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ARISE! VUKANI

ARISE! YOU PRISONERS OF STARVATION
ARISE! YOU WRETCHED OF THE EARTH
FOR JUSTICE THUNDERS CONDEMNATION
A BETTER WORLD IN BIRTH
NO MORE TRADITION'S CHAINS SHALL BIND US
ARISE! YOU SLAVES NO MORE IN THIRALL
THE EARTH WILL RISE ON NEW FOUNDATIONS
WE HAVE BEEN NAUGHT
WE SHALL BE ALL!

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'YANKEE GO HOME!'

(Excerpts from the poem "VO NGUYEN GIAP- a tribute to Vietnam" by Mafika Pascal Gwala)

Vo Nguyen, I think I heard you say,
with Fidel and Che: 'Cuba si, Yanqui non!'
You led the people of the Third World
through the trenches of Dien Bien Phu
You showed the paths
 leading to the Sierra Maestra
You hoisted the revolutionary heritage
of the long March
You reminded us, Chu Teh lives
You reminded us, Che lives
You demonstrated how Contradictions
are handled in a People's struggle
You fused courage
 into the fighting sons of Guinea-Bissau
You said Go! to the sons and daughters
of Mozambique
You taught the children of America:
 Lies cannot buy the Truth.
And you, you sons of the United States of America,
What more brave did you seek
in the marshes and the mountainsides of Indochina?
What machismo did you find
when facing the Women's Liberation Corps of the NLF?

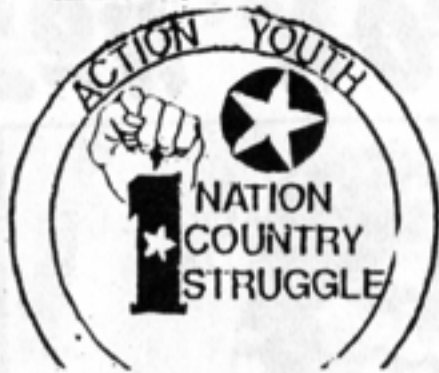
What oomph did you steal out of defiling
the innocent, impoverished bodies of the daughters
of Vietnam...in your Saigon brothels?
Yankee, the world will be more than happy
to see you go home.
Go home, Yankee.
Yankee, go home.
Go home to your hotdogs and hamburgers
Go home to your TV slops
Go home to Walt Disney and Mickey Mouse
Go home to the plastic syphilization
of your town and countryside (Continued on back cover.)



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- anti - sexism
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POETRY

SOMEDAY BROTHER

Someday the Revolution will liberate you and I
You from your Aryan thoughts and deeds
Me from your Exploitation

Yes, my white brother,
One day your hands will be toughened
and your back browned,
As we toil together
Under the beautiful Azanian sun

(High school student - Bosmont)

THE FOWL RUN

The chickens are at it again
Scratching and pecking each other
Trying to see who can crow the loudest
And the cock with the biggest following is the proudest

They are all fighting for that favourite place in the sun
Safely esconced in their fowl run
While the boer looks on contentedly
At his chickens' ceaseless activity
Fighting back his laughter
As he fattens them for the slaughter. (Student-Fordsburg)

IF

If freedom can't come to me
i will go to it
If my blood is the price
i'm ready to pay
If my country is dirty
i will cleanse it free
If my voice is very low
my pangá shall do it for me
If they say no
pandemonium shall reign
If....

(Worker - Soweto)

(continuation from front cover)

Go home to the boredomed U.S.
-where Malcolm X is true prophet
Go home to the All Mightiness U.S.
-where the soul of George Jackson is yet to breed
the new man

Sing to Vo Nguyen Giap:
Giap who humbled Mcnamara's bombs
Giap who challenged napalm
Giap who caused Senator Fullbright to shout out
the truths of murder to the U.S. congress
Giap, you bolstered the world's Liberation Fronts
You gave weak knees to Kennedy's Special Forces

I choose to concede: I may be bound hand and foot
under the southern sun; but my spirit is liberated
-like the sun of Saigon.
Those who taught me one and one makes three have
failed
My one and one is two.
I know my Black heroes: Lumumba, Franz Fanon,
Amilcal Cabral.

The future is NOW.
Until there will be no more master and slave
in the four corners of the earth.
And you Vo Nguyen, you make me hope

This way I am able to shout: Victory!
Long live the People's Revolution.



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LETTERS?

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