

STATEMENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE UNION COMMITTEE
OF NEGRO WORKERS OF THE R.I.L.U.

ON

FRENCH SLAUGHTERING IN EQUATORIAL AFRICA

The barbarous system of colonial exploitation, slavery and oppression is still flourishing in its most brutal form. Forced labor and other forms of oppression by French imperialists in Equatorial Africa has killed off native railroad workers at the rate of tens of thousands and swept away whole sections of the native population. While the International Labor Office at Geneva, in the name of civilisation, is supposed to be investigating the conditions of forced labor among the natives, this barbarous oppression growing out of the conditions of forced labor is going on without any action on their part. During a decade the population has been reduced by six millions. For the last several months native workers have been in open revolt against French imperialist oppression. At this moment French Imperialism is crushing native workers, and carrying "civilisation" into Africa at the point of the bayonet. This raping of Africa, the bathing of the struggles of the workers in their own blood and the extermination of whole sections of the population in order that imperialism may flourish is shrouded in silence and secrecy. Only fragmentary bits of news leak out through the strictest censorship about this uprising and the consequent slaughterings by the French Imperialists. This censorship and secrecy has as its object the hiding of the barbarism of the French Imperialists.

Brothers and Workers of the World! Protest in world wide unison against the slaughtering of our African brothers and fellow workers! Unmask the Impositors!

The International Trade Union Committee of Negro Workers of the R.I.L.U. calls upon the working class movement to protest and rally to the support of the African Workers.

We appeal to the French Workers to send a Workers' Delegation, including Negro Workers, to investigate this blood curdling oppression of French Imperialism.

World Revolutionary Movement: Mobilise the Masses! Unmask the French Imperialist Cut-Throats!

With our African Brothers and Fellow Workers we struggle against French Imperialism and against World Imperialism.

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