Faced with years of neglect, poverty and despair, some sections of the working class have turned in desperation to the populist policies of the BNP. Policies which breed hatred and divide the working class. Policies which weaken us in our struggle against capitalism.

The politics behind this new alliance do nothing to address the real causes of the rise of the BNP. How could they? They don’t challenge the real issues; capitalism and exploitation. Preferring that we see ourselves as “human beings who are all in this together”, they deny the reality of a class divided society.

Fascists divide us; anti-fascist fronts derail us, by trying to get us into bed with the people who:

- Brought in the first racist Immigration Act
- Killed Blair Peach in the Lewisham ‘police’ riot defending the nazis
- Fast track the deportations of asylum seekers
- Threaten to leave ‘foreigners’ with no health care and asylum seekers in poverty with their children in care
- Brought us the war on Iraq

We have nothing in common with ‘democratic’ fascists

In the 30s their ancestors rallied support for ‘democratic’ capitalism against the forces of fascist capitalism in Europe.

In the 40s they cheered as the workers marched off to their own slaughter.

Today, they want us to support ‘democratic’ Parties against fascist ones, to frighten workers back into voting for their enemies. They want to frighten us back into the hands of the superstition mongers in the churches and mosques, into the hands of those who preach unity of capitalist and worker against the reality of class struggle.

Fascists need silencing. But our enemy’s enemies are not always our friends. And fascism and ‘democracy’ are just two different ways of running the same rotten capitalist system. They are two cheeks of the same arse.

Racism and fascism are weak when workers are fighting for their own class interests.

Struggle will re-emerge. It always does. There are already at least some small signs of this which the media prefers to hide news of beneath a barrage of false debate over capitalist issues and the latest demoralising news from Iraq and Palestine. To have any chance of success, the struggle as it re-emerges needs to know its enemies and not be diverted into capitalist battles between left and right, democratic or dictatorial, black or white etc.

We will not assist this process by promoting cross class alliances under the banner of anti-fascism.

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