

# *ALD Significance*

European and U. S. imperialism has meant the use of monies, trickery and fraud, and when those means weren't receivable, armed troops as a means of spreading their dominance throughout Africa, Asia and many other portions of the world to insure their economical existence and survival.

If we examine that situation today, Africa has become the target of this explotation by western imperialism. The reason is obvious - the African continent provides the richest mineral and natural resources deposits to be found anywhere in the world. Added to this we cannot forget another economic factor which is the sprinkling of pennies paid as wages to our brothers who mine the resources of copper, zinc, manganese, gold, silver, and diamonds. These wages constitute merely the scattered crumbs of the super profits coming out of the mines. Our motherland has become the profit-haven of Western greed and imperialism.

Our brothers and sisters in Southern Africa and Guinea-Bissau are waging a victorious battle to free themselves from the clutches of Western imperialism.

A complete understanding of the oppression that we as Africans in the Americas and the Caribbean suffer reveals that the same forces which compel us here to pay the highest rent for filthy and unsanitary housing, the highest prices for the lowest grade foods, and the same forces which implement the "last-hired, first-fired" policy (even when we have their "legitimate" credentials), the same forces which daily rob our children of their potential black consciousness and replace it with self-hatred and inferiority; these are equally the same forces which have created the apartheid policy in Southern Africa and forced our brothers to leave their families to work for the greedy and profit oriented corporations of European and U. S. imperialism. African people throughout the world suffer at the hands of the same enemy. It therefore becomes essential that all African people throughout the world unite in a strong bond of solidarity moving to destory our common enemy.

By joining the African Liberation Day march in Washington, D. C. or San Francisco on May 27th, we as African people here in the U. S. can begin showing our national unity to those brothers and sisters who have joined together throughout Southern Africa to rid their home territories of the aggressive Western imperialist. Our participation in the march will emphasize not only our support to the liberation movements in Africa but shall further make visible to U. S. and European imperialist that Africans in the U. S. are aware of the efforts which rape the African soil of her resources and have robbed African people of the right of self-determination.

Our growing consciousness can no longer allow us to forget our African brothers and condone this deplorable behavior by the world's imperialist. Our active participation in the African Liberation Day march will proclaim our mass awareness, support and solidify our committed task-total liberation of African and freedom to all African people wherever we may be!