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STRIKE A BLOW FOR FREEDOM

10th Anniversary of June 16
South Africa Youth Day

THE 10th Anniversary of June 16th has come. In recognition of the role of youth — *the Young Lions* — as an important contingent of the struggle, the African National Congress and the rest of the democratic movement have declared this day *South Africa Youth Day*.

But *June 16th is much more than a day of the youth!* It is an important landmark in the struggle for a democratic South Africa as envisaged in the Freedom Charter: a day in whose commemoration we must all strike a decisive blow for freedom!

ON JUNE 16th, 1976:

- actions by the youth and students against 'gutter education' sparked off a general mass upsurge against the whole oppressive order.
- a new wave of resistance started to take shape, and a new epoch of struggle was ushered in.
- an entire generation learnt of the need for armed struggle.
- the new era of militant organisation, mobilisation and united action set in.

We salute the martyrs of the 1976-'77 uprising.

We lower our revolutionary banners in memory of all who have paid the supreme sacrifice, and continue to lay their lives for the cause of freedom and justice.

Their heroic sacrifice has not been in vain.



SINCE 1977 WE, THE PEOPLE, HAVE:

- made many parts of apartheid South Africa ungovernable and have begun to set up alternative organs of power.
- strengthened MK for the intensification of armed struggle, formed combat groups and self-defence units, and moved to the stage of people's war.
- heightened action on the factory-floor and strengthened workers' unity.
- launched a united offensive against the racist educational system and we have started imposing our will in the classrooms and lecture halls.
- united in action — in general strikes, rent and consumer boycotts, in building and defending people's organisations...
- deepened the all-round crisis of apartheid colonialism and widened the cracks in the racist edifice.

We must now launch a general offensive on all fronts!

The battle-cry is: Attack! Advance! Give the enemy no quarter!

ON THIS THE 10th ANNIVERSARY OF JUNE 16th:

Join the general strike June 16—18! Strike in action: in meetings, demonstrations and acts of defiance.

Burn the passbook! Bury the badge of slavery: do not rely on Botha's false promises!

Reject the modernised pass!

Spread the rent strike and consumer boycott!

Seize weapons from the enemy! Intensify armed actions! Form and activate combat groups and self-defence units!

Implement the demand for People's Education!

Fight for the immediate and unconditional release of Mandela and other political prisoners and detainees!

Render the whole of apartheid South Africa ungovernable!

Destroy Apartheid!

FROM UNGOVERNABILITY TO PEOPLE'S POWER!