## **Governmental power**

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Left Unity aims to win political power to end capitalism, not to manage it. It will not participate in governmental coalitions with capitalist parties at national or local level. Nor will it aim to administer the existing capitalist state alone or in coalition with reformists, in the manner of either old or new Labour.

The elevation of Left Unity to government either alone or as part of a working class bloc must be generally understood as heralding the abolition of the core of the capitalist state - centrally the police, the officer caste of the armed forces, the capitalist judiciary and prison system, and the command structure of the civil service, etc. The creation of such a workers' government must therefore be accompanied by the existence of independent, armed working class organisations, capable of successfully defending the government and its working class base against the disintegrating capitalist state forces.

It must be clearly understood that without such conditions being in place, no working class government can be formed.