revolution.

In Westgermany, the Marxist-Leninists must propagate the powerful struggles of the oppressed masses in southern Africa as a heavy blow against the imperialist exploiter's interests of Westgerman imperialism. They must propagate them as a big help for their own fight for the socialist revolution in Westgermany, that is for overthrowing the Westgerman bourgeoisie violently by using weapons and smashing their state machine. Without the work for supporting the revolutionary struggle of the oppressed masses of those countries which are exploited and subjugated from the 'own' imperialism, one cannot think of really preparing the proletarian revolution in Westgermany !

- The Party "... which in words is the enemy of imperialism, but in reality doesn't wage a revolutionary fight in 'its' colonies for overthrowing 'its' bourgeoisie, which doesn't support systematically the revolutionary work which has already begun everywhere in the colonies, which takes neither weapons nor writings to the revolutionary parties in the colonies, such a party is one of scoundrels and traitors."
- (Lenin, "The Tasks of the IIIrd International", 1919, translated from German edition: Vol.29,p.497).

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