

WHY EVERY STUDENT SHOULD VOTE NO IN THE REFERENDUM

The Common Market was set up by International Monopoly Capital for International Monopoly Capital. The principles enshrined in the Treaty of Rome, i.e. free movement of capital, labour and goods, and the erection of a tariff barrier around Western Europe are good for profits but act directly against the interests of working people and people on fixed incomes, like pensioners and students.

for a greater ability to decide our own future

The student movement and the Labour movement have fought for their rights both through Parliament and through direct action putting pressure on successive governments. The Common Market threatens to undermine these rights. Power would be in the hands of an EEC Commission which is undemocratic and answerable to nobody.

for a higher standard of living

One of the main reasons for the economic crisis in Britain is the chronically low level of investment. Yet if we remain in the EEC a free flow of capital will be maintained and that capital is leaving this country rapidly instead of being invested here.

for cheaper food

The EEC Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) is designed to subsidise farmers at the expense of people who buy food. It encourages production but discourages consumption. This means that the cost of food has gone up and will continue to rise dramatically while vast stocks of food are prevented from coming onto the market by being stored indefinitely or by being destroyed.

for european security and detente

The increased economic and political involvement in Europe will herald a concomitant military unification within Western Europe. A world power bloc in Western Europe would heighten international tension.

for real internationalism

Superficially remaining in the Common Market seems like a positive step in the field of promoting internationalism. THIS IS NOT SO. The Common Market will only harden divisions both between the peoples of Western Europe and, particularly, the whole of the rest of the world. The EEC in relation to the third world is an exploitative unit. The Common Market's tariff barriers make trade difficult for third world countries which rely on exporting food or raw materials and nearly impossible for them to export manufactured goods.

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