

SAVE NAMIBIA FROM PUPPET RULE

Tonight's several black guests of the South African embassy and of the American government include delegates from a "constitutional convention," for a future government of South West Africa (NAMIBIA), which convened in Windhoek in August of this year. Their presence here does not indicate any newly discovered fondness for black people on the part of South Africa nor any real change in South Africa's determination to keep its stranglehold politically and economically on Namibia.

South Africa hopes to accomplish this by creating a fragmented and disorganized state or collection of mini-states, still dependent upon South Africa for direction and still supplying South Africa's needs at the cost of its own development. What South Africa is determined to prevent is the creation of a unified and viable black nation, strong in the control of its own resources, independent in its political development, and dedicated to the interests of its own people. Such a state on its borders would be a constant reminder to black South Africans of their own bondage. WHAT SOUTH AFRICA WANTS IS A PUPPET REGIME BETWEEN ITSELF AND BLACK AFRICA.

The delegates to the South West Africa constitutional convention are delegates to the dismemberment of Namibia under South Africa's direction. The convention was called by South Africa, is watched over by South Africa, and the delegates are as unrepresentative of the will of the Namibian people as is the white minority government of South Africa which appointed and convened them. This Windhoek convention, like the celebrated "detente" and the publicized "easing" of petty apartheid, are part of the elaborate charade by which South Africa hopes to conceal from the world the continuing racism, brutality and exploitation by which three million whites hold absolute control over six times as many blacks in South Africa and Namibia.

The function of the convention is to confuse and blunt criticism of the continuing efforts of South Africa to control the wealth and destiny of the Namibian people, contrary to the League of Nations mandate by which South Africa first gained authority in South West Africa, contrary to the decisions of the World Court and the United Nations which stripped South Africa of that authority for defying the terms of the mandate, and contrary to the will of the people themselves.

In order to silence the voices of protest against this sham convention, the forces of oppression in Namibia have increased the police state tactics by which they rule. Arrests, bannings, and exile are the consequences of dissent. Or worse -- mysterious disappearances and mysterious deaths!

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