

Issue of Afrikan disenfranchisement hidden by rhetoric

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We are all familiar with the ongoing killings between the IRA and United Kingdom. But it has never been portrayed as "white-against-white". The intra-Soviet conflicts are not portrayed as "white-against-white", nor as "Estonians Against Russians Tribal Rivalry". The confrontation between Wells and Mulroney over Meech Lake has never been portrayed as evidence of the inability of the "white" people to rule themselves.

So what is this nonsense about "black-against-black" in apartheid South Africa or in North American ghettos?

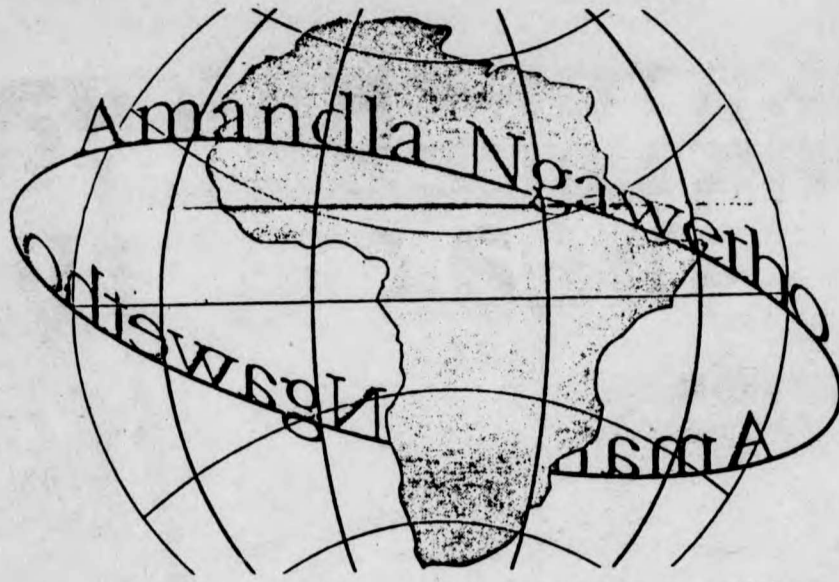
The Berlin Conference used similar "black-on black" or "African Tribal Rivalry" arguments in a failed attempt to jus-

force a brother to kill a brother for 30 pieces of silver.

Clearly, "black on black" is a heinous and violent scheme, seeking to impose a sense of impotence and guilt, so the racist capitalist gods of money and their mercenary eunuchs can continue to plunge their blooded fangs more deeply into the vitality and strength of the Afrikan nation.

This natural logic of the scientific-racist-capitalist ideology is the ultimate hate literature and is too dangerous to go unchallenged. Its goal is to subjugate in order to retard our creative powers by destroying our integrity as a people, especially in terms of how we perceive each other.

It is also meant to give us something to keep busy with, if we cannot keep quiet. This way



free of this myth and loudly speaks against the principal enemy and its agents in our midst.

These reactionaries see the carrot dangling in front of their eyes and wish we were not rock-

meaning of "black-against-black". The unstated purpose is to make us, the victims of oppression, accept the idea that internal conflicts are symptoms of an inherent inability to govern ourselves. The imperialists want us to accept that they are the only ones capable of solving problems. So they predominantly single out our problems, stereotype them and treat them as signs of inferiority. And since they control education and mass information technology, we hardly obtain the chance to refute publicly these stereotypes and misinformation.

A good example is the World Vision Television Program which constantly flashes images of Afrikan children digging in the garbage dump for food. The fact that we can also take pictures of full grown men and women in Toronto eating from the garbage at Yonge and Queen Streets, is apparently not an issue. The foodbanks and unannounced violence within and between the so-called well-to-do families are also not an issue. So our "Good Samaritans" flock into the so-called "Third World", behaving as if they have no problems at home, and, therefore, wish only to spread their humanism to those "unfortunate helpless suffering" peoples.

How many times do we "Black" residents call in protection from the very police forces which harass and brutally suppress us? "Black" leaders are forced to call in apartheid forces to put down violence in the townships and ghettos - the very violence stirred up and paid for by the same violent racist state.

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tify colonial occupation of Afrika by European imperialist hyenas. The same argument is today used to legitimize neocolonialism. Recently, the "white" settlers employed the same tactic in their desperate attempt to stall the spirit of Mau Mau raging against apartheid. The myth will still be used in attempt to squelch the Afrikan Consciousness rising against violent forces of cultural deprivation, that

the violent nature of the imperialist state escapes our critical scrutiny.

Some members of our community are already spending too much time begging us to be "orderly" so we are not seen (apparently by some invisible supreme eyes) as a people unable to behave ourselves. Already some people feel embarrassed every time the revolutionary section breaks


ing the Titanic. They say we are giving "Black" people a bad name. They accept without question that it is evil to engage in heated political debates.

They begin to speak as if the way to "bridge the gap" is to shut-up, walk around timidly, and pretend we have no problems to solve. They think in terms of permanent job begging, hat in hand, as if they themselves could never dream




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