### Azanian (South African) Women's Day

PAC UK Branch



Boipatong, June 20th 1992: Injured youth at 10,000 strong PAC-led rally protesting the murder of over 40 African people by the South African security forces. Police opened fire on the crowd after de Klerk was chased out of Boipatong.

# REMEMBER BOIPATONG! Stop the Genocide against the African family

Sunday August 9th 1992 2 -6pm

Black Cultural Centre, St Paul's Court, Gliddon Road, London W14 (Nearest tube Barons Court – Piccadilly line)

Light snacks & refreshments. Creche available – Bring the family

#### INVITED SPEAKERS:

Black Consciousness Movement of Azania, African National Congress All African Peoples Revolutionary Party, Pan African Congress Movement City of London Anti-Apartheid Group, Revolutionary Communist Group ACSHO, Labour Party Black Sections

**CULTURAL ARTISTS** 

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August 9th 1956: more than 20,000 women march on the Houses of Parliament in Pretoria, protesting the extension of pass-books to African women.

August 9th 1992 is the 35th anniversary of Azanian/South African Women's Day. The 20,000 strong march on August 9th 1956 was a demonstration against the inhumanity of Apartheid settler-colonialism. In particular, the women were protesting against the pass laws which restricted African women and men's freedom of movement in their own country. The yearly commemoration of this historic event raises worldwide consciousness about the contribution of African women to the struggle for national liberation and self-determination.

#### **NOTHING CHANGED - REMEMBER BOIPATONG!**

Since De Klerk came to power in September 1989, more African people have been murdered than in the previous 41 years of National Party rule. The 'positive changes in South Africa' that De Klerk and his allies speak of include the death of 15 African people every day. The massacre of over 40 people on June 17th 1992 at Boipatong – an African township whose name means 'place of refuge' – is not an extraordinary event in the 'New South Africa'. Massacres (incidents where more than 25 people are killed) are commonplace in settler-colonial South Africa. In the last 2 years there have been 49 such events with a total loss of the lives of 1,250 African women, men and children.

Whilst regime-appointed commissions of inquiry 'investigate' the violence, African families are daily slaughtered in their homes. Whilst there is supposed to be a National 'Peace' Accord in place, hit squads have assassination over 200 people. Right wing group 'legally' armed to the teeth and protected by Apartheid laws have murdered over 200 Africans. Every month, over 260 African people die. This is nothing short of a well-orchestrated genocide on the African people of Azania.

The contradictions the African people have among themselves are secondary; the primary contradiction is with the 340-year-old settler-colonial regime.

#### FORWARD TO THE BUILDING OF THE PATRIOTIC UNITED FRONT

The PAC continues its call for a democratically elected Constituent Assembly in a unitary state – the only mechanism that can usher in one-person one-vote in our beleaguered land. We have nothing against negotiations, but as the PAC Secretary General Benny Alexander recently put it: 'We will not stop the war to negotiate. We will negotiate to stop the war.'

## PEACE AMONG THE AFRICANS WAR AGAINST THE ENEMY! Izwe Lethu!

**PAN AFRICANIST CONGRESS OF AZANIA**