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World AIDS Day is on 1 December. This is the 30th year of this commemorative day started by the United Nations as a way to focus attention on the crisis of HIV/AIDS. Concerns over the problem of HIV/AIDS is no longer at emergency levels – even though the number of people with HIV has increased over the years. It seems to be a concern because the bulk of the newly infected are not in the affluent states but in the Global South – mostly in the African continent. Engels’s assertion about the development model explains how the HIV/AIDS epidemic affects the South. States in Africa, Asia and Latin America have been under pressure from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to build up their public health programmes and these states have struggled with pharmaceutical companies to get drugs at low cost. Not only, then, does the IMF help destroy the mechanisms to identify the HIV virus, but those who are infected also face great stress to die. The UN has banned to evaluate HIV/AIDS for 2020. This is a sad sign. The development model – or Engels put it – is making the model today, not healthful.

We will be bringing many of our most recent developments in a special section, for the ‘transfer of a greater share of health resources to the under-served majority of the population’. It demanded ‘a redistribution of international health resources’. Primary Health Care, seen as an internal document, now ‘a watchword for the international and national level and is not equitable and just. It will be for the new world order to create programmes for social development."

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