

SHEFFIELD DEFENCE CAMPAIGN

ALL BLACK PEOPLE FACE THE CONSTANT THREAT OF DEPORTATION AND RACIST ATTACK. 250 black people are deported every month. Consecutive governments have passed racist Immigration and Nationality legislation which has led to the forcible deportation of black people and to the division of families. Race checks are being enforced in hospitals, schools, housing departments and dole offices. The state is using these methods to deny the rights, and control the lives of black people in this country.

Also we are being denied the right to defend ourselves when attacked in our homes or on the streets. The racist police do not take such attacks seriously - often encouraging them by arresting the black people who have been attacked! And past experience has shown that black people are not safe from brutality in police hands.

Black women face the double oppression of racism and sexism. Under the Nationality and Immigration laws black women are denied all individual rights, their status is entirely dependent on men. Black women are often in the front line of state racism, (particularly through child-care, in hospitals, schools and also immigration interogation), and in the front line of racist attacks when alone at home.

THE ONLY WAY TO GUARANTEE A FUTURE FOR BLACK PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTRY IS TO FIGHT BACK!

PUBLIC MEETING

VENUE: THE HUB
Sharrow Lane
Sheffield 11

DATE : Sunday 9th Sept

TIME : 2:00pm

MANJIT KAUR

was faced with the threat of immediate deportation when she left her violent husband to live in an Asian Women's Refuge, - even though her 2½ year old daughter, Palbinder, is a British citizen. Manjit's right to stay in this country is completely dependent on the continuation of her marriage.

Passport checks revealed that Manjit's marriage had broken down, and as a black woman she has no nationality status in her own right. This means that black women cannot even leave a violent husband for fear of deportation and thus separation from children and friends.

IQBAL BEGUM

killed her husband when protecting herself and her children from him. She speaks no English, yet was given no interpreter when on trial for murder'. The trial lasted for 10 minutes, Iqbal was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Iqbal is suffering this injustice because she is a black woman.

NEWHAM 7

In April there was a series of attacks on Asian people in Newham(London) by white racist thugs. When Asian youths fought back, seven of them were arrested and charged with affray and conspiracy to cause criminal damage.

The only crime committed by these youths was that of defending their community against racist attacks. None of the white racist attackers were arrested.

KARAMJIT SINGH

and four other black youths were imprisoned for arson after the 1981 riots. Although Karamjit and the others served their sentences, they also received notice from the Home Office that they were liable to be deported, - that is, they may face a second sentence of deportation.

Karamjit Singh now faces deportation this September. The Home Office is linking deportation with criminalisation.

THIS THREATENS ALL BLACK PEOPLE WHO RESORT TO SELF-DEFENCE.