## Socialist Challenge

## ENDBRITAINS RAGISTIANS



Above: Mary Ditta. Right: Kamran [9], Saima [6] and Imram [7], the brothers and sister Mary has never met.



## They're keeping these brothers and sisters apart

THIS is Mary Ditta. She is three years old and lives with her parents in Rochdale. Mary has two brothers and a sister. But she has never met them. The reason? Britain's racist immigration laws!

Their mother Anwara was born in Britain in 1954. When she was nine she went to live in Pakistan, where she later married and had her first three children. In 1975 she returned to Britain with her husband. Once they had settled they sent for the children.

It was at this point the racist immigration service

stepped in — we do not believe they are your children they told Anwara. Despite the evidence of birth certificates, photographs, and signed statements of relatives, Mary's brothers and sister were refused admission in 1978.

The Ditta's have appealed, but when Anwara last phoned the Home Office she was told not to ring back until 1980 or 1981. Her husband is having to work 7 days a week to send money to his 60 year old mother who is looking after the children.

This is why Mary, born after the Dittas settled in Britain, has not met her brothers and sisters. There are thousands more like her. It is a scandal, but in racist Britain there is little public outcry.

The Tory's new proposals will strengthen these racist laws. That is why thousands of black and white anti-racists will march this weekend — for Mary and the thousands like her. March to say: END THESE RACIST LAWS.

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## REPEALTHE 971 IMMIGRATION ACT

Demonstrate Sunday 25 November Assemble 12 noon Speakers Corner. Hyde Park. March to Trafalgar Sq.