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British colonialism in India became traitors while those who supported British colonialists became "patriots". This is a real exposure of the ideology and thinking of these individuals. They constantly talk about selling out the basic interests of our community to the ruling class and it is for this reason that those who oppose the ruling class, e.g. the communists of the Hindustani Ghadar Party (Marxist-Leninist) are hated by these individuals. To present our community as a community of toadies is to give a really bad name not only to our community now, but it is a slur on all the patriots who fought for years to defend the community in the past. It is a crude attempt to pettyfy the ugly face of traitor Bela Singh and encourage more to follow his ugly path.

#### c. NDP Hacks, Certain Professionals and Certain Businessmen Welcome Mrs. Gandhi

Mrs. Indira Gandhi, the Prime Minister of the Government of the big landlords and big capitalists of India, is a murderer and an assassin of the workers and oppressed people of India. During her current regime, and the regime of her father, thousands of Indian people became the target of bullets and bayonets and thousands are now incarcerated in jails. Indian workers, peasants and intellectuals in their millions are facing impoverishment and extreme hardship. This evil person was welcomed by the NDP hacks, certain businessmen and certain professionals. They did not pay her a courtesy welcome but rather a welcome to pettyfy her image, and sanction support for her policies. They went to the extent of denouncing members of the IWM as "traitors" and went out of their way to protect this murderer. A list has come into our hands, approved by the police, which contains names of volunteers who offered their services to attack the IWM comrades who were organizing opposition to this assassin, Parivartan, their mouthpiece, in its issues of June 6, June 22 and July 6, made apologies for Mrs. Gandhi, called upon our people to become toadies and finally denounced IWM as "traitors". Please read the following quotations:

Parivartan, June 6, 1973, under the heading "To Greet or not to Greet": "Yet is Indira to blame for all the maladies? India is a democracy, still a best system in spite of its faults. Are not the voters just as guilty? Is there an alternative? Is there another Party to lead the country?" Here is a toady desperately trying to get currency for Mrs. Gandhi. While the entire army, police, civil service, courts and the parliament are controlled by the big capitalists and landlords, this toady is talking about "democracy" and finding faults with the "voters". Only a hardened toady will fail to see how the state of the capitalists and landlords is used against the people and how any genuine opposition is opposed by the armed organs of the state. There is no such thing as democracy in India and thousands who die in demonstrations are a witness that it is a fascist dictatorship. Later in the same article, this toady turns from pettyfying Mrs. Gandhi to threatening people: "We should welcome Indira as East Indian Canadian citizens who naturally have deep attachment with India as their country of origin. We have to make sure that relations between India and Canada are strong" and not to welcome her means to "suffer". So the people should prostrate themselves in front of reactionaries in fear of "suffering"!

Another disgusting editorial is carried in the June 22 issue under the heading "Indians of Vancouver, Let Us Show Them". This is an editorial of the toadies addressed to all the people to show that they are "loyal" to murderer and assassin Mrs. Gandhi: "The public is asked to co-operate 100% with these volunteers... On your behalf your committee wants to prove that we can manage our own affairs. You will be watched all over Canada as the event is going to be covered by national and international press. Let there be no slur on your name — Your Honour is involved!" What a disgusting

performance! Toadies calling prostrating in front of Killers as "Honour" and desperately appealing to people to cooperate with these toadies.

Finally, on July 6, 1973, Parivartan came out with its hatred of revolutionaries and love for its masters by writing in an editorial "Demonstrating is a democratic right of any group or individual... But Parivartan feels that any members of the community when they demonstrated in the vicinity of the temple, are doing a disservice and harm to the image of the community. It does not make sense when a community invites a guest to its premises and some members of the same community shout insults at him or her. Although one may condemn their shortsightedness. They demonstrated at the airport and again at the Queen Elizabeth Theatre but they kept away from the temple. But, unfortunately we cannot say the same thing about the Naxalites. One can conclude that they do not give a damn about the welfare and image of the community. The real traitors have shown their colours." This entire hysterical and nauseating breast-beating by the toadies about "image of the community", "welfare", etc. clearly shows their ugly features and how they prostrate in front of murderers and assassins in order to prop them up. The "image" of the community is very much enhanced when one prominent doctor is physically assaulting another member of our community or when 200 people fight in front of the Guru Granth Sahib, or when the entire community can be slandered by the capitalists ruling class and racially discriminated against and no toady so much as raises his eyebrows.

IWM comrades are very proud to belong to the category of those who oppose the reactionary "rulers" and are very proud to be on the side of those who laid down their lives fighting for our people in India and here, and we are very proud to support those who are fighting for armed agrarian revolution in India and against the foreign imperialists and the social-imperialists. We say to these toadies: **It Is You Who Bring a Really Bad Name to Our Community. It Is You Who Are the Real Traitors**

#### d. A Doctor Creates Ugly Scenes on September 23, 1973

NDP hacks, certain businessmen and certain professionals organized a meeting at the Gurudwara on September 23, 1973 to discuss the establishment of the Community Centre. They attempted to push the resolution through by imposing a deadline on the decision, saying that the BC Government would give a grant to build a community centre if the resolution is passed before October 1, 1973. One of the prominent members of this group is a doctor who went up to the stage and deliberately addressed some people of our community as "enemies", and attempted to provoke a fight and a division in the community. IWM comrades and others resolutely denounced this evil attempt of his. Not satisfied with brawling in the meeting, he went out of the meeting place and threatened one of the members of the IWM and created an extremely ugly scene there. This IWM comrade was talking about the bad activities of this doctor to another individual when this doctor arrogantly jumped up and menacingly remarked: "I am the doctor, what do you want?", thus creating an extremely ugly scene.

All these events show that it is these NDP hacks, certain businessmen and certain professionals who are responsible for creating ugly scenes, dividing the people and giving a really bad name to our community.

#### 3. What Is the Record of these NDP Hacks, Certain Businessmen and Certain Professionals in Fighting Racial Discrimination and Repression of Our People?

Their record can be summed up in the words of a certain

businessman who was head of the Welfare Association in the summer of 1971 at the time when racists attacked our people in Quesnel. He publicly declared that there was no racial discrimination against our people. The current head of the Welfare Association, also a businessman, (both are life insurance agents among other things) just recently declared that there was no racism, there was merely vandalism. This is the sum total of the record of these individuals in fighting racism. While the Hindustani Ghadar Party (Marxist-Leninist) and IWM comrades have been fighting since June 1968 against racism, these worthies have been running propaganda that there is no racism. How can these individuals fight racism when their own interests are served by prostrating themselves in front of the racists. How else can one explain that these individuals are quick in finding good points in the capitalist government and bad points in the hard working people.

#### 4. Proposals of Indian Workers Movement

IWM comrades invited Comrade Hardial Bains to come to Vancouver in October in order to oppose the splitting and dividing activities of these NDP hacks, certain businessmen and certain professionals, and to unite the people. Comrade Bains came to Vancouver and began the work of uniting our people at once. He contacted various groups and individuals including the NDP hacks, certain businessmen and certain professionals and proposed to their representatives that our people should not fight one another, but instead, we should unite to fight our enemies. He proposed that past events that are dividing us should be forgotten, and an atmosphere of goodwill should be created in the community, and all those who are genuinely in favour of uniting our people should sit together and resolve our differences. His proposals were extremely well received by various individuals, especially the Sikh people who were most eager to settle the issues amicably. Certain individuals from the Sikh faith even went as far as proposing that Gurudwara should become a centre of the Ghadar Party (which it was in the past) and that we should all unite and fight common enemies. But the success with others was limited. Others who sat with Comrade Bains, even agreed that differences should be left aside and that we should unite but later opposed following the decisions in practice. These individuals are part of the ruling party in BC and control quite a few organizations in the community. They also have access to certain radio programmes and newspapers. In other words, they are quite inflated with their "power" and they look at IWM comrades as mere workers, having no influence with the capitalists. As a result, the negotiations with them did not give rise to concrete results. One of the decisions arrived at during the negotiations was that before any public gathering is organized we should consult one another. They deliberately went against this decision and called the meeting of the Welfare Association behind the backs of the IWM comrades and others.

Comrade Bains has advocated that we should unite as far as is possible and that the task of uniting our people is more important than any of the sectional and sectarian interests. IWM comrades fully agree with this and will do everything to achieve unity. Some people ask: if we wish to unite, then why do we keep exposing the NDP hacks, certain businessmen and certain professionals? The answer to this is simple: We want to unite, but we won't declare ceasefire unilaterally when others are carrying on their vicious propaganda barrages against us. They have sunk so low as to accuse our IWM comrades of being "troublemakers" etc., and we cannot stop going to our people and exposing them so long as they keep on attacking and maligning us. What we can do is to still strive to create an atmosphere of goodwill. We publicly extend our hand of friendship and solidarity with these individuals if they give up attacking us and

unite. We are for unity but not at the cost of liquidating our struggle. Justice loving people in our community should put pressure on these people and persuade them to desist from this arrogant path of using political power, time on radio and in the newspapers, against our people. Times do change. Revolution is advancing and great upheavals are taking place on this globe. The era of workers and oppressed people is fast approaching. In that era, we will also have political power but that power will be used to serve our people. There will be no place for arrogant, politically power-hungry and self-seeking individuals then. They should look into this matter seriously right now and take the road of justice and serving the people.

IWM comrades are making the following concrete proposals to all our people as the basis of unity:

#### Support the Five Point Programme of the Indian Workers Movement

1. Unite on the basis of opposing racist attacks on our people. Oppose racial discrimination in jobs, housing, education and in immigration laws. Support the East Indian Defence Committee established at a mass meeting on November 24, 1973.

2. Unite on the basis of creating a vigorous social and cultural atmosphere in the community by establishing a Community Centre run jointly by the East Indian Defence Committee, Khalsa Diwan Society, the Welfare Association and other organizations existing in our community.

3. Strengthen the Khalsa Diwan Society as the association of Sikhs who are devotees of the Sikh religion. The Gurudwara should belong to them. Ghadar Party should be given facilities there in order to carry on the task of uniting our people and supporting revolutionary changes in India.

4. The East Indian Citizens Welfare Improvement Association should be strengthened by taking it away from those who wish to use it as an organization for their own party politics or personal interests. People from all parts of India resident in Vancouver should be encouraged to unite under this organization.

5. All conflicts in the community should be settled through mutual consultation, without resorting to legalisms. Our people should acknowledge each other's position in the community and should not battle one another, nor give special status or significance to outsiders to our community. All voting in all organizations should be based on policy and not on personalities. IWM comrades are very eager to develop this process of mutual consultation and propose that all sections, groups and individuals, use the East Indian Defence Committee as a vehicle to promote unity against our common enemies.

Lastly, we would like to categorically state that IWM is not permanently against anyone, and that we are only seeking unity of justice loving people of India resident in Vancouver, BC, and elsewhere. Our people should support justice, and oppose those who are causing divisions on the basis of self-interest. IWM fully supports the traditional way of elections in the Gurudwara the same way we support decisions based on mutual consultation and commonness of aims and mutual trust in the Welfare Association.

Come forward to support us in the sacred cause of uniting our people. Let no interest hinder your participation. Support our five-point programme! Our comrades will be visiting you at your homes. Please engage in discussion and present your point of view to them. We have deep respect for the views of our people.

**LONG LIVE OUR PEOPLE!**