

# STRAIGHT TALK...

## *Defend Fascism...*

The Rabie Commission recommendations on security legislation have been accepted in principle according to the South African media. Of course everybody who knows the psychology of boer fascism would not have expected anything short of acceptance. The recommendations are in themselves a reinforcement of Pretoria's satanic legislature arsenal ever being piled in the hope of stemming the tide of revolutionary ferment in South Africa. It is quite ludicrous how the big brass of Afrikanerdom see this as a panacea.

It is no coincidence that Botha's cousins in Washington are at the moment staging the most slanderous of shows the world has had to be poisoned with for some time. The toxic show has been pronounced the "U.S. Senate Hearings" and it stars Chester Crocker and a host of other shameless chameleons including incredible fabricators, so-called ex-members of the liberation movement. Here the liberatory forces are labelled 'terrorists', 'Communist agitators', 'Soviet surrogates' and so forth. What a revolting vocabulary the imperialist howlers and their stool-pigeons have! Such campaigns of slander against the liberatory movement are not new. But what is strikingly evident in the timing and scope of the present one is that it is a rushed effort at polishing the faces of the real criminals in an attempt to regain lost ground at a time when the revolutionary forces in South Africa and Namibia are making giant strides, at a time when the oppressive forces inside our country are gripped by liver-splitting fear of an imminent popular upsurge.

American 'strategic interests' in Southern Africa have hurried the Reagan Administration to the defence of fascist reaction and therefore to be active in the national strangulation of our peoples. This is in fact the real motive behind the 'Senate Hearings' - they should have called them *Defend Fascism Hearings* - and their relation to the Rabie report in South Africa.

No doubt the US Senate barkings will resound for some time - particularly since they are managed by a seasoned cowboy in the person of Reagan. The Rabie recommendations will also

be implemented with haste because the boer-fascists fear the heights to which the Year of Unity in Action might elevate our struggle. In this connection the feverish doings of Pretoria, abetted by Washington are to be seen as an illusionary counter-strategy to the ANC's 1982 campaign at home and abroad.

The enemy anxiously works to defeat Unity in Action by attempting to split the ranks of the oppressed into pro-communist and anti-communist forces - a futile campaign since it is not new and has only yielded unmendable fissures within the boer top-brass in the past. Pretoria has a 'short memory! Since their enactment of the 'Suppression of Communism Act' of 1950 they have sought justification of their draconian act by dangling the anti-communist bogey without let-up. So, we are not surprised by the current fervour - after all we shall, as we have always done, know the vile schemes behind every new wave of enemy lamentation.

Our ranks will remain compact. We shall never be divided by slanders and distortions, no matter how concerted the campaign might be. The world revolutionary movement, comprising of the Socialist Community, the Working Class in the capitalist world and the Liberation Movement will continue to dog imperialism and reaction everywhere in the world. Our strength and support will continue to grow as we escalate our offensive and no force on earth can ever bog us down. We are at the hub of a just struggle for a better future for mankind.

**FORWARD TO VICTORY OVER REACTION!**

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stone has set us a precedent. Let us, combining our industrial actions with other community struggles raise our struggle to majestic heights by marching into the battlefield immediately ahead of us with the motto of SACTU: "AN INJURY TO ONE IS AN INJURY TO ALL" as our battle-cry.

To unite and co-ordinate our actions the establishment of a single Trade Union Front for all progressive trade unions is vital. The Langa conference on Trade Union unity could not have been more timely. Let us in that spirit throw in all effort towards the revitalisation of our tested trade union vanguard, the South African Congress of Trade Unions. This is a task of utmost urgency for all the patriotic forces of our land.