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# You & the Verwoerd Republic

Some of our leaders have already surrendered and are counselling us to accept the Nat. Republic with good grace.

We are told that we must play cricket and accept the result sportingly. But how can we be expected to play the game when the rules are so one sided?

## How did the Nats get their Republican majority?

The Nationlists first removed the Coloureds off the common voters' roll. Then they permitted the 18 year olds to vote. Unfortunately the U.P. had previously removed the Cape Africans from the common roll. Thus the Nats. were able to obtain a majority because of the removal of Coloureds and Africans from the common roll in the Cape.

## The way to defeat the Nat. Republic

The process must be reversed. If the struggle against Nationlist domination is left to the Europeans alone we are lost because for a long time to come the Nationlists will have a majority amongst Europeans.

Only by co-operating with the Non-European communities can we hope to defeat Verwoerd.

It is clear that the anti-nationalist forces must seek the sympathy and moral support of the rest of the Commonwealth & of the United Nations. The British Government has made it quite clear that it is no longer prepared to support Governments and people who are not prepared to make concessions to Non-Europeans. Mr. Mac Millan served notice on us in his famous winds of change speech at the beginning of this year.

Through the Monckton Commission our closest and nearest neighbours in the British Commonwealth, the Federation, has been warned that the colour bar must go quickly.

Even in Southern Rhodesia, where European rule was thought to be entrenched for generations, the Government is beginning to contemplate the removal of all discriminatory laws. The whole of Africa and the rest of the world is advancing against racial discrimination.

**We cannot be an Island unto ourselves.**

**Let us face the future with courage.**

We have nothing to fear. The Congress of Democrats, which is part of the Congress Alliance, can assure the European communities that in the future democratic South Africa there will be no oppression of one community by another.

Let us fight the Nats. boldly and with the united weapon of all the people of our land. We must start immediately. We must show the world that we Whites can co-operate with men of all races in this struggle.

Let us therefore now take the first step. Let us call a National Convention of the true representatives of every class and colour and community to plan a new future for South Africa. Let us take the lead here in Natal.

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