

BLACK PEOPLES' CONVENTION



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Black people in South Africa i.e. Coloureds, Indians and Africans are not at all surprised or shocked by the recent bannings of Black leaders. By now Black people are used to these intimidatory fascist actions and have fully provided for such contingencies. BPC calls upon all Black leaders to re-dedicate themselves to the struggle for liberation, fully aware of the implications and probable consequences.

The White racist regime has long spelled out its strategy and the ~~language~~ language it best understands. It is time Black people spoke the same language and ~~show~~ ^{show} their anger in no uncertain ~~terms~~ terms.

We call on all students (Black) in the Black high schools and Black universities and the ~~members of~~ ~~members of~~ ~~members of~~ general members of the Black community to come forward and replace any member of any Black organisation who is temporarily incapacitated by ~~the~~ fascist laws.

Black people must be aware that the day of reckoning with the fascists is at hand. They must ~~be~~ must also accept that life for a Black man in jail, under banning orders or any other restrictions is NO different from their "normal" daily life. The entire Black community is perpetually under banning orders. They are restricted by Job Reservation, influx control, house permits, lack of free-hold rights, poor amenities, poor wages and perpetually suffer from diseases of poverty and squalor. They are uncertain as to whether they will not be removed at the whims of officialdom. They are uncertain as to whether they will return "home" to their families, they are insulted and looked down upon by the minority White-racist regime who depend on military force and violence as perpetrated at Sharpeville, for the maintenance of their illegal regime.

Mr. Vorster is a frightened man, and he knows that his days of White domination are over and he will do everything to delay this. Let he be warned that there will never be another Sharpeville but there could be another Vietnam. He is the only man who will determine the nature of the struggle. Our liberation will come before his banning orders expire. Black majority rule will come willy-nilly.