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THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT PRESS STATEMENT

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LABOUR PARTY DECISION

THE LABOUR PARTY DECISION TO JOIN RANKS WITH NATIONAL PARTY AND IMPOSE THE NEW CONSTITUTION ACT ON THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA IS CRIME WHICH SOMEDAY THEY WILL BE CALLED UPON TO ACCOUNT FOR. IT IS IN KEEPING WITH SECTION 37 OF THE NEW CONSTITUTION ACT WHICH MAINTAINS: THAT THE ACT WILL BE IMPLEMENTED WITH OR WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF EITHER INDIAN OR COLOURED PEOPLE.

THE CLAIM THAT THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT WOULD INTIMIDATE THE PEOPLE IN THE EVENT OF A REFERANDUM DOES NOT ONLY EXPOSE THE LABOUR PARTY LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN THE MASSES, IT IS ALSO AN ATTEMPT TO UNDERMINE THE PEOPLE'S CONFIDENCE IN THE LEADERSHIP OF THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT.

BUT WE OF THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT ARE CONFIDENT THAT DEMOCRATIC SOUTH AFRICANS OF ALL RACES WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR CAMPAIGN AGAINST THIS DICTATORIAL CONSTITUTION.

THE STAGE IS NOW SET FOR OPPOSITION TO FORCED MILITARY CONSCRIPTION AND OTHER OPPRESSIVE MEASURES WHICH WILL ACCOMPANY THE COERCIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT.

IT GOES WITH OUT SAYING THAT UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT WILL OPPOSE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT.

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