

Success in fulfilling all the crucial tasks which confront us today demands that we display the greatest courage, skill and initiative - always aware that as we advance the enemy's counter-offensive intensifies correspondingly and that we must therefore be able to frustrate the enemy and advance even further. Above all we must always be guided and inspired by our revolutionary understanding that, as our "Strategy and Tactics" states: "The winning of our freedom by armed struggle - the only method left open

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## **LET US ORGANISE**

OUR TASK TO THE WORKING PEOPLE

- PART THREE

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In our time only a mass movement that is accompanied by a people's army shall destroy the Apartheid forces, only an organisation that will organise a revolutionary army of the whole people shall lead the new revolutionary state of people's democracy in South Africa. This building of a powerful revolutionary army, composed of the working masses, whose strength should logically correspond to its historic task, is another urgent historic demand.

Often people who have no knowledge at all of what a social revolution in modern times really means and requires, gloss over the practical importance of this question of military organisation and people's participation in the armed struggle. But the more such people fail to see this need, the more they tend to see 'militarism' lurking whenever mention is made of the need for military organisation of our working people, the more we are mystifying the practical requirements of our liberation.

Our working people, daily massacred or tortured to death by the fascists, have developed a serious conviction over this question of revolutionary and organised mass violence, they have learned lessons from the fascist experience and they now advance the slogan: "Freedom or Death", which has reverberated throughout South Africa in the heroic combat assaults of Umkhonto we Sizwe.

to us - (understood correctly as a continuation of the political struggle by means which include the use of force - AA) demands more than passion. It demands an understanding and an implementation of revolutionary theory and techniques in the actual conditions facing us. It demands a sober assessment of the obstacles in our way and an appreciation that such a struggle is bitter and protracted. It demands, too, the domination in our thinking of achievement over drama, and that victory is certain.

## S' VIEWPOINT

*"Only an armed people can be the real bulwark of popular liberty,"* wrote Lenin in "The Beginning of the Revolution in Russia". Our working people are no longer going to die unarmed. And the sooner Umkhonto we Sizwe succeeds to involve the people inside South Africa in Combat, the sooner it succeeds in arming the revolutionary combat units among the masses, the sooner will the racist soldiers throw down their weapons, and the black members of the South African Death Force (SADF) will at last begin to realise that what they are doing is inglorious and they will join sides with the people against the racist murderers of defenceless working people.

Revolutionary committees, to direct the conduct of armed actions right within the country, must be set up at every factory, community or rural village. It is for Combat that the masses are organised, and conversely it is combat that organises them further, once said Le Duan. This then is another practical basis on which South African revolutionaries can and must unite to strike the common blow.

The workers of the whole world, in Socialist and Capitalist countries alike, are now looking eagerly towards the South African revolution, crossing their fingers that the racists and their imperialist allies will not win; the whole African continent now realises that the victory of the South African people will be the turning point in the history of Africa. Let us, therefore, bear in mind that we owe it to humanity as a whole and to our African compatriots equally, to develop a revolutionary striking force from the millions of our people, which will guarantee the certainty of our victory. But without the involvement of the masses in armed struggle, we remain a minority force fighting a majority SADF supported by the racist section of the white population.



Political events in the past few years indicate irrefutably that an uprising of the historical magnitude of the 1976 Soweto one is gradually maturing in South Africa. The significance of these events is the importance of the organising tasks facing our vanguard alliance (ANC-SACP) for meeting the impending battles heroically and victoriously.

When the inevitable political upheavals come again, let them find us prepared for them, prepared with nuclei of a revolutionary army among our people. No military reprisals can diminish the importance of this task. And only by understanding this task clearly, and only by posing it boldly and persistently, can the units of the revolutionary army develop among the working people in order to win complete political victory over the racists and become strong points of a revolutionary government. Writing in "The Revolutionary Army and the Revolutionary Government", Lenin remarked:

*"The revolutionary army is needed for military struggle and for military leadership of the masses against the remnants of the military forces of the autocracy. The revolutionary army is needed because great historical issues can be resolved only by force, and, in modern struggle, the organisation of forces means military organisation."*

South Africa is pregnant with revolution, national in form but social in content, and what political sex the child will be, will be determined not at the stage when such child will be born, but right now at the stage of embryonic formation. Let us therefore organise for a victorious revolution that shall not be stopped on its way but that shall continue uninterrupted to complete change.

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# **Bantustans - a repressive tool of Pretoria**

The mistake that is always committed by the exploiter capitalist class is that of ignoring the lessons of history and the laws of social development. The recent history has long proved that the system of capitalist ex-