

But isn't their  
a real threat?

Noone can deny that the system of Govt in this country is ~~undermined~~ ~~threatened~~ by mass opposition or even in the long term revolution. The question we need to ask is why:

Focus with aspects of Apartheid

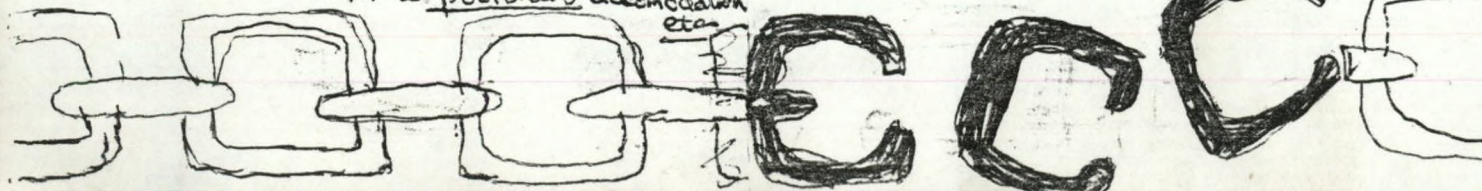
It is trite to say that Black people in this country don't need agitators to tell them they ~~are~~ receive an inferior education etc.

It would be strange if people in this situation didn't resist etc.

The govt has chosen to meet these people with SOTF, detentions etc.

This is no solution etc.

The solution lies in a political accommodation etc.



SPECIFIC INFO ABOUT THE CAMPAIGN - PEACE CALL-UP; WSP; National DAY OF MOURNING ~~etc.~~ Public Meetings etc.

(A tired, sad and drooping soldier)

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# WAR IS NOT COMPULSORY

The Nationalist Party is offering the white electorate a kind of 'final solution' to our countries problems.

The key word in their election platform is 'security'. Fortunately we have already seen what they are offering and what they mean.

Our country is at war with itself, and the government is proposing to intensify that war.

The solution to our country's problems does not lie with an increase in 'security' i.e. more troops in the townships, more press curbs, more detentions and more deaths.

The government has chosen war as the solution to our country's problems. Conscripts are the 'shock troops' of this strategy and all the people of South Africa will have to carry the costs of war.

## LET'S CHOOSE A JUST PEACE

(The chain)



THE END CONSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN SAYS:

# WAR IS NOT COMPULSORY LETS CHOOSE A JUST PEACE

Over the last few months the End Conscription Campaign has felt the sharp edge of state repression. We have had many of our leadership detained and there have been a spate of smear pamphlets about us.

We have decided not to bow down to intimidation and harrassment. Instead we are launching a national campaign, the theme of which appears above.

We are focusing our campaign at the time of the General Elections because it is at that time that whites are debating diferrent futures.

Our country is on the brink, if not already involved in a civil war. We, as representative of a significant number of conscripts believe that war should not be, and perhaps still isn't inevitable.

We have a particular concern for conscripts and during the course of this campaign we will be calling for several changes in the law that would allow the conscript to be less involved in the governments war. But we will also be calling on the Govt. and the general public to support solutions other than 'Kragdadighied'. To work for a just peace.

# WE HAVE TO PAY THE COSTS!

GOVERNMENTS SELDOM FIGHT WARS THEMSELVES. IT IS INEVEVITABLY THE POPULATION, AND IN PARTICULAR THE YOUTH WHO HAVE TO BARE THE BRUNT OF THE COST OF THE WAR.

\* In 1960 the defence budget was R44 million. In 1986 the budget was R5, 25 Billion.

\* Defence expenditure for one day could build .... etc.

\* etc. Deaths - -

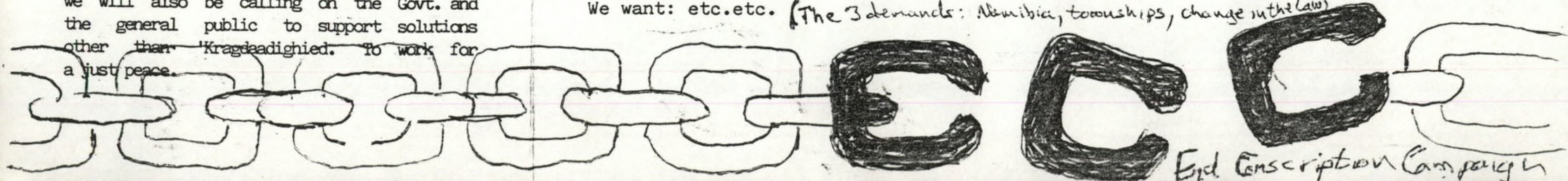
\* etc. Suicides

\* etc.

The human and economic costs that spring from the governments inability to find a political accomodation for all of South Africa's people is ruining our society and our lives.

# LET'S CHOOSE A JUST PEACE

The demands this government makes on all South Africans is unreasonable and unjust. We realise that peace isn't just going to fall out of the sky, but we believe that the way to work for peace is to strive for justice. The End Conscription Campaign, as the representative of a significant number of conscripts, calls for the right of the individual conscript to be upheld. We want: etc.etc. (The 3 demands: Namibia, townships, change in the law)







# PEACE CALL-UP

WAR IS NOT COMPULSORY  
-LET'S CHOOSE PEACE!

The ECC believes that war is no solution, and neither is it compulsory. We believe that the real solution to the South African situation is the establishment of a just peace. This campaign is a call for all of us to work together for this peace.



### \* WHAT WAR?

We live in a society where basic human rights are denied to the majority of the people. People live in such a way that their human potential and needs can never be realised. The 'unrest' is the increasingly desperate attempts by ordinary people to throw off the yoke of this universally condemned oppression.

The Nat's response is clear. Their solution lies in: press curbs, detentions, closure of schools, vigilante, 90000 SADF troops in Namibia, troops in the townships and states of emergency, to name but a few aspects. The costs of this 'defence'? - Lives and social costs immeasurable plus R30million each day in finances.

### \* WHAT PEACE?

Clearly the real solution lies in the implementation of a just political order. The unwinnable and unjust war the SADF wages is no answer to our countries' problems.

### \* THE CAMPAIGN

We are still able to choose peace. The ECC is set on motivating this alternative. The demands the state makes on us are great, but this campaign is aimed at winning the right to choose in particular areas:

- (1) The right to choose not to serve in the townships.
- (2) The right to choose not to serve in Namibia.
- (3) The right to choose to do non-military alternative service.

WE CALL YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN WORKING FOR A JUST PEACE!!

*If you choose peace we call you to join us in implementing your beliefs. Participate in constructive actions.*

*A number of projects have been proposed in which you can benefit the community and so WORK FOR A JUST PEACE.*

*Some possibilities are:*

- \* clearing ground for a children's park
- \* painting a mural
- \* decorating a creche

*The project is set for the 12th April 1987 but come first to a PLANNING MEETING for ALL concerned.*

DATE: 9th April 1987, Thurs.  
 TIME: 7.30 pm.  
 VENUE: Justice Hall, ecumenical centre.

*If you can't make it:*  
 VENUE: meet  
 BEREA CENTRE  
 TIME: 9.00 am.  
 DATE: 12th April, Sunday



*ECC Durban*

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