HELP VICTIMS OF IMPERIALIST BOMBING AND TERROR CAMPAIGN.

In the tropical Dhofar mountains of Southern Arabia, guerrilla war has been raging since 1965 against the Sultan of Oman. A poor and deprived people of shepherds and farmers are fighting the rule of a tyrant sultan. Led by the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and the Arabian Gulf, they have freed over half the populated area of Dhofar and are carrying out a widespread social campaign in the liberated areas: mass education, a health programme, the emancipation of women, the nationalization of land.

When the war started in 1965, there were no roads, no medical facilities and no education in the country. Entry and exit were banned, medicines were prohibited, and malaria, trachoma, tuberculosis and malnutrition were rampant. The Front's policy has been to fight on two fronts: one against the rule of the Sultan and the British and US oil interests who rule through him, and the other against the backwardness of the society in which they live. Their rudimentary health and welfare facilities have brought the first relief to a people burdened by the most oppressive misery.

The Front has opened one hospital, which is a collection of corrugated iron huts and a few caves. They now have one doctor and a few medical assistants who have had one year's training. The medicines they have are few, and they have no cooling facilities. The only form of transport to the hospital is by foot and people weakened by anaemia, tuberculosis, or wounded by bombings find it very difficult to reach it. Moreover, the hospital does not have sufficient supplies of the limited medicines it does have.

As if endemic diseases were not enough the Sultan's Air Force, composed of British planes, flown by British pilots, have been carrying out savage campaigns of strafing inhabited areas, burning people's crops and killing their cattle, thus wounding many people and making their diet even more deficient. Air and long-range artillery attacks on the liberated areas are carried out everyday, their aim is to starve the population, and drive them into the towns, according to a 'resettlement' campaign modelled on the Vietnamese one.

Many people have been killed and wounded by this terror campaign. There is a desperate need for supplies to be sent to aid the population. The Dhofar Medical Aid programme has been set up to meet this need.

We need money for quinine, penicillin, basic antibiotics, first aid, vitamin and iron tablets and all basic medical supplies.

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I enclose a cheque/P.o./ Giro for £ payable to DHOFAR Medical Aid.

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