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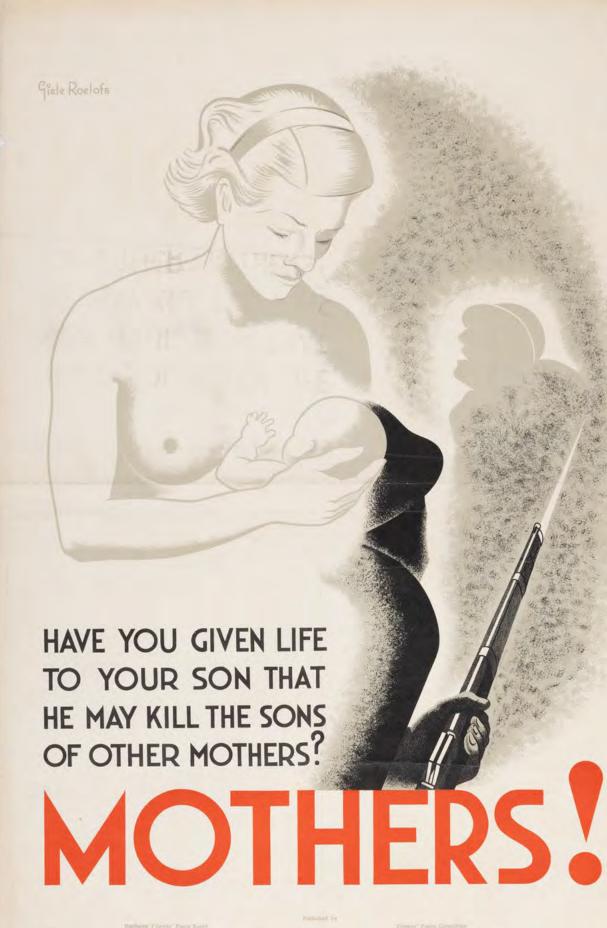
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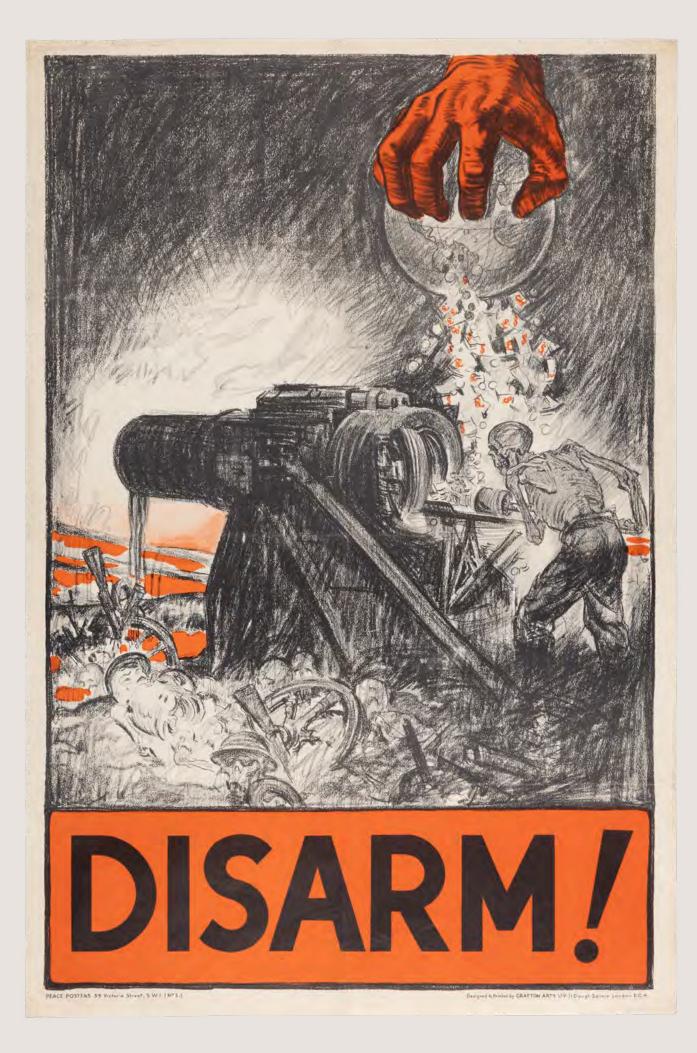
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THERE'S STILL TIME, BROTHER

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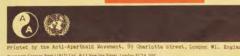




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In South Africa all senior civ: When Blacks protest, the police shoot first-as they did in Shar



operates in all spheres Only whites can vote, all members of parliament, all government ministers servants and all judges are white Apartheid in practice means separate and unequal This is why apartheid is



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Only one person in four reading this poster would survive a nuclear strike on London GLC Working for London and Peace





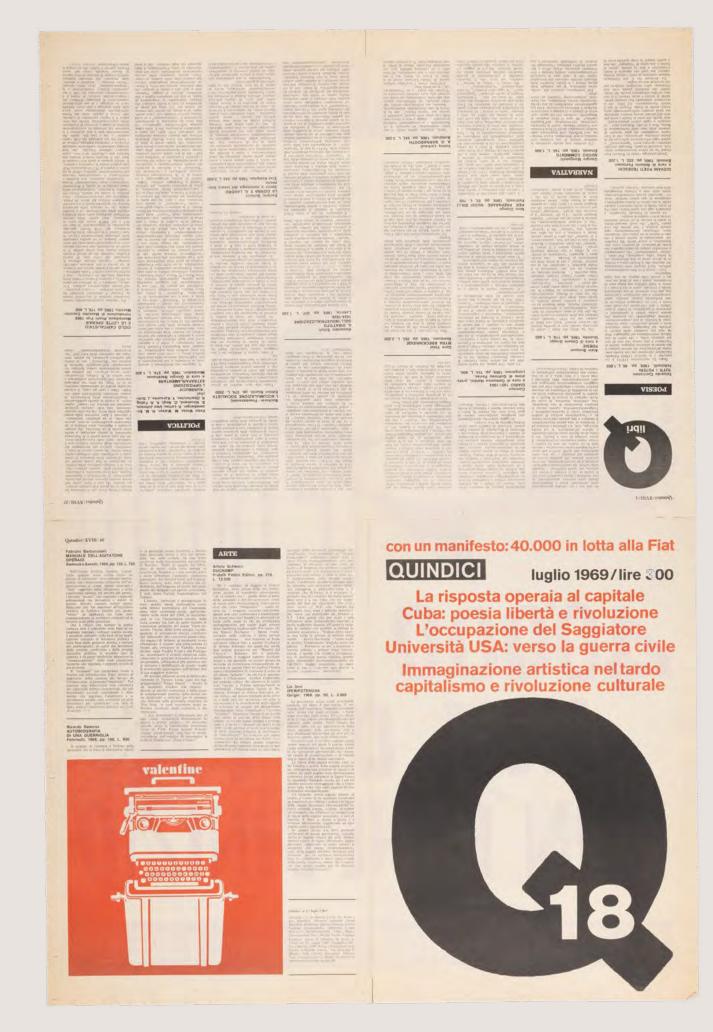
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Posters inspire action to fight for freedom, both from social and political oppression and economic exploitation. Black, white and red are used to catch the viewer's eye and make a strong, sombre impression. Images of balled fists suggest strength and a willingness to fight. Hands holding tools represent workers fighting for better conditions. Hands holding up machine guns endorse the use of violence.



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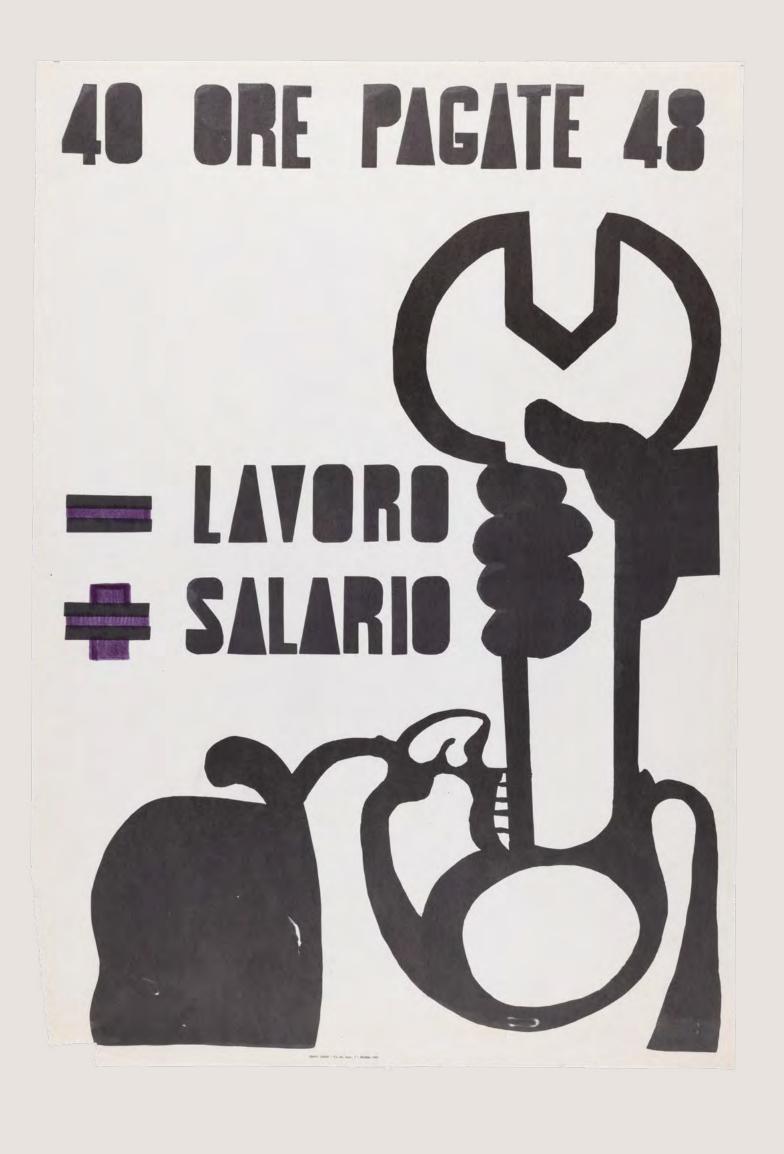
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(Reverse)











Greek Freedom RALLY

AT TRAFALGAR SQUARE SUNDAY 21 APRIL 3 pm DON'T MISS MELINA MERCOURI

Organised by and information from April 21 st Greek Freedom Rally Committee 60 Tottenham Court Rd, London W.C.1 (Tel 636 - 0175)

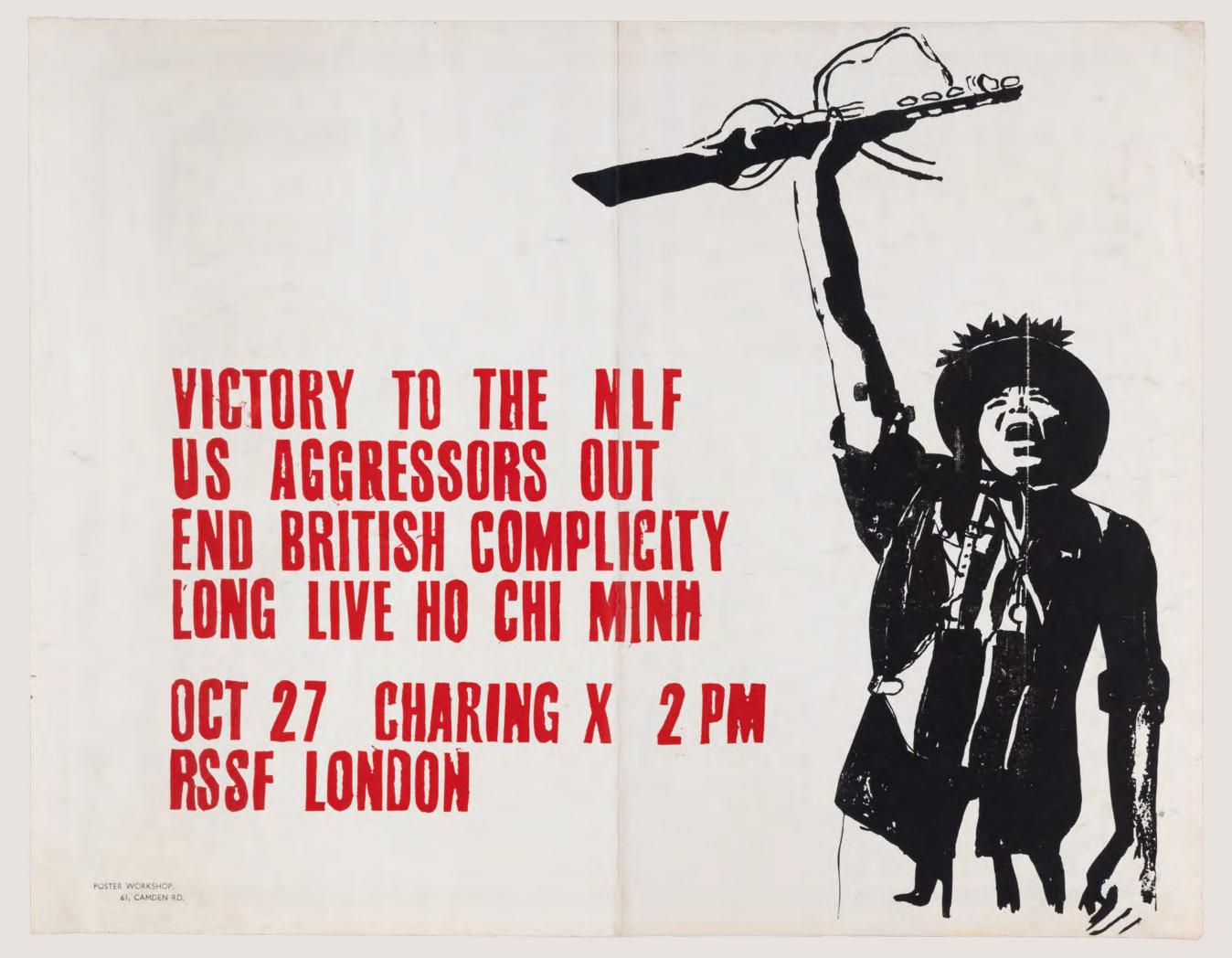
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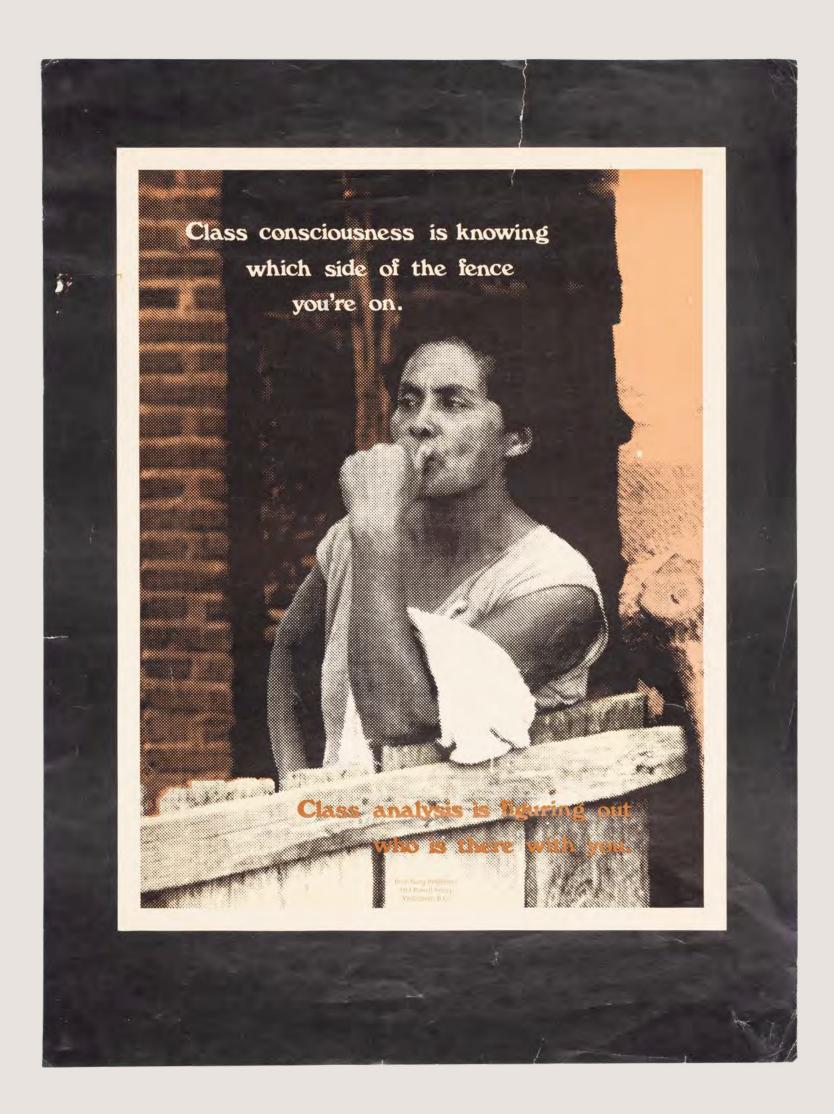








Posters can encourage the viewer to unite with others in pursuit of their cause. Some show people joining their hands, or raising them in unison. Two posters from the 1960s French student movement show workers and students united in solidarity. **One shows a student (wearing a scarf)** and a worker (carrying a spanner), both raising their fists. In the other, a hand holding a pen represents the students who are now developing a class consciousness and showing solidarity with the workers. **Another poster shows French workers** uniting with immigrant workers, while their employer (wearing a bowler hat) tries to push them apart.

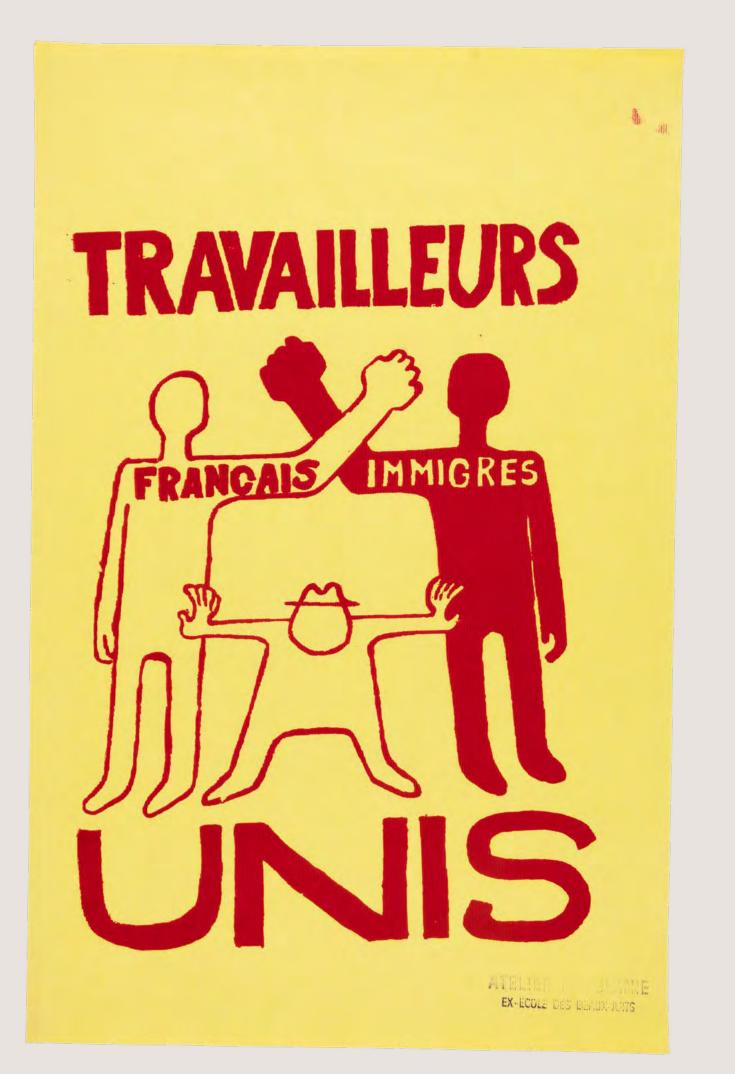


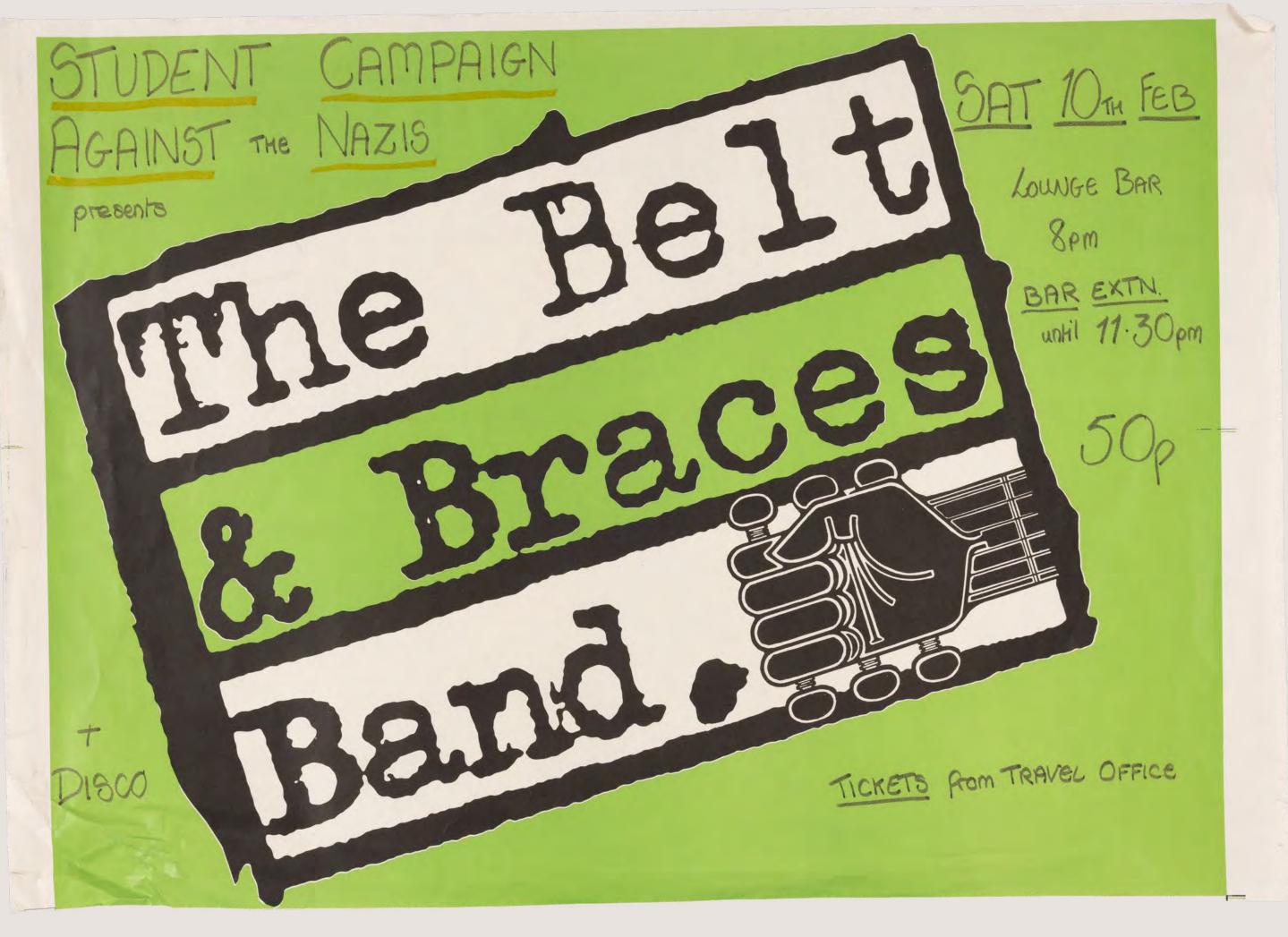


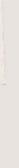
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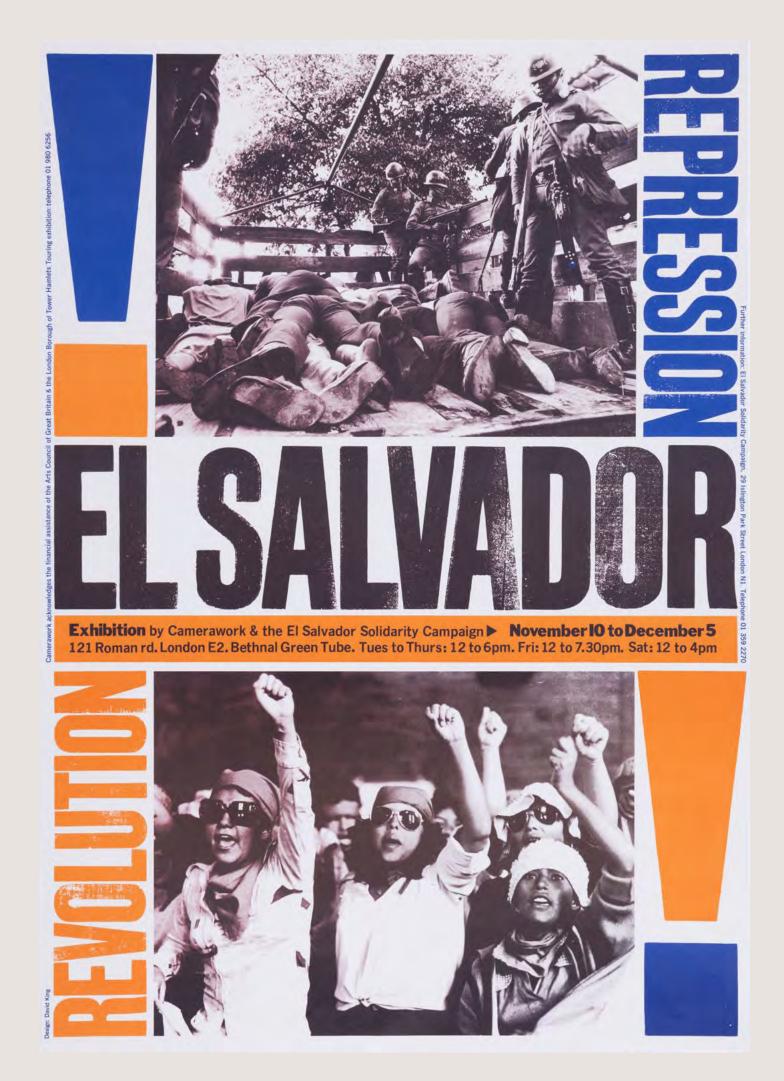
Multiple, bright colours are used to commemorate or celebrate past victories after periods of struggle. The posters in this section all show hands raised in triumph, though some still hold weapons, indicating that violence played an important part in achieving victory.





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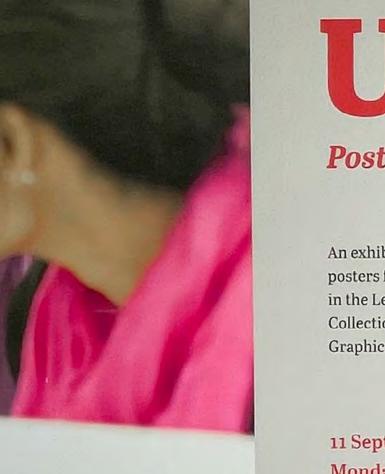




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11 September – 8 December 2023 Monday to Thursday 10.00am - 4.00pm









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