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"A massive campaign is needed not only in Newham but throughout the country to defend the Newham Seven, Asian youths from East London who face serious charges when they go on trial this September.

Let us be perfectly clear. What is at stake is not just the liberty and well being of these seven brave men. What is on line is the liberty and well being, indeed the life of every single Asian in the country. When racist thugs terrorise our community; when our children are afraid to go to school; when we are afraid to go out to do the shopping; when our homes are vandalised and set on fire; and when the powers that be do not lift a finger to defend us there is only one thing that stands between us and the fate of Jews in Nazi Germany. That is the courage of a growing number of young people who are determined to fight back; who are determined to establish not merely our right to live here, but our right to live here with dignity and peace.

White racist society cannot abide the militant and courageous fightback of our youths and has tried to criminalise it by every possible means. This attempted criminalisation failed in the trials of the Bradford 12 and the Newham 8, not least because the community rallied to defend its defenders. But as we approach another test case, we must not assume that our enemies have learnt lessons from their defeats. We must organise as never before to defend the Newham Seven."

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