

The Unholy Alliance— Rhodesia, S. Africa, Portugal— means Smith can win

Dr. Verwoerd, Prime Minister of South Africa, is maintaining normal trading and other relations with the Smith regime; he says friendship is continuing. He has made clear South Africa's rejection of all boycotts of Rhodesia. His government is giving full economic backing to the Smith regime. South Africa will replace Britain as Rhodesia's major source of capital goods. It will assume the role of unofficial marketing agent for Rhodesia in world trade—it will support Rhodesia's currency.

In fact

Economic sanctions against Rhodesia whether by Britain alone or in concert with other countries cannot work while South Africa supports Smith.

Tobacco:

South African industrialists can buy Rhodesian products and market them—Anton Rupert, the South African tobacco tycoon, has already offered to buy the entire 1966 Rhodesian tobacco crop.

Oil:

Portugal and South Africa together can break an oil embargo on Rhodesia—and intend to.

Defence:

In a leader headed "The White Axis" on July 20th 1965, the *Rand Daily Mail* in Johannesburg said: "In spite of the secrecy, there is almost certainly a mutual understanding on defence matters (between South Africa and Rhodesia).

Our ties with the Portuguese are also being strengthened all the time, and again in spite of the secrecy, most thoughtful South Africans, take it for granted that we have political and military understandings with Lisbon. The Pretoria, Salisbury, Lisbon axis already exists in fact, if not on paper."



Meanwhile the Smith regime extends to Rhodesia the rule of white domination and apartheid practised in South Africa.

- Police terror and violence is employed against all who oppose Smith.
- Rhodesia's four million Africans are deprived of the basic human rights by 200,000 Whites.
- Mass detentions without trial are taking place.

White domination in Southern Africa means race war.

Race rule must be wiped out—in Rhodesia as in South Africa.

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