

Congo: murder and intrigue



The military regime of Congo Kinshasa continues its repressive practices against the Congolese people. During the recent demonstrations carried out by the students of the two major Congolese universities (Levanium and Lubumbashi), the puppet army, supported by the police, opened fire against the demonstrators, killing many of them.

The official Kinshasa spokesman, well-trained in political immorality, and in an effort to justify the repression, claimed that the student demonstrations amounted to armed rebellion against the State's security, when they were mere expressions of repudiation against the dictatorship, the tool of US imperialism.

The governmental press gave a distorted

balance of six dead, a figure which was denied in an open letter by one of Joseph Mobutu's ministers. In fact, over 100 students have been killed by the repressive forces of the tyrant Mobutu.

This bloody orgy went on relentlessly. Thirty-one students were recently sentenced—twelve of them to 20 years of hard labor, and the rest, including four girls, receiving 6 months to two years in prison.

In Kinshasa similar sentences are often pronounced, with complete disregard of the elemental rules of jurisprudence. The military authorities adopt these arbitrary measures on the pretext of safeguarding the regime.

The sudden changes recently carried out in Joseph Mobutu's ruling clique undoubtedly answer to the demand of their Yankee masters, who guarantee the continuity of the regime. Thus, we are witnessing a deeper imperialist penetration in Congo.

Cyrille Adoula, former Prime Minister and faithful lackey of the White House, has become the chief of the Congolese puppet regime, diplomacy replacing Justin Bomboko, while the Military Attaché of Mobutu's embassy in Washington has been appointed Army Chief of Staff.

The Executive Secretariat of OSPAAAL denounces the intensification of the US imperialist penetration in this area of the African continent and expresses its outraged protest against the brutal and repressive practices against the Congolese people.

Likewise, the Executive Secretariat of OSPAAAL is fully confident that the Congolese people, led by the National Council for Liberation, will be able to further the armed struggle, the only consistent road, so as to win back its independence from neocolonialist and imperialist domination.