THREATENED WITH DEPORTION BY THE HOME OFFICE AND STARVATION BY THE DHSS

DEFEND THE KHAN FAMILY & MANJIT & PALBINDER KAUR DEMONSTRATION

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STARVED INTO REPATRIATION

Over the last few years people have begun to fight back against the threat of deportation by the Home Office. The government has now thought of a new tactic to stop this — by starving people so they are forced to leave. The DHSS is working along-side the Home Office to make sure people leave by refusing them all benefits. This is what is happening in the case of the Khan Family and Maniit and Palbinder Kaur.

THE KHAN FAMILY

Parveen and Shaukat Khan, along with their children Imran and Irfan have been under threat of removal for nearly a year. Shaukat did enter this country 'illegally'. However this was in 1972 before the present Immigration Act was even in force. He was aged 13 at the time and ignorant of his situation. Parveen came in 1980 — and was also ignorant of this. When Shaukat discov-

ered the true situation he applied to the Home Office for a 'pardon'. Instead they declared her to be here illegally as well — by failing to disclose a 'material fact' of which she had no knowledge (that is Shaukat's immigration history). Because of the pressure, Shaukat has gone into hiding leaving Parveen on her own with 2 children.

MANJIT AND PALBINDER

Manjit came here in 1979 to join Santokh Singh whom she had married in India. After a few months she had to leave home with her daughter Palbinder because of family problems. She went to live in the Asian womens refuge. The Home Office have used the family divisions as an excuse to try and deport them all. They say Santokh is here illegally and, therefore, Manjit is here illegally. We say they should both stay.

FORCED REPATRIATION OF CHILDREN

Imran, Irfan and Palbinder were all born here. They are UK citizens and cannot be forcibly deported, However the Home Office knows that no parent would leave their children on their own particularly as they are all under 3. This amounts to forced repatriation.

THE ROLE OF THE DHSS

Parveen and Manjit are now single mothers living on their own with children. The DHSS has not only refused them supplementary benefit. It has also refused them child benefit — even though the children were born here. In Manjit's case it was actually the DHSS who informed the Home Office about her status. After a long fight for Parveen the DHSS agreed to give her father-in-law some money for the children but none for herself.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

- 1) Come to the Demonstration on October 30th. Ask organisations to sponsor it and come with banners.
- 2) Write to Gerald Kaufman MP and to your own MP at the House of Commons, London asking them to act. Send copies to William Whitelaw, Queen Anne's Gate, Whitehall, London. and Norman Fowler, DHSS, Alexandra House, Elephant and Castle, London.
- Raise the matter in your Trades Union, Local Labour Party, Women's Group etc etc We can provide Speakers / Leaflets / Petitions.
- 4) Give money to the 'Khan and Kaur Families Defence Campaign'. This is essential to help maintain the families.

NATIONAL DEMONSTRATION & RALLY • OCTOBER 30th MANCHESTER • START 1-30pm Corner of Moss Lane East and Princess Road In Moss Side

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