The declaration of the state of emergency has is the more formalization of what already obtains. Singly, it is the greatest admission of failure by the state — an acknowl-segument that this apartheid government has not no legitionary.

It is clear that this declaration is intended to provide the state with powers which it listes could cripple the vof — the spate of assests thus for is self-circline. It is also clear that the shock of exposing the strotities of potice by the independent Commission of Enquiry has forced the state to into this declaration of emergency.

What all South Spicano however should be clear of is that over the past face months, genuine economic grievances have made way for directly political domand and anger has made way for bitlemess, the fracting of this fulled by increasing repulsion. Given his — at we are sure that more repression is not going to change the most of our town with the ple, it will not win one ista of consent or

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STATEMENT ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO THE DECLARATION OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY

This declaration is merely a formalisation of what has already obtained in so many parts of the country. It is an expression of fear fear that the atrocities of the police and SADF would be exposed by an independent commission of Enquiry. More than this however, it is an acknowledgement of failure, an acknowledgement that this government rules without legitimacy.

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We in the UDF understand full well that the state of emergency is intended to cripple us. But, the will of the people cannot be beaten into submission. Wexhamexseenxsmerxthexpaskxfemxdaysxthat

In the face of imminent detention, we are forced to continue to speak the truth. All South Africans must know that the prevailing situation is the product of repression. Genuine economic grievances have rapidly been transformed into legitimate political demands, anger has made way for bitterness, fuelled by detentions, trials and the SADF in our townships. The shrtsightedness of this government is thus further exposed... if the situation in which our town ships have become ungovernable is the product of repression, how can more repression change this?

This declaration choses the options for peaceful change. We must call to mind that the armed struggle was decided as an option in the wake of the previous declaration of emergency. Today we are forced to ask the all-important question, Is P W Botha, by unleashing more guns on the people, saying that change in this country will only come by the barrel of a gun??

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