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Comrade Agostinho Neto,

The UNITA and FNLA insist in replacing me for some reactionary guy who may play along with them. If this happens, the whole project we’ve guised to handle the power solely to the MPLA would crumble apart. Those puppet movements get their support from whites whose sole intention is to perpetuate the heinous Portuguese imperialism and colonialism – the one based on the “Faith and Empire” motto, that is to say, reeking of moist-smelling churches and of the popish, plutocratic exploitation.

Those Imperialist forces intend to counter our Prague secret agreements that comrade Cunhal signed on behalf of the PCP so that, under the aegis of the glorious PC of the URSS [Communist Party], we may extend communism from Tangiers to the Cape and from Lisbon to Washington.

Empower the MPLA in Angola is vital to topple that bastard Mobutu, an imperialist lackey, and secure Zaire as a platform.

After the last secret meeting with the PCP comrades, we advise you to immediately start to execute the second phase of the plan. Wasn’t Fanon who said that the inferiority complex can only be overcome by killing the colonizer? Comrade Agostinho Neto, give [“dá” is written in an amicable way, not in the deferential “dê”] your MPLA militants secret instructions to terrorize the whites by every means, either by killing, looting or arson, in order to provoke their flight from Angola. Be cruel especially with children, women and elderly in order to discourage the bravest. Only terror will drive those bloodsucking white dogs out of this land to which they are so attached.

Both the FNLA and UNITA won’t be able to count with the white people’s support, their finances and military expertise. Uproot them is such a way so that, with the white men’s fall, the entire capitalist structure will collapse and a new socialist society may be installed, or at least the former won’t be easily rebuilt.

Revolutionary salute,
The Victory is certain

António Alva Rosa Coutinho
Vice-Admiral