

# Communist Party of Australia

The Communist Party of Australia seeks to make fundamental changes to our society through Socialism based on people's needs rather than private profits.

But the capitalist system, run in the interests of profit for the rich, stands in the way. It is a system based on social inequalities - between rich and poor, men and women, whites and blacks.

The Australian Labor Party contains many committed socialists and sincere people dedicated to social change. The ALP does introduce and advocate many progressive policies.

The CPA supports the election of a Labor government. But more is needed.

The ALP is basically locked into reforming the present system - modifying, humanising and even streamlining capitalism - giving it a 'human face'. The CPA on the other hand, seeks to fundamentally change society - to build a socialist Australia.

The CPA works to build a new kind of socialist society which is democratic and self-managed, where power is exercised by people in workplaces and communities.

A vote for Roger Wilson will strengthen the socialist forces. A second preference vote for Labor will ensure your vote goes to the anti-liberal cause.

Vote COMMUNIST 1 Labor 2.

## Vote Roger Wilson for Melbourne.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF AUSTRALIA?

This document covers only some of the issues of concern to the Communist Party of Australia: if you would like to know more about these or any other issues, please contact the Communist Party of Australia, 12 Exploration Lane, Melbourne, or ring 662 3799.

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### PREFERENTIAL VOTING

The preferential voting system ensures that if you vote Communist 1 and Labor 2 and put a number in every square, then your ballot paper counts as a full vote for Labor if the communist candidate is not elected.

## Vote 1 Wilson 2 Remington

### Weed the Libs out

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# We want to put people before profits



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## HOUSING

- 100,000 Victorian households need help with accommodation
- Housing Commission has only 40,000 rental units.
- In 1979/80 it built only another 1,213 units.
- To obtain a housing loan, you need to earn the Average Weekly Earnings. 70% of workers earn less.
- The introduction of 'market-related' rents has caused thousands of Housing Commission tenants to fall into arrears.
- The State government spends only \$6 per annum per head on public housing as against the national average of \$16 per annum per head.

### THE CPA ALTERNATIVE

- Government action to limit interest rates on housing loans
- Tenant control of public housing
- A wide range of accommodation options and low rents
- Greater investment by government in housing and building industries - more jobs.

**PUBLIC HOUSING IS A NECESSITY AND A RIGHT**

## HEALTH

- The latest system will cost an extra \$500 million in its first year
- It forces families into health funds at the average cost of \$15 week
- Has led to ward closures and staff cutbacks in hospitals
- Encourages private health funds, private hospitals and private medical practices geared to the profit motive.
- Has curtailed community health centres

### THE CPA ALTERNATIVE

- One universal health scheme, funded through taxation levy
- Encouragement of preventative and personalised health care through extension and development of community health centres.

**HEALTH CARE IS A NECESSITY AND A RIGHT**



## PUBLIC TRANSPORT

- Over the last year, fares have increased dramatically, particularly affecting short journeys to the city.
- Freeways continue to cut their way through the Melbourne electorate.
- Public transport services are cut, curtailed or closed.

### THE CPA ALTERNATIVE

- Lower fares to increase patronage - as in NSW
- Public transport to be safe, efficient and fast.
- Services to be extended to offer all residents the option of using public transport.
- An improved public transport system will decrease our dependence on inefficient and expensive road transport and lessen the impact of the fuel crisis.

**PUBLIC TRANSPORT IS A NECESSITY AND A RIGHT**



## MELBOURNE CITY COUNCIL.

- Council sacked
- No resident participation in decision-making - domination by big business.
- Possibility of residential areas being thrust into neighbouring councils.
- Central Business District becoming the dead centre of Melbourne
- Buildings of historical interest being demolished.
- Continued failure to implement planning controls through the Melbourne Strategy Plan.

### THE CPA ALTERNATIVE

- Restore the elected council
- Retain the present council boundaries but change ward boundaries to encourage and allow residents to participate in council
- Mixed development for Melbourne encouraging residents, small business and entertainment centres into the city using Strategy Plan guidelines.
- Co-ordination and integration of all council services.

**REPRESENTATION AND PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS A RIGHT AND A NECESSITY.**

## EMPLOYMENT

- Latest jobless figure for Victoria is 104700 or 5.8%
- Victoria's manufacturing industries face difficulties.
- Proposed new industries like ALCOA and coal-to-oil projects are capital intensive and employ few workers.

### THE CPA ALTERNATIVE

- Massive industrial development of worker-controlled enterprises to create jobs for those requiring them.
- Finance provided through the nationalisation of major industries and a Resources Tax.
- Further finance derived by diverting the tax base away from the workers and onto the rich in the form of Capital Gains Tax and similar measures.
- Require subsidised industries such as ALCOA to manufacture in Australia and not just export raw materials.

**SOCIALLY USEFUL EMPLOYMENT IS A NECESSITY AND A RIGHT.**

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