WHY ARE WE MARCHING

Today, 15 years after the South African police murdered 69 peaceful demonstrators at Sharpeville, 24 million people in Southern Africa are still calling for their freedom.

Freedom from apartheid, from white minority rule. In South Africa, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) and Namibia (formerly South West Africa) the struggle for freedom is mounting.

WE ARE MARCHING TO SUPPORT THE STRUGGLE

They are fighting against racial discrimination * which makes all blacks virtual slaves in the land of their birth * which makes them poor in the midst of plenty * which denies them ordinary human rights.

But, you may ask, isn't all this changing now? Haven't Vorster and Smith promised to make concessions?

Only the face of racial injustice is changing - not its essence.

While "talks about talks" are in the sir and the press are reporting about detente.

Vorster is:

* trying 12 young black leaders under the notorious "Terrorism Act" which carries the death penalty: * detaining at least 30 others · * detaining Rev. Sithole on in solitary confinement; * arming the whites to the teeth with a 15% increase in the peaceful solution to the military budget.

Smith is:

* persisting with the trials and executions of freedom fighters: * refusing to release political detainees: trumped-up charges; *sabotaging all hopes of a Rhodesian crisis.

Above all, Smith does not want independence for Rhodesie on the basis of majority rule: Vorster does not want independence for a united Namibia on the basis of majority rule.

REMEMBER

SHARPEVILLE

The white bosses are now talking of peace, but still daily make war, and preparations for war, against the African people.

The brutal assassination of Herbert Chitepo shows their ruthlessness.

Why are they so bold, despite the recent defeat of Portuguese colonialism in Mozambique and Angola?

BECAUSE BRITAIN IS BACKING THEM!

Last year, the Labour Government authorised the largest ever joint military exercises with South Africa, and joined the USA and France in blocking Vorster's expulsion from the United Nations.

Mr Callaghan says he's ending the Simonstown Agreements, but that Britain will continue to use Simonstown! The Labour Government is refusing to implement its own manifesto promises to "disengage from Britain's unhealthy involvement with Apartheid".

No wonder Vorster is defying world opinion so brazenly.

That's why we're out on the streets today - saying:

END BRITISH MILITARY COLLABORATION WITH APARTHEID SUPPORT THE LIBERATION STRUGGLE IN ZIMBABWE NAMIBIA & S AFRICA RELEASE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA NO BRITISH SELL-OUT OF THE ZIMBABWE PEOPLE

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