

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE AFRICAN PEOPLE

FIGHT THE COMMON ENEMY - IMPERIALISM

In Africa and America the people face a common enemy - the bloodsucking system of imperialism. The same imperialists that exploit and oppress the African people (a prime example is GM, which has been in South Africa since 1926) reap superprofits from black African labor and force Afro-American people in the U.S. to work for the lowest wages allowable in GM factories here. It's the same imperialists who pay awages so low in South Africa to blacks and other minorities that they were never meant to provide more than it takes to just stay alive. The same imperialists keep Afro-American people and other minorities in this country in the lousiest conditions in this country, extracting superprofits from them through the labor the workers put into what is produced.

APARTHEID - THE RACIST EXTENSION OF IMPERIALISM

In South Africa, 13% of the people control the government, the resources and the lives of the other 87%. The 13% is a white minority that dominates every aspect of South African life. Under this system, known as apartheid, Black Africans are prisoners in their own country; their per capita income is over 13 times less than that of the average white; non-whites are not allowed to vote; and are persecuted via terrible conditions in housing, jobs, education, and health care which can only lead to genocide. Apartheid is clearly not a civil rights problem -it is the most brutal form of national oppression. It is the conscious and systematic oppression of an entire people directly resulting from the natural laws of imperialism. Imperialism is capitalism in decay, trying to prolong its existence through the most desperate attempts to expand and intensify exploitation. Without the presence of the U.S. and other international imperialists, without corporate investment, and the strong military force necessary to maintain the system, imperialism and its tool, apartheid, would already be overthrown by the people of South Africa.

GM AND ITS ROLE IN SOUTH AFRICA

In South Africa, blacks work in GM factories at a wage 1/16th that of the white workers, and this exploitation has one aim: profits! In South Africa, blacks are throw away commodities, and GM, like other U.S. and international exploiters, will never leave Africa since to do so would mean a huge loss of profits. GM has the gaul to claim that their investments help blacks in South Africa. They claim jobs in U.S. owned plants, like GM has, will benefit those blacks working there more than the profits from that labor benefit GM and their system. These statements are propaganda and lies used to direct our attention away from the real exploitation and oppression of the African people. The reason GM and other international imperialists

are in South Africa is not to give blacks jobs, but to steal superprofits from their labor.

EXPOSE IMPERIALIST PROPAGANDA

The speakers in the "Focus on South Africa" series at Kalamazoo College (except for Dr. Magubane) have been throwing out statistics in order to direct our attention away from the real problem. We should realize that the reason GM is in South Africa and the reason their representative, Pond, is here at K College, is the same one: superprofits are at stake, and the multinational imperialists, including GM, can't afford to lose such a lucrative set up as they have in South Africa. It is not up to Pond or any representative of the ruling class to say if they will stay in South Africa because the people of South Africa will drive them out! GM recently said it will not leave South Africa. What is going on is a feeble last ditch effort to gain what superprofits they can while they are still able to. We should oppose Pond and his real motive for being here - as a spokesman for the bloodstained U.S. corporate imperialists.

THE AFRICAN PEOPLE TRIED PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS

The people of Africa are rising up to throw all imperialists out. The people of Africa tried kindness, goodwill, non-violence and love, and for peacefully demonstrating were brutally massacred, like at Sharpsville in 1960. They saw that peaceful demonstrations did not bring any concessions from the ruling class. Out of their experiences they have learned that only a violent revolution will end their oppression.

STAND AND SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA!!!

The people of South Africa are rising up and fighting their oppressors and we wholeheartedly support their struggles. In rising up, the African people are showing the way forward for all of us. We in this country stand with the African peoples' just struggles. We see divestiture as a good show of support, but divestiture is not the real issue. The people of South Africa are kicking the corporations out of Africa. Within this country we must build strong popular support for the victory of the African people.

U.S. OUT OF AFRICA - SUPERPOWERS HANDS OFF!!!

FIGHT IMPERIALISM AND NATIONAL OPPRESSION FROM SOUTH AFRICA TO THE U.S.A.

VICTORY TO THE JUST STRUGGLES OF THE AFRICAN PEOPLE!!!

Come to K College, 103 Dewing Hall, Thursday, July 20, 1978 at 4:30 P.M.
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