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Sri Lanka

No to induction of foreign troops!

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New Left Front statement: "We condemn the induction of foreign troops under cover of the appeal made by the Sri Lanka Govt. to the international community for help to assist the victims of the disaster caused by the Tsunami on 26th December."

"No doubt the death toll rose to around 30,000, and over 2 million people have been displaced both in the North and the South of Sri Lanka, besides the devastation caused to much infrastructure. As for the dead, most of the bodies have already been found and buried in mass graves."

"In any case, it is totally unnecessary to commit troops as the US has done. Of course the US administration, which didn't raise a little finger for 3 whole days after the disaster struck Sri Lanka, as even the New York Times has criticized, has its own agenda in sending troops to Sri Lanka."

"On the one hand, it is an opportunity for the US to gain a foothold with designs to suppress the LTTE and control the Tamil liberation struggle on behalf of local capitalist rulers. On the other, it also provides an opening for the US not only to arm-twist Sri Lanka to go along with global capitalism, but also to use Sri Lanka's strategic location to consolidate its neo-colonial agenda all the more blatantly."

"We therefore appeal to all the oppressed people, the left and democratic forces to come forward to protest strongly against the induction of foreign troops to Sri Lanka under cover of relief and rescue operations."