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RECONSTITUTE THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF AUSTRALIA ON THE BASIS OF MARXISM-LENINISM-MAOISM!

Refugee Tragedy:

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Three hundred and fifty three DESPERATE REFUGEES DROWNED. THE REFUGEES, MOSTLY FROM IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN, and many women and children drowned in their bid to come to Australia. Only 40 survived. The politicians, started a slanging match, "Who is to blame?" The yellow press spread the fire, by saying we are all to blame, especially the refugees who will get into leaking boats to come to Australia; and the "middle men" who take money from the refugees for a place on a boat from Indonesia, and Indonesia who allows them to come...blah blah...The Australian government, backed up by the Opposition has passed legislation to forbid the refugees landing. The Government has been locking up the refugees for years in places little better than concentration camps,

passed legislation to jail Australian for five years and fine them thousands of dollars if they give asylum to any refugee lucky enough to escape through the razor wire. The Government has done a number of deals with Island Nations in the S.W. Pacific for the refugees to be 'processed' away from Australia's shores. Aust. is picking up the bill already thought to be more than 200 million. According to news from a meeting of these SW Pacific nations, the staff employed by these foreign camp companies, are in revolt...because a bottle of water in Nauru costs \$5. The refugees are 10% of the total population of Nauru. The conditions in the SW Pacific nations show that their governments are suffering from the world wide economic depression and since the attack in the USA, the tourist industry, on which they relied, is in a state of collapse. "BIG Brother" Australia is now footing the bill. The Australian ruling class, from which the politicians take their orders, don't want

thousands of refugees, because the Australian economy is in a similar plight. Thousands of refugees would add to the unemployed and put pressure on the fragile education and health systems. The refugees from Iraq and Afghanistan wouldn't be here if the Imperialists, including Australia, hadn't bombed both countries. We repeat, both political parties, Liberal and Labor went down to the wharf to wave the war ships and the troops goodbye. The government and the Opposition claim the refugee legislation is supported by 70% of the people. It doesn't look that way when you see the numbers turning out on the streets to oppose the war and the refugee legislation. Australia has joined the US campaign on "terrorism" The ships and the troops have

gone, the politicians are campaigning like crazy to be re-elected, the democratic right of free speech is disappearing. Access to information is restricted; a few prominent people have publicly criticised the war and have been forced to apologize; the boxer A Mundine has been stripped of his boxing rating by the world body and, a mosque has been burned to the ground and other places and people belonging to Islam have been abused and assaulted. Workers rights are being eroded and the forth coming Royal Commission into the Building Industry, is a Witch hunt.

These actions are very dangerous. The first act of the bourgeois state in time of war, is to suppress the home front.

We call on the people to unite to oppose the war led by the USA. Unite and oppose the terrible crimes of the imperialists..... Fight for Socialism and Communism and build a world without oppressors.

Imperialists planning to invade Afghanistan remember a warning written in the late 1800's by the colonialist British poet Rudyard Kipling :

"When you're wounded and left on Afghanistan's plains.

And the women come out to cut up what remains,

Jest roll to your rifle and blow out your brains

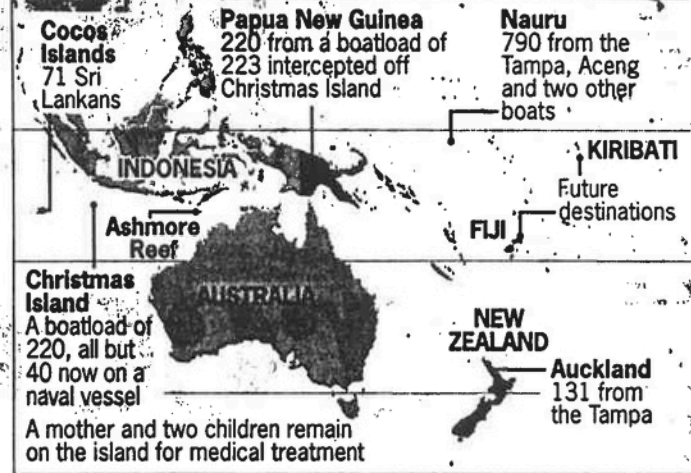
An' go to your Gawd like a soldier".

STOP THE WAR.
SAVE THE MILLIONS
OF MEN, WOMEN
AND CHILDREN
FLEEING FOR THEIR
LIVES AND YANKEE
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