SUPPORT AFRIKAN LIBERATION DAY !!

Afrikan Liberation Day is an important time to focus on the liberation of Afrika from imperialism, colonialism, hegemonism, white racism and Zionism. And this year's theme put forward by the Afrikan Liberation Support Committee is: "Superpowers Out of Afrika!", "Freedom for the People of Azania, Namibia, Zimbabwe, and Angola!" It is the superpowers, U.S. Imperialism and Soviet Social Imperialism, who represent the main obstruction to the independence, liberation and struggle for the revolution of the people of Afrika. All over the world today, with U.S. imperialism on the decline throughout the world and the Soviet Social imperialists on the rise, Soviet revisionists have been peddling their jive "socialism in words, and imperialism in deeds" on the national liberation movements of the 3rd world and the rest of the world's peoples.

World Situation: Trends of Revolution and War sharpening

The two sharpest trends in the world today are revolution and war. That is on the one hand we can clearly see the rising tide of revolution in Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Guinea-Bissau, and Mozambique where U.S. imperialism is getting its behind kicked out of Afrika, Asia, and Latin America. And on the other hand the contradictions between the imperialist themselves, the two Superpowers especially, is sharpening to the point of the third imperialist world war. As our Chinese comrades say, "The danger of a world war and revolution are two aspects of an entity—the world situation... The world is changing in a direction increasingly favourable to the people of all countries. This is one aspect, a principle aspect. But we must also see the other aspect—the aggressive nature of imperialism will not change... The danger of a new world war still exists. This is another trend in the development of today's world. It is dangerous if we see only the raging flames of the revolution without noticing the enemies sharpening their swords and think we can lower our vigilance because of the excellent situation."

ARMED STRUGGLE IN SOUTHERN AFRIKA

Armed struggle in Southern Afrika has raged since the early 1960's and this is part of the historical trend that is moving forward irrestibly— Countries want independence, nations want liberation, and the people want revolution! You see, since the Second World War, U.S. Imperialism has "ceaselessly launched aggressive wars and carried out subversion and interference", supporting every fascist dictator and racist butcher in the world. In fact, without U.S. imperialism and the aid it got thru N.A.T.O. to drop napalm on the people of Afrika, Portuguese colonialism could not have sustained the 14 year colonial war against the revolutionary patriots of Angola. And this is the role that U.S. Imperialism plays in Southern Afrika. But this policy has boomeranged on U.S. Imperialism, and "Like lifting a rock only to drop it on its own feet", the people of the 3rd world thru wars of national liberation are forcing U.S. imperialism to contract and decline in the poison of the internal contradictions of monopoly capitalism and imperialism.

USSR: THE TIGER AT THE BACK DOOR!

Today all of Southern Afrika has become an arena for Superpower contention in Afrika. The Soviet Union in the role of the newcomer among the imperialist powers, is "wildly ambitious" to "seek its place in the sun" by uprooting U.S. imperialism and implanting its own tentacles into the wealth of Afrika under

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the signboard of "socialism". "The Soviet Armed intervention in Angola stems from its long cherished ambition to seize this strategically important place and expand deeper into Southern Africa." 2 And the USSR has shown, like all other imperialist, they will fight imperialist wars, most recently killing more than 150,000 Angolans, to gain hegemony in Southern Afrika! But more and more people can see that the USSR has neo-colonial designs on Afrika so it can "help itself to raw materials there".

Every day the lies of the Soviet Union become clearer and clearer, just as the tragedy of Cuban degeneration in becoming lackies of Soviet Social Imperialist expansionist policy is becoming clearer. Cuba's behavior around the Angolan situation also must raise questions about the class in power in Cuba itself! The lie that the Soviet's use of Cubans as mercenary troops in Angola is somehow "proletarian internationalism" is smelly garbage. And meanwhile various groups mouthing revisionist propaganda in the U.S., some who have no real understanding of Soviet Social Imperialism -- are supporting the tiger coming in the back door after the wolf has been driven out the front door. These people are doing Afrika a real disservice! But do these same groups not remember how the USA used to give "aid" to end British colonialism in Afrika? And look at Kenya today. the USA has taken Britain's place for sure. Is that what these misguided patriots want for Afrika? Not U.S. domination, but Soviet Imperialist domination? The Soviet Union has already set up some 29"trade agreements" with Afrikan countries and almost as many blood sucking transnational corporation to rob the Afrikan continent. And these countries had best study the example of the Egyptian people (who ousted SSI) very closely, by unifying their ranks, heightening their vigilance and helping to drive all imperialism and especially U.S and Soviet Imperialism from Afrika.

KISSINGER'S TRIP: BEWARE OF THE WOUNDED WOLF!

Kissinger's trip to Afrika must be understood in the light of the fact that U.S. imperialism is on the decline all over the world, and the U.S. is clinging tenaciously to the hegemony and superprofits it has seized from the people of the world. Especially, now in Afrika, the U.S. is the wounded wolf trying to hold onto its spheres of influence and control against the heavy onslaught of the aggressive imperialist designs of the USSR. And for the first time in 6 yrs. U.S. imperialism has had to dend its Secy. of State to sub-Saharan Afrika. Very closely the U.S. is feeling the blows of the rising revolutionary armed struggle in Zimbabwe, Namibia, and Azania, and at the same time the USSR has replaced them in Angola.

Both Superpowers' designs on Afrika are doomed because, "The awakening African people want neither U.S. nor Soviet intervention in Africa. They are fully capable of achieving independence and liberation for the whole continent by their own strength."3

South Afrika's attempt to combine talk of detent on the one hand, with the most savage political and military suppression of the people and liberation groups in Southern Afrika, is right in tune with Kissinger's strategy. But the liberation movements understand that Vorster has been forced into this "litany of peace" by the advance of the revolutionary struggle of the people of Southern Afrika. The people of Zimbabwe understand that any negotiations must be based on armed struggle, no matter what attempts are made to lull them to sleep by the enemy! Only armed struggle and revolution will liberate Zimbabwe and the rest of Southern Afrika. The fight against racism and colonialism in Zimbabwe is also a struggle against the superpowers and their attempted hegemony. It is impossible to wage a genuine struggle against colonialism and racism in Southern Afrika without opposing U.S. Imperialism and Soviet Social Imperialism, neo-

colonialism, and Zionism as well.

DOMESTIC CRISIS IN THE U.S. & PARTY BUILDING

Clearly U.S. imperialism is the Superpower on the decline in the world today, the wounded wolf. And right here inside the USA the struggles are sharpening more and more as a result of the fundamental contradictions of monopoly capitalism and intensifying the wave of social and political crisis and chaos that temper the people in struggle. And in its deadly move to maximize profits, the imperialist bourgeoisie is shifting the burden of the imperialist economic crisis onto the backs of the working class and oppressed nationalities. What does it all mean? It means that the massive layoffs, the cutbacks in vital services, the mounting police brutality and repression, the housing crisis, the rapid deterioration in public and higher education, the speed ups, deportation of oppressed nationalities and bad working conditions will get even worse. Because of these horrors of capitalism on its deathbed are no random accident, and the increased repression and exploitation are the planned motion of the monopoly capitalists to protect maximum profits by cutting back on the measures of deceit, like the reforms and concessions, and by putting more and more money into the instruments of war and repression. The people can see the whip in the bloody . hands of the imperialist bourgeoisie as they centralize their resources in preparation for a world war with the USSR. And as the bourgeoisie moves more and more to the right, with these initial steps toward fascism, the people can see the same ugly face of imperialism that the people of the 3rd world learned to despise, that is, the face of imperialism is becoming clearer to the people in the USA. And we will take up revolutionary struggle against the bourgeoisie and join the world united front against imperialism.

And everyday it becomes clearer to advanced forces in the struggle that the only solution is revolution! But in order to make revolution, socialist revolution, we need a "new party, a militant party, a revolutionary party, sufficiently experienced to find its bearings amidst the complex conditions of a revolutionary situation and sufficiently flexible to steer clear of all submerged rocks in

the path to its goal."4

"Without such a party it is useless even to think of overthrowing imperialism, of achieving the dictatorship of the proletariat."5 "No army at war can dispense with an experienced General Staff if it does not want to be doomed to defeat. Is it not clear that the proletariat can still less dispense with such a General Staff if it does not want to allow itself to be devoured by its mortal enemies? But where is this General Staff? The working class without a revolutionary party is an army without a General Staff."6

In this country we must continue to conduct propaganda as our chief form of activity in this first stage of the party building motion, doing this with the aim of uniting Marxist-Leminists and winning the advanced to communism. This will aid in isolating and exposing the enemies of the working class and broad masses and contribute to smashing US imperialism and Soviet Social Imperialism.

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