



## Editorial Comment

# WE WANT THE WHOLE BAKERY

The recent South African racists' parliamentary session must have convinced all - those who pretend to be deceived by Botha's double-talk about reform including - of the commitment of the Pretoria fascist rulers to the policies of apartheid, a system designed to keep the Black oppressed forever groaning under the jackboot of white apartheid colonialism. The racists came out of parliament more determined than ever to keep the Black man in his place and to spread death and carnage to extents beyond imagination in the sub-continent, all in the name of "obliterating any threat to the *status quo*". Inside the country repression is expected to be stepped up to levels deplorable as the Detainees Parents Support Committee (DPSC) has been branded - and this applies to all

principled opposition to fascist oppression - "support organisation for the communists and the African National Congress."

Having apparently failed to hoodwink the Coloured people by drawing them into the laager (the decision of the Eshowe congress of the Labour Party to participate in the so-called President's Council has invited strong rebuke and censure from the Coloured people), the racists are now bent on broadening the crumbling laager by luring urban Blacks with the intent of sowing division into the ranks of the African majority. Piet 'Wapen' Botha is now calling for the establishment of a special cabinet committee to look into the problems of urban blacks. This cabinet committee, so it is destined, will hold talks with the leaders of the

'independent Black states' and self-governing homelands in an effort to try to solve problems. What betrays the fact that no significant change whatsoever will ensue from such talks is the assurance given by Botha to his parliament and supporters that "discussions would take place within the bounds of Nationalist Party policy."

### **THEBEHALI**

White South African newspapers have welcomed the "new deal for urban blacks" as a "glimmer of hope", and the haste with which quislings like Thebehali voiced their readiness and enthusiasm to 'negotiate' is enough to justify our position that the deal that is in the offing is nothing better than the community councils. We would like to warn them in time that the same fate which befell the treacherous leaders of the Coloured Labour Party awaits them. Like their Coloured brothers, the African people will not allow themselves to be used to fill the pockets and julge the tummies of such unscrupulous traitors with money drawn from their sweat and blood.

It is no accident that this scheme is drawn at this time when seeds of unity have been planted and are visibly nurturing. This scheme is in character with the regime's policy of **DIVIDE AND RULE**. Dividing the African into urban and rural Blacks will, they va-

guely hope, dwindle away the growing unity of the African people and therefore facilitate the extension of the term of our slavery. It will also provide fertile ground for the implementation of the genocidal **Orderly Movement and Settlement of Black Persons Bill**. This is a deliberate and well-calculated campaign to counter the African National Congress' campaign for **UNITED ACTION**, our battle-cry for the year.

From us the oppressed this idea of a special cabinet committee merits no consideration. We must immediately pick up the cudgels and wage the most concerted campaign against it and nip it in the bud. It is clear that what the Pretoria cutthroats are bent on achieving has absolutely nothing to do with alleviating the station of the Black man. Our problems - and they merit no investigation as they have been eloquently expressed ever since the white marauder set his foot on our ground - stem precisely from the genocidal policies of National Party rule and those of their predecessors. Their solution lies not in racist parliamentary debates but in our own efforts, our own struggles and sacrifices. We gave the solution 28 years ago when we drew up the list of our demands as enshrined in the **Freedom Charter**. Gone and forgotten are the days - if there ever were any - when a slice of bread could mollify us. **we want the whole bakery.**

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