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WORKERS SAY "NO" TO SOCIAL CONTRACT



A mass movement of workers from many industries throughout the country is continuing to build up against the government/TUC social contract. Many unions have their conferences at this time of year and most are snowed under with resolutions against any further wage controls. The bosses' paper 'The Times' was forced to admit on 6th April, that "even in (so-called) moderate unions there are signs of widespread disenchantment." As negotiations for a phase 3 get under way it is becoming clear that for a great many rank-and-file workers, more wage cuts are just "not on". Many shop stewards committees have already said that even if the trade union leadership does another sell out deal with the bosses and the government, they will ignore it.

KITTY BARGAINING

The latest scheme of Labour's is "kitty bargaining". This plan aims to fix a limit to the total rise in wages in a firm, and then to set workers fighting among themselves over how to share it out. This is nothing but a blatant trick by the Labour Party to split workers, in order to attack them all. In particular, it is aimed at setting skilled and unskilled workers against each other.

It is perfectly correct that there should be differentials between skilled and

unskilled workers. Realistic differentials should first be agreed among the workers themselves, on the basis of achieving

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maximum unity. On this basis a united struggle can take place for wage increases for all, and can be won! Opportunists of both 'left' and 'right' are already rearing their ugly heads, nationally and locally, to try to create divisions. It is on these opportunists that the hopes of the bosses' government rest to bring in a further round of wage cuts.

HEALEY'S TAX "CUTS"

Healey made a big show of handing out tax "cuts" in his budget. In fact we didn't even get back the extra tax that we had paid last year because of inflation. For this 'favour' Healey expects us to accept further wage cuts. Even the bosses on the budget comment programmes on TV were pointing out what a blatant con it was. Only one commentator kept saying how "encouraged" he was - Len Murray!

CONTRACT - CONTRICK

When Callaghan was faced with the vote of No Confidence in the Commons in March, he said: "everyone knows that the situation is going to improve and is improving in all the major aspects." He obviously doesn't mean our situation! Prices were going up faster in March 1977 than in March 1976; unemployment is still near 1½ million and is expected to rise further; and take home pay is worth less than a year ago! On April 18th at the conference of TASS, the Technical, Administrative and Supervisory section of the AUEW, it was pointed out that the average worker has lost £10 a week since the social contrick started, and that about £12,000 million of value had been

transferred from workers to the bosses and their state! That's what Callaghan meant! That's why workers want no more of it!

SMASH THE SOCIAL CON ACT!

'COMMUNIST' PARTY WORKING TO DIVERT OPPOSITION TO SOCIAL CON ACT

On April 3rd, a conference of 1700 delegates from many industries called by the British Leyland Shop Stewards Committee correctly demanded an end to Incomes Policy in any form. The revisionist 'Communist' Party of Great Britain was very active at the conference, and made sure that the resolution carried hid the bankruptcy of the Labour Party reformists. They claimed that the Labour government can be changed "in the direction of representing the interests of the working people" and that it should be kept in power. The Labour Party is the best bosses' Party, and its record over the last 13 years proves it. The revisionists are just acting as a 'left' cover for Labour. They also used the opportunity to spread their reformist 'counter-crisis' programme. Pretending that nationalisation has something to do with socialism, they called for "increased state investment". In fact the State monopoly capitalist companies like British Rail, have a worse record on jobs, wages and prices than the private capitalist firms! Without working class state power - state control is still bosses' control.

By linking the demand to end the Social Con Act with support for state monopoly capitalism and the Labour Party, the revisionists are acting to split the working class struggle against the social contract.

VOLUME 5 OF 'SELECTED WORKS OF MAO TSETUNG' PUBLISHED IN CHINA

On April 15th, Volume 5 of the 'Selected Works of Mao Tsetung' was distributed throughout the People's Republic of China. It will soon be printed in English.

The Executive Committee of the CFB(M-L) has written to the Communist Party of China, welcoming the news, stating that "Chairman Mao Tsetung was the greatest Marxist-Leninist of our time". Volume 5 will contain writings covering the period since the founding of the People's Republic of China in 1949. The letter pointed out that: "Among his many theoretical achievements, Chairman Mao systematically summed

up the historical experience of socialist revolution". Volume 5 contains many articles on the struggle against revisionism both in China, and internationally.

An enormous amount can be learned from close study of the Chinese Communist material. The first 4 volumes of the 'Selected Works of Mao Tsetung' have been a treasure-house; the fifth volume will be of enormous importance to the international Communist movement, and a powerful weapon in the struggle against revisionism.

MAY DAY — INTERNATIONAL DAY OF STRUGGLE

May 1st is the international day of struggle of the working class. Every year on May Day, millions of workers throughout the world demonstrate their solidarity and determination to defeat imperialism and capitalism, and build socialism.

May Day was born at the end of the last century, when Australian and American workers organised strikes and demonstrations to demand an 8 hour day. In America on 1st May 1886, some 200,000 workers went on strike and demonstrated for this, only to be met with a savage display of force by the police. Ten workers were killed in

Chicago, and many more were wounded, and four heroic labour leaders were arrested, 'tried' and later hanged by the bosses' courts.

But the movement could not be stopped. In Paris, in 1889, leaders from revolutionary working class movements from many countries met to form an international organisation of workers. They heard from the American delegates about the struggle there for the 8 hour day, and inspired by their example, decided to call an international day of strikes and demonstrations for the demand. The first international May Day was born on 1st May 1890, and the response from the working class was overwhelming. Throughout America, Australia, Europe, Russia and other countries workers went on strike. It saw London's first May Day when 200,000 workers demonstrated in Hyde Park!



But May Day didn't just become a day to demand the 8 hour day; it soon became an international day of class struggle. Even after the 8 hour day was met in many countries, May Day continued as a day where workers demonstrated and united in the class struggle against capitalism, and imperialism.

Today, May Day is celebrated in all corners of the earth. From the socialist countries of China and Albania to the peoples of Zimbabwe and Azania struggling for liberation, to the workers of Europe and all other countries, May Day has become a day of international class struggle and solidarity of workers and oppressed peoples throughout the world.

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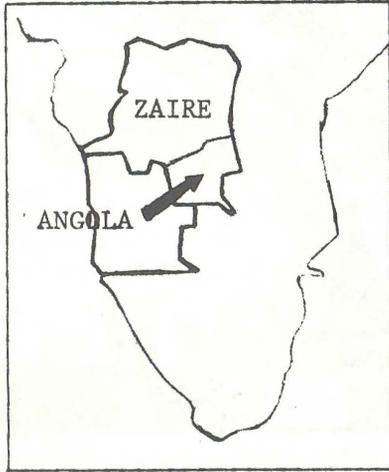
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AFRICAN PEOPLES OPPOSE SUPERPOWERS' AGGRESSION

Several thousand mercenary troops from Angola have recently attacked and occupied a number of cities in southern Zaire. The Soviet imperialists and their Cuban 'allies' claim that they have nothing to do with this invasion and that it is a 'popular uprising'. In fact the mercenaries are armed with modern Soviet weapons, and trained and led by Cuban 'advisers'.



These mercenaries were formerly the troops of United States' puppet Moise Tshombe of the Congo. In the early 60's Tshombe was described by Moscow as head of "a despicable clique of secessionists", yet now, the Soviet press honours Tshombe with the title of "the former premier of the Congo", and whitewashes the invasion as an "uprising", and a movement for "socialism".

These 'socialists' have an 'admirable' record of fighting and struggle! After they were driven out of the Congo they fought for the Portuguese colonialists in Angola. After the liberation movements had defeated the Portuguese, these mercenaries were armed by the Soviet Union, and fought with the MPLA. Now after being re-equipped and trained, they are invading Zaire under the leadership of Soviets and Cubans. In reality these 'socialists' are mere tools of Soviet social imperialism.

The designs of the social imperialists are becoming widely recognised in Africa. The leaders of the Organisation of African Unity and many African countries have denounced the invasion and pledged support.

SOCIAL IMPERIALIST DESIGNS ON AFRICA

This invasion is merely the latest violent step in a number of moves that the Soviet fascists are making, as they attempt to divide and control the whole of Central and Southern Africa. The invasion came at

a time when the Soviets were cheering the ratification of the so-called 20 year Soviet-Angolan 'friendship treaty' by the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet, and when Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny was about to start his African tour.

The signing of the 'friendship treaty' with Angola, has been hailed by the Soviets as a successful vindication of their policy of 'support for the African people'. In fact the treaty does not signify Soviet friendship, but a temporary strengthening of Soviet exploitation in Africa.

In 1976 a Soviet-Angolan statement announced that Soviet specialists, including 'defence' and armaments experts would work in Angolan government offices. Now Soviet and Cuban personnel control all important government agencies, and Soviet exploitation is intensifying. They have already taken substantial control of the diamond and iron industries, and are buying coffee from Angola at about one third of the world market price!

Increasingly, Angolans are coming to realize what Soviet 'friendship' really means. Since May last year, rising numbers of MPLA members have been imprisoned for demanding Soviet-Cuban withdrawal, while the Soviets and Cubans keep thousands of troops in Angola in order to 'stabilise' the situation.

SOCIAL IMPERIALISTS WILL MEET SAME FATE AS US IMPERIALISTS

The tour of Southern Africa by Podgorny has also been publicized by the Russian press, as a triumph for Soviet diplomacy. The visit was not quite the success they had hoped for however. A 20 year treaty of 'friendship and cooperation' was signed with Mozambique, but the Soviet Union did not get the naval and army bases they had hoped for. In Tanzania, Somalia and Zambia, Podgorny was told that these countries would not be diverted from their policies of non-alignment.

The first half of 1977 has seen the liberation forces in Azania (South Africa), Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) and Namibia step up their heroic armed struggle for freedom. The US, and British imperialists are carrying out all sorts of manoeuvres to maintain their interests. Soviet social imperialism is using this opportunity to pose as the 'natural ally' of the liberation movements, at the same time as it is carrying out aggression against the



SOVIET AGGRESSION AGAINST ZAIRE DENOUNCED BY CHINESE REPRESENTATIVE AT U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL

On March 24th, Lai Ya-Li, the Chinese representative to the United Nations, strongly denounced the Soviet Union for its role in the invasion of Zaire.

The Security Council had been discussing South Africa at the request of the African countries. In his speech Lai Ya-Li strongly condemned the reactionary South African government, and firmly supported the struggles of the people of Azania, Namibia and Zimbabwe.

Denouncing the two superpowers for their intensified rivalry in Southern Africa, he said that "one superpower is trying by every possible means to preserve its enormous vested interests there". The other superpower "is bent on dividing the liberation movements, and undermining the militant unity of the African countries ...and thus establish its hegemony (domination) there".

The USSR had mustered "large numbers of mercenaries for a flagrant large scale invasion of the Republic of Zaire". This showed "its adamant hostility towards the African people", and was a "glaring revelation of its unbridled hegemonic design in Africa. All this has enabled the people of Southern Africa to realize even more clearly that in order to overthrow the colonial and racist domination and achieve genuine national liberation, it is imperative to link the struggles against colonialism and racism closely with those against hegemonism".

Comrade Lai Ya-Li concluded by pledging the support of the Chinese government and people for the liberation and anti-superpower movements in Southern Africa, and demanded the imposition of UN mandatory arms embargo, and economic sanctions against the racist South African regime. ■

peoples of Zaire and Angola.

The latest manoeuvre by US imperialism to protect its interests in Zimbabwe is to propose yet another peace conference. The British Labour Party foreign minister put this to the liberation forces, saying that the conference would be co-sponsored by the USA and Britain. The Patriotic Front rejected this diversion and replied that it will step up the armed struggle! They also issued a statement saying that they would not take part in any conference in which either of the two superpowers took part.

African countries and liberation movements are becoming more and more aware that whilst pushing the US wolf out the front door, they must guard against the social imperialist tiger coming in the back! ■

Soviet trawler punished

On April 11th, the British government finally took action against continued Soviet violations of the 200 mile European fishing limit. The Soviet trawler 'The Hovan' was illegally fishing without a licence 33 miles north east of the Shetland Islands, and was intercepted by the Navy. The captain was fined £10,000 and the ship's catch and fishing gear was confiscated.

The social imperialists are carrying out illegal plunder of fish in other people's waters throughout the world. It is absolutely correct that countries protect their resources and independence, and stand up against the bullying of the 2 superpowers. ■

Mr. Young, the US ambassador to the United Nations has even given his approval to Soviet social imperialist aggression in Angola and Zaire. At a meeting with journalists in April he asserted that the Cuban troops in Angola were playing a "stabilising role", and added that they were protecting American-owned Gulf Oil installations in Cabinda from attack! ■

CELEBRATE THE ANNIVERSARY OF VIETNAM'S GREAT VICTORY

Two years ago the US imperialist aggressors were kicked out of Vietnam. In the same year the US and their reactionary puppets were finally defeated in Cambodia and Laos. The great victories of these small nations marked a turning point in the struggle against US imperialism, especially in South East Asia where other countries like Thailand are increasingly standing up to the US.

The powerful US war machine was defeated by people's war in Indochina. The US dropped 7½ million bombs on Indochina, compared with 2½ million in the Second World War. They spent vast sums of money - the war cost 4 billion dollars in Cambodia alone. Beside the puppet troops, in 1969 there were 500,000 US soldiers in Vietnam. They used chemicals to poison the countryside, and electronic intelligence devices to locate the liberation forces. Despite all this they were defeated by the heroic peoples of Indochina.

The victory of the Vietnamese and the allied peoples after thirty years of anti-imperialist war shows that it is people, not weapons, which are decisive. As Mao said "The revolutionary war is a war of the

masses, it can be waged only by mobilising the masses and relying on them." The Vietnamese depended on people, not technology, for their intelligence. Because their cause was just they had support in areas the US claimed to control. Like reactionaries everywhere, the US underestimated the strength of the liberation fighters, and made all sorts of mistakes as a result.

The US imperialists had weapons but they could not rely on the people who had to use them - their own troops, and the puppet soldiers. As the war went on opposition to the war grew in the US and other countries. This was like a stab in the back to the aggressors.

Last year, Vietnam was successfully reunified, as Ho Chi Minh had confidently predicted in 1969 when the war was at a very fierce stage. The great victory of the Vietnamese people and the allied peoples of Cambodia and Laos has been an inspiration to anti-imperialist forces all over the world. It is the concrete proof that a small nation under revolutionary leadership can defeat a strong imperialist power.

IF THE GIRLS STICK TOGETHER

Electrolux, a Swedish firm produces fridges and hoovers. It is doing well and its profits were up to £16 million last year. That is - the bosses are doing well! Men and women workers change jobs a lot and women often train new workers. But it took seven women two years to get an equal pay case through the courts. They won their case in February, but when they went back to work the next Monday, they found they had been shifted to different jobs! Their new jobs were a lower grade - so back to unequal pay. The new workers on their old jobs were still paid at the low rate.

At this point the women had had enough. They'd waited two years for their case to come through the maze of the law. They hadn't got any support from their convenor or union. The excuse given was that the union preferred collective action to individual cases in the courts. Good enough! But there obviously hadn't been any collective action to force the bosses to pay equal rates. Women weren't even getting the lowest male rate and men and women were

paid different for waiting time - for doing nothing!

So the women workers came out section by section. The Works convenor said he hadn't got time to discuss their case. But when 600 women had left their jobs, he had to agree to a factory meeting. At the meeting he hummed and hawed and tried to persuade the women to go back to work. But the shop stewards committee voted to support the women's claim and finally plans were made to get the bosses to pay out.

The Equal Pay Law at best gives us certain rights on paper which we have to fight for in practice. Whether we win the fight depends on the unity of the working class. As one of the Electrolux workers said: "If the girls stick together, we'll get what we want."

In fighting the bosses, we must also fight to change our unions from being hand in glove with the bosses and turn them into fighting organisations of the working class.

WORKING CLASS - ONLY REALLY REVOLUTIONARY CLASS

In the struggle to build the revolutionary Communist Party, the CFB(ML) has stated that building communist bases in the working class must be the central task of mass work at the present stage.

Looking back to when the Russian revolutionary movement was at a similar stage in the 1890's, Lenin said: "We had astonishingly few forces, and it was perfectly natural and legitimate then to devote ourself exclusively to activities among the workers, and severely condemn any deviation from this. The whole task then was to consolidate our position in the working class."

Why should revolutionary communists "concentrate their activities on the industrial proletariat", in particular among the factory workers, as Lenin said? It is because the working class is the only really revolutionary class.

WE CREATE THE WEALTH - THE BOSSES TAKE IT

Ever since the capitalist system came into existence, the capitalists and the workers have been locked in struggle. The two classes have opposite interests. All wealth is produced by our labour, but it is the capitalist parasites who own and control that wealth.

The bosses' interests lie in increasing the exploitation of the workers, in speed-up, in productivity increase, in having more wealth created by less workers, in keeping wages to the minimum possible.

The history of capitalism is the history of the struggle of our class against the bosses. For centuries our class has fought to reduce exploitation. This fightback was spontaneous and inevitable, because workers experience exploitation every day and are bound to fight back to protect themselves.

THE FACTORY UNITES THE WORKING CLASS

The capitalist system, by its very nature, has brought workers together in the factory. In doing so it has created its own gravediggers! It has transformed work from the individual work of the peasant and the artisan, into work that is 'social' in character. In modern factories products are only made by the combined labour of tens, hundreds, or thousands of workers. The ownership and control of the factory by the capitalists, stands in sharp contrast to this 'social character of production.'

In the factory, individual protest is obviously irrelevant. Workers on the shop floor know that just as they combine to



produce, they must combine to struggle. Our strength lies in common action; the more united we are, the stronger we are.

It is these conditions that we work in that makes the working class the only really revolutionary class. We create the wealth, the capitalists live on our backs: the working class has no interests in capitalism. We work together, and learn to struggle together.

These characteristics have shown themselves in practice, in the class struggle. Our class fought for the right to form unions, to organise our collective struggle. The capitalists fought this tooth and nail. They used the police, the army, the courts and the prisons to prevent it, but they were defeated. The working class fought for the ten hour day, and then the eight hour day. The working class has fought against factory closures and redundancies, for decent working conditions and for pay. We will go on fighting, because we have to, until the whole rotten system has been buried.

BUILD THE REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY

The spontaneous struggles are struggles against the effects of the capitalist system. They are absolutely necessary, but in themselves they will never solve the situation, because they do not aim to smash the exploiting system. The bosses have never hesitated to use force when the chips are down, and they never will; but they have another weapon - the disruptors within our ranks, who actively work to split our ranks and divert the struggle to 'safe' channels. That is why we need our own Party - a Party of the only really revolutionary class, the working class - a revolutionary Communist Party. Only the revolutionary Communist Party can lead the working class to unite all working people and smash the monopoly capitalist system.

BUILD THE REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST PARTY!

This is the first of two articles on classes in Britain. Next month this feature will carry an article on other classes and strata in capitalist society, and their position in the struggle between the two main antagonistic classes - the working class and the bourgeoisie.

A WORKERS' NOTEBOOK

HEALEY AND CALLAGHAN ARE TRYING TO SAVE their skins by promising us economic sunshine by the end of the year. The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe know better. Healey puts his faith into the other western capitalist countries coming out of their slumps and buying more British goods. But the UN report published at the end of March said that European economic growth would stagnate or even slow down and that unemployment would rise. The UN Commission doesn't see much hope for western capitalism for the next three years or more. ■

THE LEADERS OF THE SO-CALLED 'COMMUNIST' Party have faith that capitalism can be improved and finally reformed into their kind of socialism. Derek Robinson, chairman of the Leyland combine shop stewards committee, spreads these illusions about British Leyland. The bosses' paper the 'Financial Times' recently wrote an approving profile of this leading revisionist. They praised his commitment to the Ryder report and "his exhortations to the workforce to raise productivity and ensure continuity of production".

He said to the 'Financial Times', "We want a strong industrial Britain in which to build socialism." Robinson and his like have much more faith in the possibilities of capitalism to produce 'a strong industrial Britain' than the capitalists themselves. ■

A RECENT SURVEY OF 120 FINANCE MANAGERS of the giant companies controlling investment funds in Britain was published by the stockbrokers Rowe Rudd. These managers of insurance and pension funds, investment and unit trusts, were asked for their views on whether a Labour or a Tory government was preferable. Most thought that shares would do worse or stay the same under the Tories, with the investment trust managers particularly supporting Labour. The 'city' knows who its friends are! ■

"SIR WILLIAM BAGNALL, A JUDGE WELL KNOWN for his wide knowledge of property and trust law, left £96,837 gross, net nil, according to his will published yesterday. His widow said: 'This is not surprising - he was a tax expert and very astute'." ('Sunday Times', April 17th.)

Although he died worth £96,837 there was nothing left when the tax-man called - "net nil". In addition, he had almost certainly given thousands away to his family before his death to avoid tax.

One law for the rich and another for the poor. Of course, it is not a problem that any worker is likely to face. If a worker had worked for forty years, saved everything, lived on air and never spent a single penny (!) he still wouldn't have £96,000. ■

ONE OF THE MAIN WAYS THE IMPERIALIST countries, especially the two superpowers, extract extra profit from the developing third world countries, is by buying cheap and selling dear. Metals, foods and industrial raw materials like cotton have their price driven down by the imperialists. At the same time the imperialists maintain or increase the prices of machinery and manufactured goods they sell to the third world.

The third world countries have recently agreed to propose a fund which would be used to keep up and stabilise the prices of these raw materials. This would greatly reduce the superexploitation of the poorest countries by the imperialists.

The superpowers blocked these proposals at the Geneva conference in April. The US openly opposed the idea of the fund being a main plank of policy for safeguarding the interests of the third world. The Soviet Union tried to pretend it had nothing to do with third world raw material prices although in fact over 70% of its raw material imports come from these countries.

The Common Market countries agreed that there "should" be such a fund though they vacillated on its application and ended up supporting the blocking of any agreement. The third world countries however have worked more and more closely together and may well start to establish such a fund independently.

The united struggle of the third world for a new economic order is growing stronger. ■

Revolution

THEORETICAL JOURNAL OF THE NATIONAL
COMMITTEE OF THE CFB(M-L)

Building the revolutionary Communist Party to lead the revolution is the central task for all genuine Marxist-Leninists in Britain today. 'Revolution', the theoretical journal of the CFB(M-L), has been founded to be a sharp weapon in the struggle to build that Party.

Revolution 5 will be published in May. This issue includes:

CALL TO THE BRITISH MARXIST-LENINIST MOVEMENT

At the present time the Marxist-Leninist movement in Britain is small and disunited. But through active ideological struggle these negative features can be overcome. We must mobilize all positive factors for the socialist revolution. This article states the three main steps to be taken now in the struggle for unity. These are: to criticise small group mentality; to criticise the errors of the CPB(M-L) and to struggle to unite to form larger democratic centralist organisations.

FIRMLY GRASP THE MASS LINE IN BUILDING COMMUNIST BASES

The central mass work task for revolutionary Communists is to forge strong links with the working class. This is the way in which the future revolutionary Communist Party will be built as a proletarian vanguard. In building bases in the factories revolutionary Communists must grasp and use the mass line, which is the method for learning from the masses, integrating with them and giving leadership to the struggles of the working class. It is an important weapon in struggling to integrate the universal truths of Marxism-Leninism with the concrete practice of the British revolution.

Revolution 5 also contains an article on "The Ten Major Relationships" - a speech made by Mao, recently published by the CPC; an article on revisionism in Britain, which criticises the new draft of the British Road to Socialism, and shows how revisionism serves the bourgeoisie; and a Chinese article concerning relations within the family, which contains some important lessons on transforming the family into a fighting unit of the proletariat.

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FASCISM - BOSSES' LAST-DITCH WEAPON

In Bradford, the increased activities of neo-fascist organisations have been condemned by the Community Relations Council. At Stetchford, the fascist National Front got 8.2% of the vote. The Ku Klux Klan claims to be recruiting in Britain. What are the so-called 'democratic' parties doing about this?

The Tories are coming closer to the National Front. They were indistinguishable at Stetchford. The Tory candidate made racism the main issue. His leaflet raised stopping all immigration as the only question, just like the NF's. Tory leader Thatcher refused to condemn his anti-black stand.

OPPOSE RACIST IMMIGRATION CONTROLS

The big bosses' parties, Labour and Tory, use controls on immigration to stir up racism and divide the working class. They pretend that immigration is the cause of unemployment and bad housing. The real cause is the lousy capitalist system. The areas of highest unemployment and the worst housing, like Glasgow and Liverpool, have hardly any immigrants.

The Tories are hated by workers for their vicious attacks on workers and their support of bosses' privileges and of fascist governments like in South Africa. By using the NF lies like "our overcrowded island", the Tories are hiding the Hitlerite nature of the NF under apparent respectability, and paving their road to power.

The Tories introduced the first Immigration Act in 1962, to provide the bosses with black workers in the numbers they wanted. In 1964, the Labour government jumped on the racist bandwagon, by extending that Act. In 1968, they brought in an openly racist Immigration Act, banning black Commonwealth citizens (without a grandparent born in UK), but not white.

Tory and Labour stress the 'National interest' to curb the class struggle. The National Front seizes on this, and tells workers to fight for 'their' country, not against the bosses, but against their black fellow workers.

RULING CLASS TURNS TO FASCISM

As capitalism collapses under blows of the working class and the oppressed peoples of the world, bosses will turn more and more to open terroristic rule - fascism. Already the Labour government has stepped up state repression. The immigration Acts

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PEOPLE'S CHINA SUPPORTS STRUGGLE AGAINST TWO SUPERPOWERS

In April Mrs Thatcher, the Tory leader, paid a six day visit to the People's Republic of China. This is the third time a Conservative Party leader has been to China in the last few years. She, and Edward Heath before her, got a good reception there. This shows concretely how socialist China supports and helps develop the struggle by the world's people against the hegemonism, the domination of the world, of the two superpowers.

Soviet social imperialism and United States imperialism are the main enemies of the people of the world. The Soviet Union no longer a socialist country, has turned into its opposite. The Soviet Union is now the rising superpower, the most dangerous source of a new world war. It is the country pushing hardest for a redivision of the world. Witness how it has sent mercenaries from Angola to attack the independent African country Zaire.

Thatcher was invited to China because of her consistent opposition to the aggressive plans of Soviet social imperialism. She has repeatedly exposed the phoney Russian cries for 'detente', for a "relaxing of the tension between countries", while they continue to stockpile weapons at a furious rate.

She is a representative of the section of the British imperialist bourgeoisie which recognises most clearly the threat and danger of war from Soviet social imperialism. And the need for the countries

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and the "Prevention of Terrorism" Act allow detention and deportation without trial. Police harrassment, especially of black and Irish workers, keeps them under constant threat. Since the police attacked the black community at the Notting Hill carnival, they have arrested, amongst others, 18 kids for "conspiracy" - on the basis of photographs alone.

Labour and Tory sow the seeds of fascism to serve the bosses. Neo-nazi parties like the NF are the dung which feeds those seeds. Black and White workers will unite and destroy all these capitalist scum in the struggle for socialism.

of western Europe to unite and speak with "a stronger European voice". These warnings of hers are a good thing in the present world situation.

China is a staunch fighter alongside the other third world countries against imperialism and superpower domination. By inviting Thatcher to China, they have encouraged and strengthened those forces in the world who are actively opposing the attempts by Soviet social imperialism to start a third world war.

THATCHER'S OPPOSITION TO SOCIAL IMPERIALISM AND HER INTERNAL POLICIES ARE TWO DIFFERENT MATTERS

This progressive aspect of Thatcher's international stand in no way lessens her reactionary nature as a representative of the British imperialist bourgeoisie. She supports the bosses' continued exploitation and oppression of workers in Britain and the people of the third world. It is exactly because she represents British imperialism, that she opposes Soviet social imperialist domination of Europe.

While supporting Thatcher's correct stand against the Russian superpower, we must also oppose her incorrect stand towards US imperialism and people's war. If the Soviet Union does attack western Europe then the people of Europe, led by the working class, must rise up and fight a people's war. A war to end war, and to free us from imperialist domination by either superpower. A war fought by the people - a people's war.

But Thatcher would have us rely on US imperialism. The working class and people of Europe cannot rely on the other superpower. The US would hand over western Europe to the Soviet Union or even make Europe a nuclear wasteland if that suited its imperialist aims.

Thatcher and her class of British bosses will be defeated by the socialist revolution in Britain led by the working class; but in the present world situation of superpower contention for global hegemony, her warnings of the threat from Soviet social imperialism are correct. By inviting her to China, that great socialist country has helped to strengthen a growing trend in the world. The trend led by the third world, against the domination of the two superpowers, the Soviet Union and the United States.