

# **Program of the Revolutionary Socialist Party**

Preamble

## **Part I. The Capitalist World System**

Section 1. The capitalist system, its contradictions and development

The stage of monopoly capitalism (imperialism)

The role and character of the state under capitalism

Imperialism and the struggle for socialism

From the first to the second stage of the general crisis of capitalism

Late monopoly capitalism

The third stage of the general crisis of capitalism

Section 2. Capitalism and the threat to human survival

War and the threat of nuclear annihilation

The growing ecological crisis

## **Part II. The Origins and Development of Capital and Labour in Australia**

**Section 1.** Australian capitalism

A settler outpost of British capitalism

Development of the Australian capitalist nation-state

Australia's role in the world imperialist system

Specific problems of the Australian capitalist economy

**Section 2.** The Australian working class

Distinctive features of the Australian labour movement

The formation and role of the Australian Labor Party

The Australian working class today

### **Part III. Socialist Strategy and Tactics**

#### **Section 1.** The conscious character of the movement for socialism

The need for a revolutionary party

The role and character of the revolutionary party

#### **Section 2.** The main tasks of socialist strategy and tactics

Revolution and the struggle for reforms

Forging working-class unity

Socialists and the trade unions

Socialist electoral tactics

Socialists and the Australian Labor Party

Mobilisation of the allies of the working class

Self-organisation of the masses and the struggle for power

### **Part IV. Socialist Solutions to the Crisis of Capitalism**

#### **Section 1.** Defending and extending democratic and human rights

Defence of trade-union rights and civil liberties

Parliamentary versus genuine democracy

Economic democracy

For the liberation of women

Against the suppression of human sexuality

Against racial and ethnic discrimination

Full equality for Aborigines

For the rights of young people

#### **Section 2.** For protection of the environment

**Section 3.** For peace and international solidarity

**Section 4.** Defending living standards and working conditions

**Part V. The Socialist Transformation of Society**

**Section 1.** Democracy and the transition to socialism

Democracy and the struggle for workers' power

Workers' democracy and the defence of workers' power

Workers' democracy and the building of socialism

Revolutionary leadership and the transition to socialism

**Section 2.** The danger of bureaucratism in the transition period

Combating bureaucratic tendencies

The causes of Stalinist totalitarianism

The anti-socialist nature of Stalinism

**Section 3.** Stages in the transition to socialism

The first stage of the transition period

The second stage of the transition period

The socialist society