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**BUILD UNITY,
OPEN FIGHT
on all fronts!**



ADDRESS

from
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Mamadou Lumumba
Shango Umoja

to

NATIONAL BLACK POLITICAL CONVENTION

"On the for real side Brothers and Sisters, there is now a white racist counterrevolutionary offensive against African people that is hanging like a storm cloud over the Pan-African World.

It is jeopardising the very survival of the African people as a functional and spiritual part of the human race. We must survive; the only way we will survive the storm is to move NOW to get under the Pan African umbrella and struggle together."

Certainly we have all wondered what practically can we do to move now to get under the Pan African umbrella and struggle together. How can we go pass the point of just saying "We are One African People" or merely shouting "Its Nation Time"? It is obvious that the African struggle for continental liberation is centered in the white racist controlled areas of Guinea-Bissau and racist southern African and with the considerable financial and military back-up from the NATO powers. In Vol. 1 #2 issue of THIS IS THE BLACK WORLD we said:

"...there is an intensified offensive by the white powers against African people throughout the world... Both South Africa's economic and military bases are being strengthened as a white stronghold by France, West Germany, U.C., Britain and Portugal against the Pan African world."

What must be the African response to this fascist-racist-pig happening? The Black people of Boston fashion an answer for us when they bestowed a \$10,000 check to be used for the African Liberation movements on the Tanzanian Ambassador. The Pan African Union also began to give us an answer when they collected \$2,500 for the African Liberation movements.

THESE ARE EXAMPLES OF TRULY GETTING UNDER THE PAN-AFRICAN UMBRELLA!!

We must begin to systematically mobilize ourselves, the Africans of the Americas, to support the African continental liberation movements. By doing this we will: (1) Re-inspire many continental African countries to give more effective aid to the forces of Pan-African Liberation. (2) We will provide a practical cohesive ideological taproot for our own urgent need of a Black United Front in

the African struggle inside the U.S. This perspective of action can also provide a similar basis for a resurgence of a much needed federated socialist Caribbean, (3) It will facilitate Pan-African Communicational Unity. (4) It will make it as clear as a Black Woman that the Africans victimised by imperialism in Southern Africa can expect Africans that have been exiled in the Americas for several hundred years, to utilize their resources and talents for the objective of helping free southern Africa. This will not only provide the Brothers and Sisters in South Africa with much of the necessary material support needed but also will provide all the Africans with the spiritual demand of our Great African Ancestors: Up you mighty race - you can accomplish what you will!!!

For these reasons, the Pan-African Union agrees to work again under the PAN-AFRICAN SECRETARIAT to make May 25, 1972, as the World Wide Day of Solidarity with the Armed Liberation Movement of Africa. On this day we the African people all over the world and our allies will collect money and medical supplies for the brothers and sisters on the battle field. This is how we will answer the pigs in their plot to build South Africa into an indestructible babylon-bastion of white supremacist hell. May the guerillas of Azania, Zimbabwe, Namibia, Guinea-Bissau, Angola, Mozambique take all their strong African fists and knock down the walls of the whore-house and faggot-villages of white South Africa and Portuguese Colonialism!!!!

IT'S NATION TIME!!!

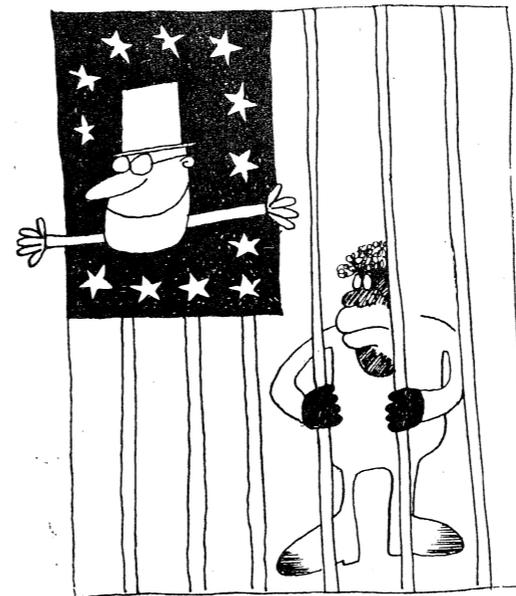
WE ARE ONE AFRICAN PEOPLES!!!!



INTRODUCTION

In the following interview that Brother Nqondi Masimini, a liberation fighter from Azania (South Africa) gave to African brothers and sisters from Afro-americans many critical issues that directly affect both Afro-americans and Azanians are intelligently covered. Therefore, we Africans inside the U.S. should not look upon his remarks as being merely about a remote, distant struggle of fraternal peoples that we can give money to help them defray liberation expenses, or background material to merely enjoy the boot dance show of our oppressed brothers in the South African mines, and then forget about the hell the brothers are forced to endure in the white imperialist controlled mines. But, we must examine the historical experience of the African people of Azania and learn from their struggles against the reactionary interests of the white colonizer dictatorship. Then we can integrate their relevant lessons into the strategic and tactical objectives and programmatic considerations of the Afro-american national liberation movement. Furthermore, we must prepare to coordinate the revolutionary protracted struggles of the Africans of both colonies along with all other revolutionary African struggles such as the heroic brothers and sisters of Zimbabwe (Rhodesia).

In addition, it is important to note that even though there are a few whites that have helped Blacks in the South African struggle the reality that they are part of the colonizer nation is still of vital significance to the colonized nation. Listen to Masimini relate the overall role of white 'progressives' in the South African liberation movement: "..... the white liberals and leftist have done



much to harm to the African liberation struggles because for a long time they have misdirected our struggle because they assumed positions of leadership although they were few. And some of those, when things became very hard they became key state witnesses against the liberation fighters, such as the chairman of the South African Communist Party, Peter Byveld." (emphasis ML)

Does not this situation parallel the real experience of the Afro-american liberation movement since the death of Malcolm? Don't we know that so often that when so-called revolutionary negro leaders shout 'seize the time!' in integrated political meetings and magazines they probably mean sexually seize white girls and embrace white homosexuals' hangups?? Do we need another stage of being pimped and pushed by devious white liberals and dope-filled, sex-crazy white radicals as well as being shot down in the streets by the white-wing power structure before we eliminate the Black Power Pimps and heed the words of Marcus Garvey: Up you mighty race you can accomplish what you will!! Let us pray to our ancestors that it will not be necessary.
Umoja!!
Free the Nation!!

Mamadou Lumumba
February 21, 1972

**THE FIGHT
AGAINST APARTHEID !**

INTERVIEW

Question: Brother Masimini, we do not hear much about the liberation struggle that is taking place in South Africa. Is the struggle for freedom and independence still alive?

Answer: It is very much alive, the struggle for freedom and independence in South Africa. But we have suffered a lot of setbacks in terms of infiltrating a big number of trained cadre into the country to effect an armed revolution. The white imperialists, in order to protect South Africa which is their source of money, have created buffer states surrounding South Africa from the north (Mozambique, Rhodesia and Angola). These buffer states create a lot of problems for us because we have to go through these states, sometimes traveling 1,000 and 2,000 miles in enemy territory before we reach South Africa. And out of this, we have lost a lot of our men fighting their way through, so those who manage to go through must go underground to train our people at home. In South Africa itself, the people are highly politicized as a result of the oppression and repression of the white man and have been involved in political education since early 1960. The people are ready for the day when the military trained freedom fighters will return to South Africa in big numbers with military equipment to execute the revolution. The people in South Africa while waiting for the return of the military, are still involved in political struggle--while we outside are reinforcing the brothers in Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia and Angola in order to have a direct relation to South Africa.

Question: What is the role of the white leftist organizations and white liberals in the South African struggle?

Answer: To answer that, the white liberals and leftist have done much harm to the African liberation struggles because for a long time, they have mis-directed our struggle because they assumed positions of leadership although they were very few. And some of those, when things became very hard, became key state witnesses against the liberation fighters, such as the chairman of the South African Communist Party, Peter Byveld. Byveld and others used to sit in very high conferences with the liberation fighters and as a result of them turning state witness, key liberation fighters such as Mandela, Sisulu and others are now serving life sentences. Mandela and the rest were arrested in the house of a white communist. Our people still believe that the whites informed the police of the presence of our brothers in that white house. There are a very few whites, such as John Harris and Bram Fischer who have contributed to our struggle. They were the

first to actively work with us. One has been sentenced to death and one is serving life in prison. Most of the white leftists are now retired and living in London, enjoying the rewards derived from the suffering of our people, such as Sam Kahn and Arthur Goodrich, as well as Carson, who was a leading defending lawyer in Mandela's case and is presently touring in the U.S. and using the money to his own advantage.

Question- Brother Masimini, since your visit to the U.S., do you see any similarities in the situations of Black people of the U.S. and South Africa?

Answer- As far as the role of the white left and liberals, there is a great similarity. They gain their profits from the exploitation and oppression of the Black people. And their role in the struggle is to sabotage the Black revolution and maintain the status quo. It can be clearly seen in the states how the white leftists have messed up one of the most dynamic revolutionary movements, The Black Panther Party. They sabotaged the struggle and 'split them up'. That is what they have been doing in South Africa for the last 50 years.

Question: Have you been directly involved with the liberation struggle in South Africa?

Answer: I have been directly, physically participating in the struggle and have also been a political representative in the theatre of the struggle in Zambia.

Question: Brother, we have heard that some black artists, sports people and students are going to visit South Africa. What are your feelings about that?

Answer: The African peoples feelings are very strong about Black people going there under any guise. We feel people such as Roy Wilkins are setting us back, stabbing us in the back and betraying the trust we have in our brothers and sisters in the states by accepting the invitation and being the guest of our enemy. All those who go there (e.g Hastings Banda) will be classified as the enemy of the African peoples and the allies of Vorster in the oppression of the African peoples in Azania.

Question: You just used the word Azania. What does it mean?

Answer: Azania is the name of South Africa. In fact, Africa South of Ethiopia. It means the country of the Black man. During ancient times, the Indian Ocean was known as Azania Sea. You can still find names, such as Zanzibar, which was derived from the word Zanj, which means Black man in Arabic. In Tanzania, the coast is called the Azania Front. So therefore, being Pan-African and not recognizing the white man's wants, we call it Azania which is historical. If we



have to be regarded South Africa will be called Mulundia, which comes from Mulundi Mountains.

Question: Brother Masimini, what role is the U.S. playing in the South African struggle?

Answer: The United States is directly opposing the freedom and independence of the people. They are fully supporting and maintaining the apartheid laws of Vorster by the heavy investments in Azania the training of their personnel and supplying military equipment. Men like the late Charles Englehart, who is very close friend of Lynden Johnson, former president of the u.s. who even represented the U.s. government in the independence celebrations of Zambia in 1964, are playing a very vital role in maintaining Vorster's South Africa and they also get massive profits out of slave labor. Corporations like Ford, GM, American Motors and Chrysler manufacture and assemble military trucks which are used against the African peoples. The U. S. also maintains the Air Force by supplying parts and there are also chemical corporations involved.

Question: What are the churches doing in this struggle for liberation?

Answer: The church has done very little to fight against Vorster's apartheid. In fact, they have been carrying segregation even before apartheid came into existence. And they have done nothing to influence their members against Vorster and they also vote for him to be in power. Some of the churches even have investments in the economy because of the massive profits from slave labor.

Question: What is the importance of the liberation of South Africa in terms of the international struggle of Black people?

Answer: We feel that the liberation of South Africa will decide the

THE HOUSE OF UMOJA

status of Black people throughout the world. That's where the Black and white bitter struggle will be fought--to decide the future of Black people throughout the world. We feel as long as South Africa is not free, that Black people wherever they are will always be humiliated and degraded. We feel that South Africa holds the key because it is the hub of the western economy and when it falls western capitalism will fall and the Pan African econ will boom.

Question: Are the young people playing an active role in the liberation struggle?

Answer: Brothers, the young people are the Vanguard of our liberation struggle. They are the ones who tasted the bitter pill of the white military. Our fighters are mainly composed of young people. They are truly the Vanguard.

Question: Is there much support given by the African states?

Answer: The African revolution does not get as much support from the African states and people as a whole, firstly because of the aggression of the european powers. For instance, the North African states-Egypt, Algiers, Libya, Saudi Arabia and Morocco--are not giving as much support as they would like to the struggle because of the creation of the war in

the Middle East. And at the same time, there are quite a few neo-colonialist African countries who are ready to sell their brothers for a few fallen crumbs from the white man's tables, such as Malawi, Ivory Coast and Ghana and a few more. It leaves the revolution on the shoulders of the few revolutionary governments in Africa, which cannot afford to supply all the needs demanded by the freedom fighters to sustain the revolution to its logical conclusion. That's why we need to involve as many as possible of our people throughout the world.

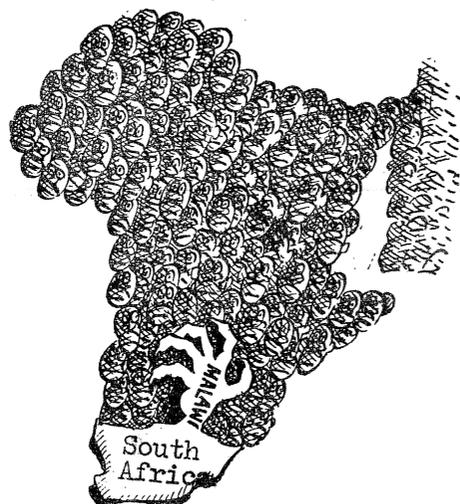
Question: Brother Masimini, what can Black people here in the U.S. do to help the struggle going on in South Africa?

Answer: The African brothers and sisters in the states can greatly influence the trend of revolution in Southern Africa. They can fully support the revolution by ways of contributions, financial assistance, material assistance (clothes, medical supplies and books) and also by taking a very serious position by publicizing the revolution the world over. Also by having brothers and sisters going over and taking films

of the revolution that is now going on to educate and inform Black people the world over. Pictures are taken only by white people.

Question: Where can the Brothers and Sisters in the states contribute if they would like?

Answer: All assistance could be sent to the PAN AFRICAN SECRETARIAT 30, Third Street, Georgetown, Guyana (South America). The Secretariat will send acknowledgement. It should be sent in the form of an international bank draft in care of the PAN AFRICAN SECRETARIAT made out to the Liberation Committee of the Organization of African Unity.



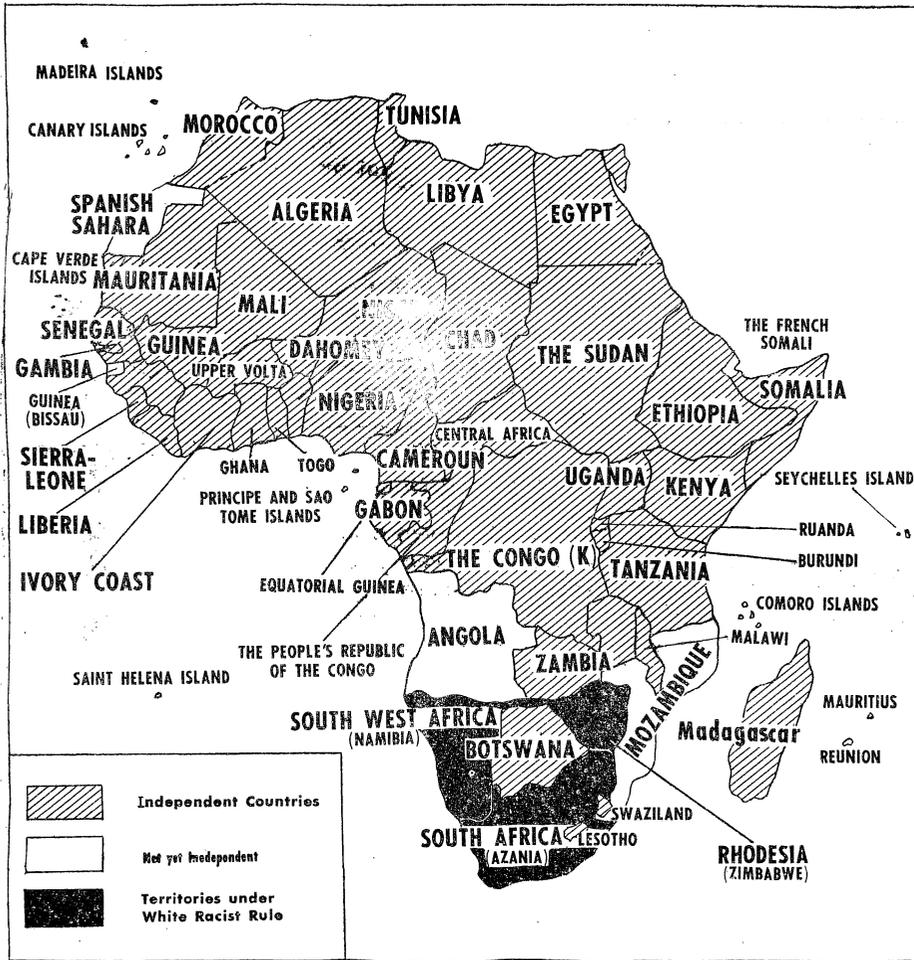
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Support AFRICAN FREEDOM FIGHTERS; Send money to help African Liberation; demonstrate May 25, May 27 for PAN AFRICAN LIBERATION.

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for more information and assistance in supporting African Liberation Day.



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