

Massacres perpetrated by the racist regime

By mid-1950, the African National Congress (ANC) called upon the whole oppressed people of South Africa to join and solidarize themselves with the nation-wide strike scheduled to take place on June 26.

This decision, which constituted an open challenge to the laws of the country was adopted so as to pay tribute to the victims of several decades of violence and massacres perpetrated by a racist minority regime, and on the other hand to assert the resolve to continue the struggle for national liberation.

Thus, June 26 became the symbol of the resistance and firmness of the South African people in devoting themselves by all means to the liquidation of oppression and exploitation and the overthrow of the white minority regime which for centuries has imposed and maintained Apartheid, the cruelest system of racial discrimination and genocide known to the African continent.

Over thirteen million Africans

live under this system, which subjects the South African people to inhuman living and working conditions, while preventing them from exercising their rights.

The ferocious repression against the South African people by the successive racist and fascist regimes of the Republic of South Africa has often manifested itself and continuously manifests itself by means of the arbitrary imprisonment, the herding into concentration camps and the plain murder of thousands of Africans.

The imperialist powers — faithful allies of South Africa's racists and fascists— ignoring the universal principles of Human Rights and the numerous denunciations and condemnation of the Apartheid system by world opinion, support the Pretoria regimes so as to perpetuate the shameful exploitation of the African people.

Backed by imperialist powers such

as the US, West Germany, Britain, France and Japan, Vorster's racist regime—in complicity also with the racist and colonialist governments of Southern Rhodesia and Portugal—is intensifying its fascist rule by means of terror, police violence and unrestrained militarism.

In addition, this support contributes to the strengthening of the anti-African alliances so as to maintain foreign domination in southern Africa and likewise favors neocolonialist expansionism over the African continent.

In answer to all these maneuvers and violence contrived by imperialism, the African people are stepping up their liberation struggle. And the alliance of the ANC and ZAPU, concluded on August 13, 1967 expresses the importance and level reached by the armed struggle for national liberation in the south-

ern part of Africa. On the battlefield, the politico-military activities of the South African patriots are being progressively intensified as the only way to liquidate this regime once and for all.

On the occasion of the commemoration of the World Day of Solidarity with the South African people, the Executive Secretariat of the OSPAAAL calls upon all its member organizations to organize, on June 26, demonstrations of solidarity with the oppressed and militant people of South Africa and to offer all the necessary material means for the development of their national liberation struggle.

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