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Urhulumente okhoyo usenkathazweni. Jikelele apha emhlab' uhlangeni ujongene nentiyo. yoluntu olufuna ukonyuswa kwemivuzo, imfundo ephucukileyo, izindlu eziphucukileyo, nokuthatha inkxaxheba kulawulo leli lizwe. Ngoku

ephakathi koluxanduva uya kubani eyokucela uncedo? Akayi kongxowa-nkulu abamonyulayo nabenza izigidi ngezigi zemali ngenxa yemithetho awayi qulunqayo. Hayi uya kubasebenzi, kubantu abahluphekileyo asigunyanzise ukhuthi sihlawule iimpazamo zakhe.

Urhulumente uzakutychitha entweni yonke lemali yerhafu yentengo? Ingababethu uzakuyichitha ekusakheleni izindlu okanye uzakusinika ukutya nezinto zokuhamba, kwimfundo mhlawumbi eyiyo yabantwana bethu, abakhele mhlawumbi iindawo zokudlala nokonwaba? Hayi uzakuchitha kubandlululo nocalo-calulo! Uzakuyichitha kulo mgaqo-siseko mtsha ozama ukwahlula-hlula abantu bangabimawo amandla okulwela amalungelo abo. Uzakuyichitha ngokugaya amapolisa omeleze nomkhosi wokugcina ucalucalulo nengcinezelo zomelele ukuze thina bantu bahluphekileyo sihlawule.

Lemali yokwenza lencitho ingaka ayinakuvula kongxowa-knulu ngoba ingeniso yabo iyakuhla yayeke urhulumente akayifuni lonto. Abaqeshi abakhangela bayiphikise lento yalerhafu intsha phandle. Omnye wabaqeshi umnu Sachar wase Grand Bazaars uthe yena ilungile lendlela kswalwa ngayo ngoba ayikho enye indlela.

Ilungile kubani, ngumbuzo wethu lowo? Kode kube-nini sihlupheka? URAWU GUNYAZISA UKUBA MAYIYEKWE KONKE-KONKE UKUTSALWA IRHAFU YENTENGO DE WONKE UMNTU ABE UTHATHA INKXA-HEBA KULAWUOLELELI LIZWE.



GST from the poor

G.S.T. FROM THE POOR, G.S.T. FROM THE PENSIONERS, G.S.T. FROM THE UNEMPLOYED, G.S.T. FROM THE CHILDREN.

This government of ours is in trouble. All over the country it is facing the anger of the people who are demanding lower rents, lower prices, higher wages, better houses, better education, a say in the running of this country! Now, in the middle of its troubles, who does it turn to for help? The bosses who put it in power and are making millions from its laws? No....it turns to the working people, the poor and demands that we pay for its failures.

What is the government going to spend the G.S.T. money on? Houses? Cheap food? Education for our children? Parks? NO!! It is going to spend it on Apartheid! It is going to spend it on this 'New Deal' which will try to divide the people and silence their demands. It is going to spend

it on the army and the police who keep Apartheid and oppression alive and well. And we, the oppressed, are going to have to pay that bill.

This money cannot come from the rich. Their profits will go down, and the government doesn't want that to happen. The bosses have not spoken out too loudly against the new tax. One boss, Mr Sachar from Grand Bazaars, even said, 'It must be for the good of the country because there is no other way out.'

For whoes good, we ask? How much more suffering must we go through for the good of the bosses and the government? RAWU DEMANDS THAT ALL G.S.T. BE SCRAPPED UNTIL THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY HAVE A SAY IN THE RUNNING AND THE LAWS OF THIS COUNTRY!

VINO'S WORKERS ON

Vino's kitchen staff have had enough. Every day they slave in the kitchens to keep 'Mr Vino' and the customers happy. They work eleven hour shifts and don't even get a lunch break inbetween. But now they have had enough.

For Mr Vino was not content to make them work such long hours and go without a lunch break. He went further and paid them starvation wages of R39 per week.

Two weeks ago the staff decided that they could not take these conditions any longer. They wanted a pay increase. They spoke to the supervisor, but their demands fell on deaf ears. Finally, on Sunday 28 May, they all stayed at home. The boss visited one of the workers at home that day, to find out where they all were. She explained the problem to him. That night all the workers waited at her house. They expected the boss to come there. But he had other ideas.

The next day all the workers came to the RAWU offices to ask for help. At RAWU they learned that there is a law to protect workers from bosses who behave like crooks. They learnt that they had worked many extra hours and were owed overtime pay; that they should get a proper meal break every day; that they are underpaid; that they should get three weeks leave a year. They were shocked at how much their boss had cheated them.

RAWU organisers went to the manager with the workers. The manager chased the workers away. He said that he has new workers and he swore at the workers on strike. The organiser told him that he was underpaying his workers, and he said that he would pay then what he owed them, but that he was not going to take them back. The Vino's workers are determined to get their rights. Whether or not they get their jobs back, they are going to make sure that the boss pays them every cent he owes them.



Basebenzi

Kwincwadana yethu yokugqihela bekukho ibali lokugwa yimba kwabasebenzi baseDairybelle. Lithe elihab' amnye wonobangela bolugwayimbo kukusuka kwalelwe abasebenzi abathathu ukhaziyi koniraka ngabaqeshu. Ababasebenzi baxelelwa ngumnu Raynor ukuba habethathe inkxaxheba kugwayimbo lwase Epping. aye bonke abasebenzi abathathe inkxaxheba abasayi kuhlaziyelwa zikoniraka. Emnye koko omnye waba basebenzi waye wabuyiselwa. Sinalombuzo ke baphi abanye abasebenzi ababini?

Kugwayimbo lwesibini uninzi lwabasebenzi lwathatha inkxaxheba. Saba nezi gunyaziso ezimbini. Sisithi RAWU imanyanyeyethu mayivunye njengeyona imele thina kubaqeshu, eesibini sifuna ababasebenzi babuyiselwe emsebenzini. Umnu Henning wathi yena akazi nowathwethwa ngabasebenzi ababini. Waye wayalela umnu Raynor ukuba akhe ayichopise phambi kwethu. Yena umnu Raynor waya wafketha nto yumbi ngoku esingathi thina yimfuthi-mfuthi.

Emva kugwayimbo umnu Raynor waye wabiza intlanganiselo nabasebenzi base Epping. Wathembisa ukuba uzakuthetha nomnu Henning ukuze ababasebenzi babini babuyiselwe emsebenzini. Mnu Raynor sisalindile sifune impendulo.

Ngoku sinengxaki entsha "siyungeni" naye. Umnu Henning wasityikitya isivumelwano esithi ukukho mntu ozimanyez' nmanyanano oyakuba semagciphekweni wokuqoqiwa.

Kodwa ubanjelwa ntona uMonde Ntayo? Kuthiwa ube unah' thina asikholelwa yiloni sifuna ephangale qha sifuna apha emsebenzini ngoku.

Ncedani bammu Henning nawe mnu Raynor nyanisekani. Thina asifuni nkathazo apha emsebenzini lenina nityqhiwa yayo kanti 'iyakunxaka'.

Abasebenzi bakwaDairybelle.

BRIBERY, CORRUPTION IN GRAND!

At one branch of Grand Bazaars the bosses are trying to divide the workers. They have offered a R60 reward to any corrupt worker who is prepared to inform on another worker who they catch stealing. So far two workers have lost their jobs, and we suppose two workers have claimed their reward.

But have the bosses asked themselves why workers are stealing? All the workers have the same problems, work is hard and wages are low. Maybe if workers were paid a decent living wage, they would not need to steal.

And what about the corrupt workers? They even listen to our conversations in the canteen so that they can report it all back to the manager. What do they gain from this? They may get a reward now, but they still work under the same bad conditions as the rest of us. They have the same problems because of low wages.

Workers cannot solve their problems by informing on others. That way they stand alone. Workers also cannot solve their problems by stealing. Even if our conditions force some to steal, that is not right. If we are caught, our problems are much bigger.

Dear Fellow Workers,

A few days ago we read in the newspapers that shops might be opening on Sundays. Already we are working long hours and are getting home late. We get home quite exhausted. Bosses have employed casuals to help at night, but the permanent workers still have to assist. Why does the Government want to introduce a 7 day week now?

A 7 day week will mean workers having no time for their families or their kids. Are they going to give us an extra day off a month? Will we have to work a straight shift or will we work overtime? We don't know what the result will be. When they introduced late shopping hours did the bosses consult the workers? No! We just had to accept the new system.

Workers, what are we going to do now if they introduce Sunday work? Are we just going to sit and accept it? Our bosses must consult with us so that we know what is going on, and can tell them what we feel about Sunday work too.

Charmaine Papier.



Only by organising at work and building unity among all workers can we begin to change things and solve our problems. With unity we will be strong. With strength we will be able to fight for better conditions for all workers. There will be no work left for the few corrupt ones who fall for managements dividing tricks.

IRAWU IYALUVUMELA UBHA
LELWANONCWADI NAMABALI
USUKA KUMALUNGU.

IRAWU WELCOMES ALL LET-
TERS AND STORIES FROM
MEMBERS.



RAWU's first constitution is adopted.



Abasebenzi baphumle kwintlangayo yeRAWU



Workers relax at a RAWU training workshop.



Dairybelle workers strike for recognition.

RAWU IS ONE YEAR OLD

A lot has happened since RAWU was formed a year ago. The union has grown from a handful of workers to almost 2000 members. We have won recognition from a number of firms, and have won many victories for workers where the union is strong.

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AWAY with high prices. We make and sell the goods, but we cannot afford to buy them.

AWAY with group areas, removals and pass laws. We built this country with our own hands and have a right to live in it.

AWAY with bosses unions. We will choose our own unions which unite us and lead us in our struggles at work.

AWAY with puppet bodies. We are the majority and we have the right to choose our own leaders, to have a say in the laws and government.

In RAWU workers fight against exploitation and oppression at work and at home. RAWU helps to build the unity and strength we need to win these struggles.

RAWU INVITES ALL WORKERS FROM SHOPS, HOTELS, DAIRIES AND ALLIED INDUSTRIES TO OUR FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON SUNDAY 10 JUNE AT THE ATHLONE CIVIC CENTRE.



Abameli babasebenzi baxoxa iingxaki/zabasebenzi

INONYAKA IYILIWE IRAWU

Kuninzi okuqhubekile oko yathi iRAWU yama. Imanyano le yathi yema nje nge qaqobana labasebenzi ese ngoku bengamawaka amabini. Sesinezi vumelwano ezileqela nabaqeshi saphumelela neqela lamadabi apho imanyano yomelele yo khona.

Ezideri nasezi shopini jikelele apha eKapa abasebenzi bakhala nge-mivuzo ephantsi. Sidiniwe kukubila ubomi bethu bonke sibilela amahala ngelishesha bona abaqeshi betyeba ngokutyeba.

SITHI PHANTSI namaxabiso anyukayo njalo. Senza imveliso siyi-thengise kodwa thina asinayo imali yokuzithenga ezo zinto.

SITHI PHANTSI neemanyano ezihambisana nabaqeshi. Siyazikhethela ngokwethu imanyano zethu. ezisimanyayo nezisikhokhelela kumzabalazo wokulwela uxhaphazo mandla ethu.

PHANTSI nemithetho yobudlova, iimfuduso ngenkani. namapasi. Siva khile elilizwe ngezandla zethu sinelungelo lokuhlala kulo.

SITHI PHANTSI konoopopi bomdongwe borhulumente wentswela bulungisa. Siluninzi yaye sinalo ilungelo lokukhetha iinkokheli zethu, sibanelizwe kwimithetho noburhulumente.

Apha kuRAWU abasebenzi balwa uxhaphazomandla nengcinezelo esijongene nayo ekhaya nasemibenzini. uRAWU sinceda sakhe umanyano no qilima olufunekayo uze sivafumane amalungelo ethu.

URAWU UMEMA BONKE ABASEBENZI ABASEZISHOP, EZI-HOTELE, IDERI NEZINYE EZINJALO IINDAWO ZOKUSEBENZA KWIKOMFA YETHU YOKUQALA EYAKUBA NGECAWU UMHLA WE 10 JUNE NGO 11 KUSASA E ATHLONE CIVIC CENTRE LHOLO YOLUNTU.

Abasebenzi balwela izi- khazo zobo

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Van Riebeeck

Ngelixesha sisavuyela ukuvunywa kwemanyano. Kulungile ukuthi sijongane nengomso asilazi ukuba lisiphathele ntonina. Konke ke okusisikufumene kubalulekile kodwa ke kuse kude ngaphambili. Okokwakoku nje ezideri sisenesi vumelwano nje sokwaziwa ukuba si khona yaye kufuneka ngoku sityhale le isivumelwano sokwamkeleka ngokupheleleyo kunye nabaqeshi.

SIYINTONINA ISIVUMELWANO SOKWAMKELEKA?

Isivumelwano sokwamkeleka sisivumelwano esenziwa size sityikitywe ngabasebenzi abamanyeneyo nabaqeshi.

Esivumelwano siqulunqa imithetho yalapho emsebenzini. Sihamba ke ngoluhlobo:

(a) Indlela abaqashi amabaphathe ngayo abasebenzi nendlela emabazilungise ngayo iingxaki zasebenzi ezinje ngexesha umsebenzi enga-

philanga, ixesha elandisiweyo, iimfono-mfono njalo-njal.

(b) Yimalini na umvuzo, uyakonyuswa ngamalini, nini?

(c) Iyintonina abakuthi bayenze abaqeshi xa umsebenzi wona iyeyiphina imigaqo ekufuneka beyilande phambi bakhethe okanye baphungule inane labasebenzi?

(d) Iyintonina ekufuneka bayenze abaqeshi phambikokuba bakhethe okanye baphungule inani labasebenzi?

NGUBANI OWENZA ESISIVUMELWANO SOKWAMKELEKA?

Esivumelwano solwamkeleko lemanyano senziwa ngabasebenzi nabaqeshi. Asiyonto icingwa ngabaqeshi bagqibe phaya eziofisini, ukuze kuthathwe umsebenzi okanye ababini batyikitye. Sixoxelwa esivumelwano ngala macala omabini kuvunyelwane.

Kwimizi migangatho-mveliso nase venkileni ezinkulu ezingenaso esivumelwano uyofika kukho uluhlu lwemithetho ejingayo imithetho eyenziwe ngaphandle kokubandakanywa kwabasebenzi. Lemithetho isoloko isenza iingxaki neengxwaba

isoloko isenza iingxaki neengxwabangxwaba, kuba abasebenzi abakwazi ukuyijikanokuyiphikisa le mithetho.



Yiyolonto isivumelwano solwamkelo sibalulekile nje - sinika abasebenzi ithuba lokugunyazisa. Umqeshi akakwazi ukwenza imithetho ngokwakhe.

ANGASICHITHA NA ESISIVUMELWANO UMQESHI?

Hayi esivumelwano siyikontraka esemthethweni. Ukuba umqeshi uyachitha abasebenzi nemanyano yabo bangamsa enkundleni yamatyala.

INGABA ABAQESHI ABA BAZIMISELE NA UKUSITYIKITYA ESISIVUMELWANO?

Hayi abaqeshi abasokuze babize nje abasebenzi bebabizela izivumelwano ezinjalo. Abaqeshi abanini abafuni kuphikisana nabasebenzi. Abafuni kulahlekelwa zingenelo zabo ngokuhlawula imivuzo ephakamileyo. Bafuna ukuba nawo amandla okuqesha okanye ukugxotha, ethuka abasebenzi. Esisivumelwano siyawa phelisa onke lomandla nabasebenzi babe nayo-kengoku indlela yokugqiba nabo ngabo bangakakazwa.

Union

SIYAKUSIFUMANA NJANI ESISIVUMELWANO?

Ezideri abasebenzi bamanyene yaye bomelele kangakuba abaqeshi bafuna kuzokuxoxwa ngesisivumelwano kunye neekomiti zabo. Kufuneka ke ngoko sixoxe izinto ezityathina kwesisivumelwano ukuze simenze umqeshi eve ngathi azive zonke izikhazlo zethu. Basoloka besiza nezabo izikhazlo kunve nemikhwa befuna ukusahlula-hlula ukuze isivumelwano sibe ndyengelele. Hayi basebenzi masi soloko simanyene ukuze siye enkululekweni eve ngathi umqeshi izintonohlolo esifuna ukuphatheka ngalo.



ADVICE PAGE

What are our overtime rights?

Every week we have to work overtime. We are often told at the last minute, so we cannot tell our families we will be late. Often we are not paid properly.

Why do we have to do this extra work? There are thousands of unemployed workers, but they are turned away at the gates and told there is no work. There is enough work for many more workers, but it is cheaper for the bosses to push us to do overtime every week, than it is for him to hire more workers.

Overtime should only have to be done on special occasions, not every second day. We must know what our rights are and we must demand that the bosses stick to the rules. We must also demand that the bosses employ more workers, rather than make us do all the overtime.

Abasebenzi e-overtime

ZINGAPHI IYRE EZISISI GXINA ZOKUSEBENZA NA? Iyire zakho zokusebenza ziya 46 ngeveki, ziya 8 yeyure nangaluphina olunye xa usebenza iintsuka ezi 6 ngeveki.

LINGAKANANINA IXESHA ELIDLU-LILEYO KWELOKUSEBENZA ESINO-KUXELELWA NGALO? Ixesha elisetyenzwa ngokugqithiweyo kwelililo ziyyure ezili 10 ngeveki ngaphandle kokuba kukho isicelo esingxamisekileyo. Ukuba ke sikhona uyakusebenza kangangoko umqeshi efuna.

YIMALINI ESIFANELWE UKUYI-HLAWULWA NGEXESHA ELIGQITHILEYO KWELO MSEBENZI ELIMIYO? (a) Ukuba usebenza ixesha eligqithileyo phakathi evekini ufanelwe ukuhlawulwa imali yeyure enesiqingatha esisinye esithathwini semali yexesha lakho elimileyo.

(b) Ukuba usebenza ixesha eligqithileyo ngosukulwangephe uhlawulwa ngoluhlobo: Ukuba usebenze iiyure zane (4hours), uhlawulwa umvuzo wosuku. Ukuba udlulile kwiiyure ezine, kufuneka uhlawulwe ngokuphindiwe kabini intlawulo yeyure kwixesha lakho elimileyo,

for shop workers



WHAT ARE OUR NORMAL WORKING HOURS? Normal hours for delivery and despatch workers are 46 hours per week. Normal hours for all other workers are 45 hours per week.

HOW MUCH OVERTIME DO WE HAVE TO WORK? Delivery workers can be asked to work up to 12 hours overtime a week. Between 1 and 24 December you can be asked to work up to 16 hours a week.

Despatch and receiving workers can be asked to work up to 3 hours overtime a day, with a maximum of 12 hours a week.

All other workers can work the same amount of overtime as despatch workers, but they can not work more than 60 hours overtime a year. Between 1 and 24 December you can be told to work up to 15 hours overtime a week.

If you are stocktaking, or moving counters or gondolas, you have to work extra overtime. You can work up to 4 hours on any one day, and up to two days in one week. Your boss can only make you work this overtime twice a year.

HOW MUCH MUST WE BE PAID FOR OVERTIME WORK? If you work overtime during the week you must be paid one & a third your normal hourly rate for the time you work.

If you work on a Sunday, you must be paid the following: a full days pay if you work less than 4 hours; if you work more than 4 hours you must be paid double your daily rate or your hourly rate, whichever is higher.

If you work on a Public Holiday you must be paid a full days wages or your hourly wages for the time worked, whichever is higher.

base-deri namalungelo

okanye kuphindwa-phindwe kabini umvuzo wakho wosuku elisisi gxina, nayiphina imali engaphezu kwanye.

(c) Bonke abasebenzi basezi deri (dairy workers) bafanele ukufumana ikhefu ngezintso zeholide zilandelayo iNew Years Day, Good Friday, Ascension Day,

Republic Day, Day of the Vow, okanye Christmas Day. Ukuba usebenza ngolunye usuku lwezi ufanelwe kukufumana uchathawemali. Kufanelwe ukuba uhlawulwe umvuzo wezoyure uzisebenzileyo ibenguchatha lowo phezu komvuzo wakho. Ukuba usebenze ngaphantsi kweyure ezine uhlawulwe imali yeyure ezine.



RAWU AGM

when: sunday, 10 june, 11a.m.

where: athlone civic centre

ONKE AMALUNGU E-RAWU NABASEBENZI BASE-ZIVENKILENI, EZIHOTELE, NASEZIDERI BAYAMENYWA KWINGQUU NGUTHELA YOKUQALA YERAWU.

IRAWU IYENZILE IMIZAMO. ABASEBENZI BAYAZIBONELA NGOKWABO UMOVUZO WOMANYANO LWABO OLULUQILIMBA.

MASIDIBANENI SIBONISANE APHO SITHE SAPHAZAMA, SIVUYISANE APHO SITHE SAPHUMELELA,, SIQULUNQE KWANANJALO IKAMVA LETHU

ZOBAKHONA IZITHUTHI NOKUTYA.

ABASENYANGAA BOKHWELELA KULA HOSTELE YAKWA VAN RIEBEECK, BAZE ABASEGUGULETU BATHATHWE KULA HOSTELE YAKWA DAIRYBELLE.

ULWAZI OLUZELEYO MALUNGA NEZINYE IINDAWO ZOKUTHETHE ABASEBENZI LOKUFUMANEKA NGOKU FOWUNELA KULE OFISI 464909

All members of RAWU and all shop, hotel, distributive and dairy workers are invited to RAWU's first Annual General Meeting.

RAWU has made much progress. Workers are seeing the fruits of their organised strength.

Let us come together to see where we have failed, to celebrate our victories, to plan a new way ahead.

Lunch will be served. Also transport available. phone the office at 46-4909 for more details.

AGM PROGRAMME

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| - SPEAKERS | - ELECTIONS |
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Oyena Mququzeleli lelipendaba lokwa RAWU. Abasebenzi beevenkile, abokukhetharisha nabobisi banako ukuba ngamalungu ka RAWU. Ukuba unengxaki emsebenzini qhakamshelana ne ofisi yethu kwa No 3 CORPORATION CHAMBERS, No 4 CORPORATION STREET, CAPE TOWN. Okanye usitselele ngale nombolo 46-4909.

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