

why the delegate said " attempts to use the bosses against the government's labour bill proved such a failure ". The Ccawusa member recalled Jay Naidoo's report which called for creating divisions amongst the ruling class but took issue with the view that these divisions can be created through alliances. It will be by largely increasing the struggle against apartheid-capitalism that real divisions amongst the ruling classes will appear. The delegate rounded off by calling for alliances with all those who are anti-capitalists and who are not part of government structures. He felt that the convening of such coalition should be none-secretarian, along the lines of the workers summit.

NUM resolution on the Anti-Apartheid Conference.

Therefore resolves:

1. To reconvene the AAC by not later than October this year;

2. That such a Conference draw in all forces that are opposed to apartheid.

3. To develop a unifying perspective around the demands for:

3.1 one person one vote in a democratic and unitary South Africa free from racism;

3.2 the unbanning of the ANC and all other banned organisations.

3.3 an end to the State of Emergency and all other forms of repression.

3.4 freedom of press, political association and other

political expression.

4. While COSATU and the UDF are to play a leading role in such a coalition we must draw in and involve from the beginning all major forces.

5. To this extent, we should establish a convening committee representing the major social forces who shall immediately start making plans for the process leading to the Anti-Apartheid Conference and after.

6. That all organisations in such a AAC shall retain their own autonomy and decision making structures but be united by the perspective

arising out of the Conference.

SCHOOLS - ACTION AGAINST THE ELECTIONS

A week before the September 6th General elections, a meeting was held where representatives from schools in the Johannesburg area decided on a one week protest action against the elections.

On Monday 4th high school students staged a placard demonstration along Maraisburg road in Bosmont, calling for a no vote. This action was repeated along Main Road, Eldorado Park.

Two teachers and a number of students were arrested. In both Bosmont and Eldorado Park, police used tear-smoke to disperse the demontrators. All the students were released on the same day, and the teachers were released on Friday the 8th. In Lenasia demonstrations went ahead

with minimal police intervention.

This action by thousands of students is a clear indication that they are once again consolidating and organising themselves after State repression took its toll on student's structures over the pass few years. It is only consistent follow-up by activists in the schools that will ensure that the basic awareness achieved through the anti-election actions is tranformed into solid gains. This show of unity by students is an important foundation on which to build stronger SRC and solid Parent-Teachers-Student associations. Students must also continue to link struggles nationally, as is the case with the Upington Support Committee (UPSCO). Once again, it is vital to stress that students must support, in a disciplined way, working class struggles and campaigns. This can be done in a number of ways. Immediatly, what comes to mind, is strengthening support committees which assist striking workers.