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RACIST RAG OF THE YEAR

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the TRUTH
about
ASYLUM
SEEKERS

'SOFT TOUCH' BRITAIN: THE COMFORTABLE LIFE OF AN ASYLUM SEEKER



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US WITH
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**AN ASYLUM SEEKER'S
LUXURY FLAT!!!!**

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the authorities for at least
another month!**



Asylum seekers are taking British jobs

LIES

Asylum seekers are forbidden to work until their claim is accepted. If they do, their claim will be rejected and they will be sent back. As significant number are doctors, educated professionals who could contribute a lot but are not allowed to do so

Asylum seekers live in the lap of luxury

LIES

A recent survey showed the average Briton to believe that asylum seekers receive £113.00 per week in benefits. The actual total is £37.77 a week - 30% below the official poverty line

Britain is being flooded. More asylum seekers come here than anywhere else.

LIES

Under 2% of the world's asylum seekers come to Britain. Even within the European Union, Britain is ranked 8th in asylum applications. It is some of the world's poorest countries that gives most sanctuary, like Iran and Pakistan.

Asylum seekers are bogus: they just come here to improve their standard of living

LIES

The top four countries that recent asylum seekers come from are Iraq, Zimbabwe, Afghanistan and Somalia. These countries are in the grip of war and brutal repression.

Asylum seekers are criminals

LIES

Even according to police statistics, there is no higher crime rate among asylum seekers. In fact, they are more likely to be the victims of crime.

STOP THE RACIST LIES!
DEFEND ASYLUM SEEKERS

- asylum - don't believe the hype

There's a logic that says immigrants are flooding our country, stealing our jobs, getting homes food and healthcare for free whilst the hard working among us get nothing. Our welfare system is struggling because we have to support them while they're drug - running and people-smuggling.

Senior police officers are blaming asylum seekers for rising crime, despite figures showing that asylum seekers are far more likely to be victims than the rest of the population .

And even when this rhetoric takes the relatively inoffensive and faintly believable form of concern that "we should look after our own before taking on others' problems" - it's a logic driven by nationalism, racism and neo-liberal economics.

The figures speak a different language from the press and parliamentary hyperbole. Last year Britain accepted only 1.9% of the worlds refugees although polls showed people to believe the figure to be 23%. Any claims of the country being flooded by 'them' seem to be at the very least exaggerated.

A sense emerges that

there is something more insidious beneath the rhetoric.

There has never been one particular or even a consistent group of reasons for why some people are considered part of a nation and others excluded. People have been coming to Britain to seek refuge for the last 1000 years. The Huguenots fleeing catholic France, Spanish Jews and Moors after the expulsion, East European Jews escaping the pogroms, Italians, South Asians, East Asians, Irish, Black Africans. To most, these groups and their cultural influences have been positive and moulded into the collective psyche of Britain [if such a thing exists].

But from the implications that some groups of people do not belong here come the justifications for why they shouldn't be here. Racism and scapegoating are the almost inevitable results.

When Kent starting screening all asylum seekers for TB, they didn't find one person carrying it. But despite this, there are still claims that less than 0.2% of the population can bring the NHS to a grinding halt.

Asylum seekers receive

£36.54 per week in benefits, 24% less than 'British' people. The only reason that they're on them is because the government has decreed that whilst applying for asylum they are not allowed to work, so making them utterly dependent on state hand-outs.

The housing crisis is not the fault of asylum seekers, but due to 'right to buy' and lack of investment into affordable housing.

Encouraged by the right-wing press, and not in the least bit discouraged by the government, asylum seekers have been made an acceptable target for racism. The step from attacking asylum seekers to attacking civil liberties has already started. By linking immigrants and the Muslim community at large with terrorism, the government has justified the introduction of 'entitlement' cards - a card to show what you're [not] entitled to have or be doing.

Last year, most applications for asylum came from Iraq, Afghanistan and Zimbabwe, a consequence of the West's war drives and economic policies. The simultaneous targeting of asylum seekers showing the

government's refusal to deal with any negative consequences: they become labelled as 'bogus' economic migrants. Our need for clean toilets, picked fruit and gutted animals is obviously not enough of a priority to pay the workers in these jobs a reasonable amount. The only people who will do them are temporary immigrant labour, because it's comparatively more than they earned at home.

The crackdown on economic migrants is a consequence of free trade. Money and commodities can move freely, but if people moved freely to find better wages, wages across the globe would need to rise. This isn't new: during the industrial revolution in Britain factory owners lobbied the government to prevent people moving from the countryside to the cities to find better wages.

Asylum isn't the cause of the problems in this country. Refugees are one of the symptom of problems that go directly back to the government: war and its associated foreign policy, and exploitative trade and its associated local and international economic policies.



Economic migrants

Economic migrants are frequently targeted by the hate-filled gutter press as the reason for the "asylum madness" that they are responsible for creating. This is hugely hypocritical, and a thin disguise for the racism that fuels press coverage of immigration.

David Beckham is an economic migrant. He is moving to Spain to earn millions of euros because it is more lucrative than staying in England and playing for Manchester United. By the Daily Mail's logic, he shouldn't be allowed because he isn't fleeing persecution!

Modern Britain was built on the hard work of economic migrants. The National Health Service and London Transport were only able to exist and grow throughout the twentieth century because they advertised in the Carribean for workers to emigrate to Britain and work long hours for low wages.

Economic migrancy is exploited by the capitalists and then blamed for society's ills. Its time to put a stop to this. REVOLUTION believes in open borders, and end to racist asylum laws and an end to the scapegoating and exploitation of migrants to this country.



DESPITE THE MEDIA MYTHS, MOST ASYLUM SEEKERS ARE NOT PLACED IN 'BRAND NEW COUNCIL HOUSES AND GIVEN FREE FURNITURE'; MANY ARE GHETTOISED IN SINK ESTATES IN POOR AREAS

ABOLISH ALL IMMIGRATION CONTROLS!

OPEN THE BORDERS!

IF MONEY CAN CROSS BORDERS, WHY CAN'T PEOPLE?

What REVO says about **RACISM**

Imperialism justifies its plunder of whole continents by racism – the warped concept that the ‘white race’ is biologically superior to the populations of Africa, India and the Asia-Pacific region.

Racist ideology was developed to justify colonial conquest and slavery. Today it is used to:

- justify the continued economic dependence of the Third World
- erect a barricade around the most developed countries and prevent workers from Africa, Asia and eastern Europe gaining access to work and housing in the west
- to excuse lower pay and conditions for black workers than white and
- to divide the working class along racial and national lines.

REVOLUTION fights for:

- The abolition of all immigration controls
- Close down all detention camps for asylum seekers and refugees
- Equal rights of citizenship for all, regardless of race, nationality or country of origin
- Scrapping of all racist laws
- Equal pay and conditions for all workers
- Black people and racial minorities’ right to self-defence against racist attacks
- Direct action by the working class to disperse fascist and racist terror movements
- Confronting every sign of racism in education, media the workplace and public services
- The right of racial minorities to organise within the working class movement to identify and confront racism and discrimination
- A multiracial, international movement of the workers and oppressed against global capitalism.
- The right of racial minorities to caucus in working class organisations.

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