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Promoting the 75th anniversary of South African Defence Force, the organisers of the Royal Show have failed to recognise the role that the SADF is playing in South African society.

The majority of South Africans view the SADF as an aggressive force, repressing their legitimate political grievances. Defence cost the South African taxpayer over R5 billion a year.

The Royal Agricultural Show is being used to celebrate the SADF, when according to Operation Hunger (on the verge of collapse in Pietermaritzburg for lack of funds), some 2.9 million South African children under 15 suffer from clinical malnutrition, directly related to lack of food and health care. 55% of all African babies will die before the age of five, as against 7% of babies in the White community.

That children are starving in a country which has vast agricultural and mineral resources, while billions is spent on defence, is tragic. That an agricultural show is used to promote the SADF and glorify the war is profoundly disturbing.

The Royal Show should not be used as a means to further militarize South African society.

