

SOUTH AFRICA

The Seventh Congress of the Communist Party of India sends its warm, fraternal greetings to the brave, militant fighters for freedom in South Africa. These gallant champions of liberty are battering down the last bastions of colonialism and racialism in conditions of savage repression and imperialist brutality. The whole heart and conscience of mankind applauds and supports their deeds of unparalleled heroism. It bows its head in homage to those who have laid down their lives in this sacred cause.

It notes with pride that India was the first country to break all diplomatic and trade relations with the racial fascist government of South Africa. The recent successful tour of our country of J. B. Marks and Dr. Yusuf Dadoo, outstanding leaders of the African National Congress, which was organized by the Indian Association for Afro-Asian Solidarity, and the large purses that were presented to them were manifestations of India's support for their cause. It welcomes the decision of the African National Congress to set up an office in Delhi in collaboration with the Indian Association for Afro-Asian Solidarity and the granting to it of all necessary facilities by the Government of India.

The hateful apartheid regime in South Africa would have collapsed under the hammer blows of the popular movement were it not for the economic and military aid extended to it by the imperialist governments of the United States of America and United Kingdom. It is essential that the Government of India joins all socialist and progressive Afro-Asian states in condemning this shameful support to South Africa and compelling them to give it up.