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The racist South African regime recently completed the signing of the Inkomati Accord with Mozambique. This diplomatic offensive got many members of our organisation the ANC pushed out of Mozambique. The behind-the-scenes speace pacts signed between Pretoria and Swaziland also had its own special impact resulting to the rounding up of ANC members, clashes and shootings, raids and beatings, deportations, detentions and torture affecting even those members who were granted political asylum twenty years ago.

Using its economic muscle and the LLA bandit group to destabilise Lesotho. Pretoria seeks to squeeze the young kingdom to concede to its machinations and conclude a security pacts. This move is aimed at reducing the ANC's presence in that country. Botswana has since been reluctant to swelcomes the racists'

»peace initiatives.» Angola, the first to sign an accord with Pretoria publicly in Lusaka, gave its assurance to this undertaking with one thing in mind: the withdrawal of the racist troops from its soil. It made it clear from the start that Pretoria was the aggressor and it would not sacrifice SWAPO's presence in Angola.

The unconditional pull-out date was set as from the 31st January and was to

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wild this year alone, 'tuet of the rape. take one month. But since then the racists have over-stepped the d-day for withdrawal.. The racists' delay is calculated to exert more pressure on the Angolans and make them succumb to more demands from Pretoria, namely to sign an accord similar to Inkomati and to order the Cubans to pack their bags and go back home. The racists still stubbornly ding to the linkage

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ndence inspite of the agreements in the accord. If still continues to support the bandit UNITA group morally and logistically in order to destabilize Angola. "As regards Namibia's independence, the apartheid regime understands clearly that once United Nations Resolution 435 is implemented, and free and fair UN supervised elections held, SWAPO will clinch a sweeping victory at the polls to automatically become illegible to form a popular government. That is what they are vehemently opposed to. They would rather evade implementation of the Resolution 435 and bring the socalled adirect dialogues or aconstructive engagements into the picture. The racists hope to prick enough holes in the Namibian independence package through which they can safely infiltrate their puppets from the multi-party conference to represent their interests in an independ ent Namibia.

Coming back to the poverty and drought-stricken Mozambique, we understand why Samora Machel signed the accord. Reeling from Pretoria's aggression and from the atrocities of SADF's appendage the MNR, Mozambique surrendered in order to survive and sealed the fanfare by giving a warm handshake to the arrogant wolf. But, as comrade President O.R. Tambo, the commander -in-chief of Umkhonto we Sizwe said, we are not sure that in their position we would have gone quite as far as Mozambique has done. The Inkomati now completed earned Maputo 600tons of apples sent as a gift from the racists in reciprocation of sgood neighbourliness.» Othersplausibles prospects for



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talist circles to »boost-up» that country's economy. However, Botha later warned that he was not going to be Father Xmas.

- Racist South Africa is sure to boast that the unleashing of her military arsenal on her neighbours put the economic infra-structures, of the frontline states in shambles and produced the desired effect of destabilisation. Its follow-up with a diplomatic offensive added yet another feather on its cap, forcing Maputo to reduce the presence of the ANC to a ten-man diplomatic mission.

#### AGGRESSION

As from 1975 Pretoria has conducted acts of aggression into Angola such as operation Protea and Askari which cost the racists more than 2 million rand a day. These were launched with the excuse of pre-empting a SWAPO offensive and wiping out its bases. Bombing of economic installations, towns, hospitals, schools, and raping and murdering women and children formed part of the overall campaign of economic and social dislocation.

Justifying these grisly atrocities the racist minister of defence Magnus Malan, reading out a White Paper on Defence and Armaments Supply for 1984 in parliament proudly stated that, »Forceful military action by the South African security forces during the last decade or more has provided sufficient time to allow Africa to experience the dangers of Russian involvement in their countries, as well as the suffering and retrogression that follows upon the revolutionary formula.» He went further, »By taking firm action and developing a strong military potential, the SADF had created a successful stratergy of deterrence.»

### MILITARY BUDGET

This is the racist side of the coin. The SADF did not come out of the battle field unscathed as Malan may want us to

Maputo are investments from the capi- believe. The racist army is bleeding from the wounds of its own making aggression. It suffered and still continues to suffer casualties in personnel, equipment and had and still has to sustain a huge military spending Racist South Africa's military budget has soared from 255 million rand to over 3,000 million rand this year alone. Much of the expenditure is devoted to establishing a vast military-industrial complex for the manufacture of arms and related equipment with extensive western assistance.

> Inside Namibia support for SWAPO continues to grow. Various experiments to impose their puppets on the masses in Namibia have failed dismally. The DTA died a natural death and it will soon be followed by the Multi-Party Conference.

> In South Africa the Botha/Malan clique can fool no one. Landlessness, mounting unemployment, the laws and influx control, diseases, detentions, and long prison terms, brutal exploitation and votelessness, lack of freedom of speech and deaths in detention remain the lot of the oppressed majority in apartheid South Africa. External developments cannot stop the oppressed majority from continuing with the struggle for liberation. Peace agreements and security pacts will not leave apartheid rule unchallenged or stop the conflict that is raging inside country. The masquerading of our Botha as an angel with his sinister schemes will be outweighed by the determined people's march to freedom.

#### UMKHONTO WE SIZWE

Our military capacity is increasing as units of Umkhonto weSizwe continue delivering devastating blows against the enemy. Botha is a desparate man and the ANC is giving him sleepless nights. His total strategy is solely aimed at rubbing the ANC off history. But the ANC is a creation of the people of South Africa who suffer under the

brutal system of apartheid discrimioppressed masses and its message is spreading like wildfire through the length and breadth of our country. GREATER HEIGHTS

Our struggle for liberation is escalating. Political resistance and mobilisation keep mounting to greater heights." Numerous 'community' organisations are daily emerging to oppose high rents, the fast rising cost of essential commodities, and the GST. The workers are uniting under various trade union organisations in demand of decent wages and better working conditions.

The fight against the system's forced mass removals rages everyday. Students in Atteridgeville and Cradock are up in arms against the system of bantu education and since the schools have been closed. The masses of our country are vigorously challenging all the dummy institutions like the President's Cou-Community ncil and the bills and the Koornhof homeland system. UDF's The campaign to unite the masses ever gains momentum. All these struggles are a living testimony people's liberation drive. to the

Indeed, we must reject and challenge all the racist ploys and respond to the call made by the National

Executive Committee of our vanguard the nation. It is deeply rooted among the ANC, "Our principal task at this moment therefore is, and must be, to intensify our political and military offensive inside South Africa. This is the urgent call that we make to the masses of our people, to democratic formations and all all members, and units of the ANC and umkhonto weSizwe."

> Apartheid can only be demolished by our concerted efforts. We shall not be fooled by Inkomatis and constitutional reforms for they contain nothing for the improvement of our station. All they do is to tighten the srews of the system. Dr Allan Boesak, patron of the UDF clearly stated that, »We will not give up the struggle for freedom, democracy and justice, no matter how many pacts are signed. The final deal must be made with us."

Dr. Allan Boesak hit the nail on the head and, the final deal must be made on the terms laid down by the oppresmajority in their document, the sed Freedom Charter. What peace is the racist government talking about when it has set aside 3,755 million rands to spend on bombs and bullets while we die of poverty? We have suffered too long at the hands of the racists. Ours is not to submit, but to fight on until final victory. Victory or death! We shall win! Amandla!

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