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EDITORIAL

THE SELL-OUT IS ON THE WAY

As far as we are concerned, and we know that all progressives are of this view, there can be but one just and permanent solution to the problems of Zimbabwe - immediate handing over of power to the majority of the people of Zimbabwe. Even Wilson and his cronies continue to prate about NIBMAR - no independence before majority rule.

Of course, we knew all along that for the Wilson's NIBMAR and similar "fancy frills" are merely the trappings, the sugar coating which covers their real, greedy interest - profit. We are now told that there never was any question of immediate majority rule. In fact, Thomson, British Commonwealth Secretary, tells us that Smith could have left the "Tiger" talks as Prime Minister-Designate of Rhodesia and could have had independence within four months. So much for all the high-sounding (albeit meaningless) phrases which have been churned out in London over the past two years since UDI.

Despite their suspicions progressives have been very tolerant over the Rhodesian issue. We were prepared to give Wilson a chance; we even went along with the empty shell of non-mandatory sanctions of "selected" items; we read of the "Tiger" talks with considerable resentment but were fairly tolerant. But Smith is as firmly entrenched as ever. Nay, more. The British Colony of Rhodesia has been invaded by troops from South Africa but Wilson's government makes only a feeble protest. Not that Britain is militarily weak. She acted very differently in Malawi, Guyana, Kenya, Cyprus, Aden, etc.

We are convinced that Wilson, in connivance with the United States and South Africa has worked out a formula which will be acceptable to Smith and, therefore, a complete sell-out of the interests of the majority of the people of Zimbabwe.

The recent flurry of activity in various capitals leads us to believe that preparations are urgently underway to foist this "solution" (sell-out) on the world. If this is so, certain questions immediately arise:-

1. Who are the conspirators?
2. What are their motives?
3. What has given urgency to the situation?
4. What is the evidence?

I. THE CONSPIRATORS

The chain of conspiracy involves the imperialists, notably Britain and the United States, and extends to their agents and stooges in Africa, particularly Southern Africa. The racist-fascist South African government is playing an increasingly important role in all this and for good measure Leabua Jonathan of Lesotho and Banda of Malawi have been brought in.

II. THE MOTIVE

The motive is tragically simple - to protect the huge investments in Southern Africa and the super profits accruing from them. British investors alone have a more than £1000 million stake in South Africa. It should be remembered that the chief function of Rhodesia is to act as a buffer between South Africa and independent Africa. The first "line of defence" is to be the Zambesi, not the Limpopo. The scale of investments in Rhodesia could not by themselves justify the recent developments.

III. THE URGENCY

One event and one event only of the recent past has been of sufficient magnitude to give urgent impetus to the situation. This is the recent battles waged by the African National Congress and ZAPU guerrillas in Rhodesia.

The courage and determination of these Freedom Fighters, the massive losses sustained by the Smith forces despite the presence of South African troops and police; the evident skill of the Freedom Fighters in the techniques of guerilla warfare; their ability to fight through Rhodesia and thus into South Africa. This and this alone has given a NEW and qualitatively different character to the whole Southern African situation.

The imperialists and their fascist allies certainly did not expect such skill, such bravery and such stubbornness. This clearly was a dangerous development which could easily ruin their strategy and upset the apple-cart. Most important of all, so long as the Smith group was categorised as a "rebel" regime the presence of South African security forces in Rhodesia would be an anomalous, tricky and thorny problem. But it was obvious that the Smith rebel forces were incapable of defending themselves against determined guerillas and that South African forces had to assist them. Therefore, some kind of legality had to be established quickly if the South African presence was to be maintained and reinforced in Rhodesia without embarrassment.

IV. THE EVIDENCE

Many of us, of course, do not require any evidence besides the treacherous record of Britain and the United States in Africa and elsewhere. Time and again they have publicly displayed their callous disregard for the peoples of third world. Their guiding beacon all along has been filthy lucre and all else has been sacrificed to attain it. But there is evidence in the recent goings-on.

(a) UNITED STATES

It is well known that for a long time a powerful South African Lobby has been active in Washington. It is well financed, has the support of some important members of the financial world and has intricate ramifications. It is also known that since U.D.I. a strong Rhodesian Lobby has been developed and

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has become increasingly vocal. More and more it has spoken out against sanctions and has used the old and hoary but still effective communist bogey to win influential support.

Senator Harry Byrd a spokesman for the Lobby recently introduced and then suddenly withdrew a pro-Smith resolution from the United States Senate. It is reported that he received assurances from the State Department that "certain important developments" were to be expected on the Rhodesian situation and his resolution would have been embarrassing. Can anyone doubt the nature of these "developments" if they were such as to satisfy Senator Byrd sufficiently to get him to withdraw his resolution?

(b) BRITAIN

The Rhodesian issue is an important problem facing the Wilson's government. Any casual observer would, therefore, regard it as imperative that it be discussed at a conference of the Labour Party. Yet when the matter was raised at the recent Labour Party Conference, the Chairman refused to allow discussion on it.

What was the reason for this? Surely it was not merely to save the face of the Wilson government. For issues such as Vietnam, the wage freeze, etc. which sorely embarrassed Wilson were freely discussed. The only likely reason is that discussion might have brought details of the conspiratorial formula to the surface at an inappropriate time and thus endanger the whole plot.

Again, all commentators agree that the recent meetings between Wilson, Brown and the South African Foreign Minister Muller discussed the Rhodesian issue.

But what was the nature of the discussion? It would seem that South Africa is acting as a go-between in setting the stage for the formula.

It is clear now that not only have sanctions failed but, according to sections of the British Press, they were not even implemented satisfactorily.

We have already reported earlier the British government's understanding of NIBMAR.

(c) SOUTHERN AFRICA

Can it be coincidental that people in countries as far apart as Britain, the United States, South Africa, Malawi and Lesotho are all calling for negotiations? The almost simultaneous unanimity of birds of similar feathers is at the very least, highly suspicious.

Again, can be sheer coincidence that Banda, ~~Loabua~~ and Vorster have all suddenly adopted an aggressive posture vis-a-vis Zambia?

Banda accuses Zambia of harbouring Freedom Fighters from Malawi and threatens reprisals. And the Malawi Minister of Transport, John Msonthi said "Malawi would destroy rebel training centres in other countries rather than wait for infiltrators to invade Malawi."

~~Loabua~~ calls President Kaunda a babbler (subsequently denied) and threatens Africa with the "might" of the South African armed forces.

Cabinet Minister of South Africa Ben Schoeman states that South Africa will destroy guerrilla training camps in Zambia. Prime Minister Vorster among other things states "stop this broggadacio. South Africa would hit Zambia so hard she would never forget it."

This statement was subsequently denied but that may be because Vorster went a bit too far and his masters pulled him back. Well may we ask, what did Smith and Vorster discuss at their recent meeting? Was Vorster passing on details of the formula to Smith?

(d) ZAMBIA

It is noteworthy how prominently Zambia figures in all the attack made by our enemies. Zambia is an independent African Country right on the borders of the fascist South; Zambia has all along maintained a highly principled stand vis-a-vis UDI, despite the obvious economic sacrifices this has entailed; Zambia has not only called for the use of force against the Smith rebels but has courageously offered herself as a base; Zambia has under great difficulty attempted to implement non-racialism in an area poisoned with racism; Zambia has openly expressed her solidarity with the oppressed people of Southern Africa; and thus Zambia is being made the butt of sabre-rattling from several different quarters.

The call for negotiations combined as they are with the aggressive postures of those who call for them are but a prelude to the sell-out. The groundwork is being prepared. Soften the opposition by threats, create an aura of reasonableness by the call for a dialogue and Wilson can do a deal with Smith on the pretext of safeguarding peace in the area and "protecting" Zambia. Thomson's visit to Rhodesia next month will be most interesting.

We may be attacked as being too cynical. We reject this outright unless some satisfactory alternative explanations can be given for the hush - hush meetings and the secret goings to and fro. We, of course, cannot see any other explanation.

"If you want to try violence, as you have advised other states in Africa, we will hit you so hard that you will never forget it!"
— Vorster.

"We are not going to have Whites from Rhodesia and South Africa to invade us and destroy the independence we fought for."
— Chanda.

"The Zambian flag would never be pulled down by anyone from outside the country. Blood has been spilled in the freedom struggle and people could be even more prepared to do the same after tasting the fruits of freedom."
— Kaunda.

"I never said that we would attack Zambia. Why should we?..."
— Vorster.



VORSTER IS CHALLENGED.

The joint guerrilla operations of ZAPU and the ANC (S.A.) have evoked strange noises in not so strange places but sometimes from strange quarters. Before we comment on the general war situation in Southern Africa with special reference to Rhodesia, we want to re-assert the strategic position: the White minority racist regimes on all sides south of the Zambezi stand together in a bloodthirsty triumvirate that encompasses South Africa, Rhodesia and Portugal. Their continued rule is based on force and violence; their ferocity and plunder of this sub-continent has mounted to levels never known before in the whole of Africa. We, the oppressed African indigenous people, cannot and will not approach White lunatics armed with rifles, machine-guns, saracens, helicopters, Buccaneer aircraft, poison gases, jails and the gallows by offering them our lives in empty dialogue and "peaceful" persuasion. The lion, leopard and hyena have always bared their snarling teeth and have never yet dispensed justice to a cowered, pleading sheep. Tyrants always rattle their sabres. We are not sheep but men who love our country and are ready to recover our birthrights even at the price of the supreme sacrifice.

VIOLENT CONFRONTATION.

Violence unleashed against us by the White fascist regimes cannot but be repelled by the revolutionary violence of the oppressed African majorities. That is the strategic situation in Southern Africa: a confrontation between discredited fascist oppression based on the violence of White minority regimes on the one side, and revolutionary armed struggle based on the mass resistance of the African majorities on the other. Seven million Whites in Southern Africa cannot forever succeed to deny 26 million Africans their inalienable rights.

But Vorster as the spokesman of the military axis of fascist White dictatorships in the South believes that they will rule forever. When the African freedom fighters repulsed the military units of Rhodesia and South Africa, it was Vorster who boldly threatened to invade Zambia.

The realities of the confrontation between the White fascist regime and the indigenous people in each territory of Southern Africa is fast developing into a serious confrontation across the Zambezi. The hard-won freedom and independence for which the African people have sacrificed is facing tremendous danger.

Every word of praise, admiration and solidarity must therefore go to President Kaunda for the courageous and statesmanlike mood and manner in which he defended the African Revolution and the sovereignty of Zambia against the mad threats made by Vorster.

NON-RACIAL DEMOCRACY.

President Kaunda made a brilliant analysis of the political situation in Southern Africa when he challenged Vorster in his speech at Luanshya on October 22, 1967. Dr. Kaunda was in excellent mettle, his oratory and deep conviction shining throughout the epoch-making speech. For the first time in the history of South Africa, a White Prime Minister was proved a liar by an African Head of State. Again for the first time in South Africa, a challenge was made to the White racist regime to dare pull down a national flag in an independent African state. When President Kaunda made this challenge, the African masses throughout Zambia felt the inspiration of his selfless leadership. Quite correctly and in no uncertain terms, President Kaunda described Vorster's threats as the cowardly ravings of a political idiot. Zambia reasserted her policy of non-racial democracy based on Humanism and her determination to continue supporting all Africans dedicated to the cause of the total liberation of Africa. Zambia, declared President Kaunda, will defend every inch of its soil. "If Vorster thought he could depend on his military might, Zambia could depend on the willingness of her people to make sacrifices when called upon. Zambians would defend their country from north, east, south and west. The Zambian flag would never be pulled down by anyone from outside the country. Blood has been spilled in the freedom struggle and people would be ever more prepared to do the same after tasting the fruits of freedom." This is an historic challenge by President Kaunda which the entire progressive world supports.

UNHOLY ALLIANCE.

The "unholy alliance" of Rhodesia, South Africa and Portugal also came under the devastating scrutiny of President Kaunda. He characterised the position of the Smith rebel regime as that of "spineless rebels depending on Vorster and Salazar to exist." And went further to disprove the erroneous view that "freedom fighters" are "terrorists". The White racist regimes and colonialist oppressors every where in the world always refer to the Freedom-Fighters as "terrorists" or "communist infiltrators" etc., as if the countries where they operate do not belong to them. With reference to Southern Africa, President Kaunda firmly rejected the view that Freedom-Fighters are "terrorists" and explained that such Freedom-Fighters were "not fighting against established democratic governments but White oppressors."

For more than three hundred years now White governments have had a monopoly of political power over the voteless indigenous African communities. They have advanced a hodge-podge of spurious reasons for retaining exclusive White rule over the Africans. They have invented equally deceitful terms to define their wicked White tyranny and privileged position in society: "White leadership," "Western Christian civilisation," "segregation", "trusteeship", "apartheid", "Bantustan homelands", "partnership" etc.

WEAPONS OR PEOPLE.

In the history of colonial oppression there has never been such profuse ingenuity in the proliferation of words to conceal wicked rule and the inhumanity of the White man to the Africans.

Vorster, of course, will continue to call Freedom-Fighters "terrorists" as that is the only language which he understands - police terror. But he would do well to ruminate over the words of wisdom uttered by President Kaunda at the mass Rally at Luanshya. Minority rule is a doomed social phenomenon whether it takes place in Vietnam, in the Dominican Republic, in the Kingdom of Lesotho, in South West Africa, in South Africa or elsewhere. Minority rule is even more abominable as a system of government when it is based on colour. President Kaunda showed Vorster the way out of the troubled mess in which his Nazi-minded ideology has landed him. In a country where Black and White live and work side by side, the ideal of establishing a non-racial democracy in which the human worth of every citizen derives from a social ethic that proclaims human brotherhood, human oneness as opposed to human separateness as the only durable foundation is an ideal worth the trouble to strive for. A contrary approach to adjust human relations will only bring about unnecessary suffering, and the loss of life, limb and property especially on the side of those who refuse to return to the path of sanity.

The African majority is bound to win because its cause is just. It is not weapons, not "military might" as President Kaunda rightly stressed, that will win the historic battles that lie ahead but the determination of the oppressed people to liberate themselves. This is a lesson which Vorster and his henchmen should remember as the Boers never accepted defeat by British imperialism. They continued to fight British colonial rule until they won state-power. Our people will also continue to fight White supremacist regimes until just societies based on equality and non-racial democracy triumph in the whole of Southern Africa.

President Kaunda has defined the humanist policies upon which the democratic institutions of Zambia are based. To insinuate that communism has anything to do with the desire of Africans to build their own social order, different in character and essence from the bedevilled racist concepts that pervade the existing White minority regimes south of the Zambezi is to fly in the face of reason and world public opinion.

ALL RACISTS CHALLENGED.

Vorster must listen to reason. He must recognise that just as "law and order" broke down under the tyranny of the rebel Smith regime, the few military detachments from South Africa have no chance of doing better. When the tide of revolutionary fury rises in South Africa where will Vorster and his cohorts hide their criminal heads?

Lunatic dreams of expanded Bantustans to include Swaziland, Lesotho and Botswana, and the expansionist policy of building a "greater South Africa that swallows up the "independence and sovereignty" Malawi ignore the most vital link in this turbulent Southern African deadlock : the Black masses demand equal rights now. They want freedom and human dignity and they are already waging guerilla warfare to win their emancipation!

President Kaunda has flung the gauntlet and Vorster must measure up to the challenge: the non-racial democracy of Zambia is stronger than the embattled laager of apartheid within which Vorster's regime imprisons millions. This is a challenge backed by the entire international community which has proclaimed the right of all men to self-determination and freedom from colonial bondage

If Vorster does not make amends in time, he is doomed to the same fate that inexorably overtook his former unlamented master, Adolf Hitler. The die is cast.

WAS PAUL KRUGER BLACK ?

Somebody once wrote a short story in which the racist white cabinet ministers of South Africa woke up one morning to find that their skins had turned black. The story was written in a semi-serious vein but clearly underlined the stupidity of dividing people on colour lines. The consternation of the cabinet which had undergone this strange pigmentary change was well brought out.

But the whole idea behind it is not as fantastic as it may appear. During the early years of Dutch settlement, the settlers were not averse to taking African women, as wives or mistresses. Jan van Riebeck, so dearly beloved by the Afrikaners, is reported to have had a Black wife. And, indeed, even when they did not overtly consort with Black women, the settlers often had covert escapades with Black slave women. The scale of this activity may be judged by the presence of 1½ million coloureds in South Africa. Not that we are critical, Far be it for us to regard it as immoral, impure etc.

But it does create problems for some of the not-so-pure white South Africans, for, after all, there are thousands of white South Africans whose ancestors include some Black people. And physiologically it is possible that a genetic throwback might result in a dark skinned progeny, thus creating much embarrassment and consequent tragedy.

This sort of thing does happen from time to time and the dark member of the family has to be kept hidden in order to protect the privileges of the white members. The problems and hardships arising from this state of affairs have been dealt with in South African Literature notably Athol Fugard's searing play "Blood Knot".

Be that as it may, who would dare in South Africa, to suggest that Paul Kruger - the beloved "oom Paul" of the race fanatics - was not white but coloured? For the racist whites this is the ultimate in blasphemy.

Kruger, the godfather of white supremacy and Afrikaaner race purity, not white? Who, indeed, would dare? Why, the Afrikaaners have set aside an annual holiday in honour of Kruger. But somebody did dare.

A few days ago Professor Oosthuizen, Professor of Philosophy at Rhodes University, speaking at a seminar on apartheid said that Paul Kruger was of "mixed" origin (coloured). This was in reply to another speaker who had viciously attacked the coloured people.

By so doing Professor Oosthuizen has attacked the most sacred cow of apartheid. The repercussions were not slow in coming. Hans Abraham, a top member of the Apartheid hierarchy, described Professor Oosthuizen's statement as "filth" and threatened some vague retaliation - some Afrikaaners threatened court action.

However, despite the enormity of the blasphemy, we do not think much will come of it. Not many Afrikaaners can be absolutely certain of the purity of their ancestry. Imagine the situation that would arise if investigation of Kruger's past produced a Black ancestor!!

THE BANTUSTAN MYTH

When the Bantustan scheme was first mooted its hope was eventually to create complete territorial apartheid. In the racist utopia of the whites the Bantustans would become highly industrialised, self-sufficient units which would be able to absorb all the Africans at present living and working in the area.

We must emphasise that this was only a day-dream. It was never the intention of the hard-headed fascist legislators and financiers to actually carry the scheme to its logical conclusion. All they wanted was to create a facade of self-government and develop an organised reservoir of cheap labour.

Secondary industry, it was hoped, would then move to the borders of the Bantustan thus intensifying exploitation and chucking back the squeezed - out broken dregs of humanity into the Bantustans after they had ceased to be productive.

Alas, after 10 years of the Transkei Bantustan the scheme seems to be in shambles. Despite the incentives offered to the industrialists few have moved to the borders, there are not enough jobs even for the 4½ million people already in the Transkei and the Urban African population is inexorably increasing.

One must admit the concessions offered to border industries are attractive. Tax concessions include :-

1. Additional allowances of 10% on the cost of power, water and transport for at least 5 years.
2. A 30% allowance on the initial cost of machinery.
3. Investment allowances of 25% of the cost of factory buildings and 35% of machinery cost.
4. The cost of moving a factory to a border area may be included in the capital amount for annual depreciation allowance.

Industrialists

Fully planned industrial townships are established where necessary, and factory buildings are erected and leased with option to purchase.

Finance.

Loans are granted on extremely favourable terms by the Industrial Development Corporation.

Labour

Workers in border industries are usually not included in Wage Board determination and even if included their level is set below the already poor wages obtaining in the Urban areas. This blatant exploitation is justified on the grounds that workers in these areas have a lower productivity (why this should be so is not explained) and have a lower cost of living (this too is not explained).

Housing

Financial and technical assistance is provided for housing white personnel and a depreciation allowance of 125% is permitted for tax purposes. No mention is made of housing for the African workers.

Despite these and other benefits industrialists are singularly unwilling to move to the border areas. Even the much lauded Cyril Lord factory which opened with such fanfare and received considerable government backing has been something of a white (!) elephant and is only now beginning to come right.

This state of affairs would appear to demonstrate that if ideology attempts to interfere with economic laws it is the former that suffers. The government has now passed the so called Physical Planning Bill in an attempt to force industry to the Border areas. We doubt if it will be any more successful.

In the meantime, exploitation of the African masses grows apace whether in the Urban areas or in the Border industries. The Transkei and other reserves continue to wallow in poverty with endemic starvation and disease.

The Bantustan myth is completely exposed - not even those who spoke of "giving it a try" can have a good word for it.

THE MIXTURE AS BEFORE

Recently the Rhodesian Association of Industries had its annual meeting. There was a mood of bonhomie and an air of optimism though the economic consequences of UDI could not altogether be disguised. That the economy had slowed down considerably was obvious but as obvious was the fact that sanctions were not biting nearly as hard as Wilson and his spokesmen would have us believe.

The chief speaker billed for the conference was Prof. J.L. Sadie, Professor of Economics at Stellenbosch. He was expected to outline the rebel government's thinking on economic matters. In the event his speech was something of a damp squib.

He went to great pains to demonstrate that one white was required to employ 7.4 non-whites. Somehow he tried to make this sound as though the whites were creating jobs for non-whites and the more whites there were the more jobs there would be for non-whites. We used to hear much about the civilising mission of the white man but this is certainly a new angle.

He then went on to give a long term solution to the Rhodesian dilemma by calling for considerable expansion of white immigration. Quid pro quo be called for more energetic measures among the African population. This was, of course, nothing new. It was the same old talk about "improving" the white/black nation.

So, Professor Sadie's "important" turned out to be "The mixture as before".

FROM THE WAR ZONE.

News have reached us from the other side of the Zambezi showing the tension situation that still prevails there. The area along the Zambezi and the point at Kazungula where Rhodesia abuts on Botswana, South Africa and Zambia is now under the terror of Rhodesia and South African military forces. These fascist military forces have established their camps in the entire area.

Inside Rhodesia there is a crisis which deepens by the day. In order to ensure a quiet and uneventful second anniversary of UDI, the fascist rebel regime has intensified house - to - house raids of the African townships in a manner no less provocative than the usual South African police early morning pass raids on Africans. This is a direct result of the fighting that continues to take place in different areas on a sporadic basis as the guerilla strategic situation permits.

But the mass harassment of the African people has not gone unchallenged. In numerous areas, especially around Mankie, Dett, Bulawayo and Tjolotjo there have been skirmishes and armed assaults against the enemy White forces billeted in these localities. The African members of the Rhodesian forces are also reported to resent the treatment they receive from White South African police and military units operating in Rhodesia. The White South African police are disguised in Rhodesian police uniforms but when they go on patrol duty or the hated raids on African townships and villages their White baaskap attitudes run riot. The White South African troops also freely use abusive and insulting language when addressing the African and Coloured members of Smith's police and "security" forces. This is the inevitable result of the extension of apartheid from the South to the North. Thus in the ranks of the Rhodesian armed and police forces there is instability caused by the hostile relations of hatred and suspicion that exists between the White racists and the Africans who bear arms in defence of the interests of their oppressors. As the crisis deepens and as the freedom fighters intensify their activities against UDI the mutual animosity between White and African troops in Rhodesia will surely erupt into widescale mutiny.

Already at Heancy Barracks in Bulawayo, the African and Coloured troops have been removed to a ramshackle camp 13 miles from Bulawayo. Their removal was necessitated by South Africa's insistence on the application of apartheid in the Rhodesian armed forces. The White South African troops have been bivouacked at the Heancy Barracks. Other White South African soldiers are at Tjolotjo. The presence of these White South African military contingents in Rhodesia can be established beyond a shadow of doubt. It also exposes the falsity of Vorster's statement that only S.A. police are in Rhodesia.

Ever since UDI some 300 White South African military men and their officers have been fighting on the side of the rebel Smith regime.

But the freedom fighters and the oppressed African people continue to hit back at all White military or police troops in Zimbabwe. The morale of the African people is high while the White widows and their orphaned children are losing hope and courage. Hence the hasty manoeuvres in Salisbury, Pretoria and London to cover up the panick of the Whites. Hence the diversionary attacks and threats to Zambia. And hence the badly contrived Wilson sell-out in the offing.

A PROP TO THE SHAKY KAMUZU.

Meanwhile reports have reached us that about 150 **White** South African police and military forces are operating on Malawian soil against the people of Malawi who have taken up arms against Banda's betrayal of Malawi's hard-won independence and of the African revolution.

It comes as no surprise that Banda should glorify the military might of South Africa nor that he should be shamelessly flirting with the fascists and preparing to open diplomatic relations with them in flagrant violation of all the O.A.U.'s resolutions on relations with apartheid South Africa.

South Africa's military penetration of the African continent which started with the mercenaries in the Congo has increased by leaps and bounds during recent years. The history of the mercenaries is well known to be repeated here. What puzzles many people is that after their sordid history of brutally suppressing the African people in South Africa and their criminal operations against the African people in the Congo, an independent African country should invite White South African forces to commit acts of murder and aggression against its own people. Such puzzled people need to judge a man by the company he keeps.

One factor that has become crystal clear is that the Vorster government has assumed the role of an international gendarme in Africa. It is increasingly appearing as the pillar and mainstay of fascist, reactionary and unpopular governments in Africa.

But the writing is on the wall. The days of fascism are fast running out both as an oppressive machinery in South Africa and as the mainstay of reactionary governments elsewhere.
