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## "Putting the horse before the cart"

## Henderson report goes too far, says COU

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According to Macdonald, the report was sent by COU back to the sub-committee because "there was some confusion over several of the recommendations".

Though Macdonald maintained that the report was still a working paper designed to test public reaction, it is expected that it will carry a heavy influence among government officials in the

Though the recommendations of the COU report follow suit with those of the Henderson report, Macdonald explained that the committee felt that the Henderson recommendations had carried things too far.

"The Henderson recommendation for a 65 per cent increase for tuition fees had been taken out of context", he maintained. "I think the government was putting the cart before the horse; there are many other considerations to make before increasing tuition fees"

Paul Johnson, spokesman for the Ontario Federation of Students told Excalibur that the report will have strong implications for ac-"accesibility to higher education".

Macdonald agreed that any increase in tuition fees will be unfair to lower-income families, "but then we are faced with a situation where the government can't cough up enough money to fund universities adequately," he explained. "Now we have to ask the student to help carry the financial bur-

Other members of the committee were U. of T. president John Evans and senior officials from Western, Waterloo, MacMaster, Carleton and Laurentian rector Roger Guidon. universities. The committee was chaired by University of Ottawa final draft report in the spring.

COU is expected to make its

## Western press distorts Angolan conflict, Saul

By ZAHIR ANTIA

In a forum sponsored by CYSF and the Toronto Committee for the Liberation of Southern African countries, Marxist writer and York professor John Saul spoke last Wednesday on the current situation in Angola before about 100 people.

Saul, declaring from the outset his unequivocal support for the struggle of the Angolan people against the forces of imperialism, provided weighty evidence from

several authoritative sources to back his position.

He claimed that the western news media has distorted the situation, presenting it as a greatpower conflict, whereas in fact "Societ aid to the MPLA is a second-order phenomenon".

The two tribal-based groups, FNLA and UNITA, which have openly admitted to receiving massive aid from South Africa, the USA, France, and other imperialist powers, are in fact not liberation groups at all, according to Saul. Far from leading the struggle against the Portuguese, they have consistently compromised it.

The Canadian Far Eastern Newsletter was quoted saying that FNLA leader Holden Roberto had actually been on the CIA payroll for 10 years, at \$10,000 per year.

MPLA, on the other hand, has been in the vanguard of the struggle since the 1950s and has been a force for social revolution.

For all the surface complexities of the situation, Saul stated, the question of which side to support boils down, in the final analysis, to the stark decision of being for or against imperialism.

While refraining from a general criticism of China, Saul expressed concern over Chinese aid to FNLA and its propagandistic attacks upon "Soviet social imperialism" in the Angolan context. He considered these to be evidence of a mistaken extension by China of its dispute with the USSR to Angola, and that the interests of the Angolan people were being sacrificed.

Speaking of recent military victories by MPLA and the humiliating route of South African forces, Saul expressed the view that the myth of South African invincibility had been shattered. This, he felt, would have profound repercussions throughout the continent.

Canada's role in Angola, Saul emphasized, has been quite substantial. He quoted a TCLSAC leaflet: "Canada, too, seems to be playing its accustomed role of quiet complicity . . . Diplomatically, it is prepared to run America's errands . . . Economically, it supports America's clients." There has been a forty-fold increase over the last year, he observed, in Canadian trade with Zaire, which supports FNLA. Canada is also training Zairean

Saul responded with detailed evidence to some attacks from the audience upon his position of support to MPLA, but his patience was clearly wearing thin with Marxists whose views, in his opinion, objectively led them to abstain from a life-and-death struggle between the Angolan pepole and world imperialism.

The audience passed by an overwhelming majority a resolution calling upon the Canadian government to recognize the People's Republic of Angola.

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