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STATEMENT ON LE GRANGE'S BILL

As the government <sup>in</sup> loses control <sup>daily</sup> by the day, its attempts to retain power become increasingly desperate. <sup>State now wants to</sup> The unprecedented state terror <sup>terror</sup> which our people experienced since July 21st last year is now to be institutionalised in the statute books as a permanent feature of Apartheid rule.

The proposed changes to the Public Safety Act give the Minister of Law and Order, Louis Le Grange, total powers to unleash these forces of terror when and where he deems necessary. It gives him the power to cordon off our townships from the outside world and deploy all these methods which he thinks necessary to cow our people into submission. The last 9 months have shown exactly what these "methods" are including the use of fascist vigilantes, the S.A.D.F. <sup>occupational forces</sup> curfews, mass detentions, attacks on <sup>and</sup> our leaders <sup>and</sup> <sup>land murder of</sup> ~~so on.~~ by "unknown" assailants

The government is determined to pass the Public Safety Amendment Bill before June 16 through the Presidents Council, no matter how embarrassing this may be. The regime doesn't want the political & economic consequences of a formal state of emergency. At the same time, Le Grange's Bill is far more serious than the declaration of a state of emergency last year for a limited time and limited areas. Le Grange's Bill is tantamount to a permanent State of Emergency which applies to any area which opposes the regime at any point.

The threat of unrest, let alone actual unrest, is enough for Le Grange to justify using these powers. Le Grange's Bill will entrench the concentration of powers ~~in the~~ in the hands of the SAP and in particular the SADF. As such, it brings South Africa one step closer to martial law.

This measure is no solution to South Africa's problems. It can only intensify the war raging in our country at the moment. <sup>This is</sup> ~~A~~ <sup>a</sup> war between the forces of progress and democracy, and the forces of reaction and barbarism. We call on all freedom and peace loving people in South Africa and throughout the world to put a stop to this Bill before it is too late. Let everyone adopt the slogan **STOP LE GRANGE'S LAW; NO TO A PERMANENT EMERGENCY!** and back this ~~with~~ <sup>No thing will stop the</sup> ~~with~~ <sup>with</sup> united action.

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*The whole point is that they want to put things under the law - will have to do it through P.C.D.*

~~Stop Le Grange's Law! No to a Permanent Emergency!~~

As the system of Apartheid becomes more unworkable, so the attempts of the state to retain it become more brutal. The unprecedented degree of state terror which our people have experienced since the declaration of the state of emergency is now to be institutionalised in the statute books. ~~for this government has its~~ as a permanent feature of apartheid rule.

*at least have hands of military men to go*

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*the Public Safety Amendment Bill before June 16, regardless. It will over ride over its own dummy amendments, by pushing this Bill through the President's Council, no matter how the emergency may be.*

It has come to our attention that the government <sup>is determined to</sup> ~~intends~~ <sup>plans to</sup> passing passage the Public Safety Amendment Bill before June 16, regardless. It will over ride over its own dummy

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