Economic crisis in them and us: Britain

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ever, that would only be the start. The capi-

talist crisis would be to also take all

the big corporations that dominate Britain’s
economy into democratic public ownership. This would then allow for production to be planned to meet the needs of all people and the planet and not for private profit.

Tamil Solidarity: important resolution agreed at the European Parliament

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Tamil representatives, solidarity and human rights campaigners and individual activists converged on the European parliament on Wednesday 1 June.

They came from 11 countries – in Eu-

rope, Sri Lanka, India, Australia and New Zealand – to a hearing hosted by Socialist Party Ireland MEP Paul Murphy, on behalf of the European United Left-Nordic Left (GUE/NGL) group of MEPs. Among the MEPs who participated was Heidi Hautala, Green MEP and chair of the European Parliament’s Subcommittee on Human Rights.

With around 150 participants, the hearing heard from those who rarely have an op-

portunity to make their voices heard in the Parliament including witnesses and victims of the war and trade union representatives from Sri Lanka.

The hearing had three sessions: origins of the conflict; the war and its aftermath; the conflict; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; the war and its aftermath; 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