

Call on Pretoria - Meet the April 30 Deadline!

The African National Congress has called on the international community to demand that conditions for negotiations be met by April 30, 1991. The conditions include:

- Unconditional release of all political prisoners**
- Unconditional return of exiles**
- Repeal of all security and repressive legislation**
- Termination of all political trials**
- End the violence against the liberation movement**

Educators Against Racism And Apartheid calls on all peace-loving educators to involve your students and colleagues in this massive effort to bring an end to apartheid through negotiations. Millions of South Africans have been killed by apartheid genocide. Thousands of South Africans have already been killed in their efforts to end apartheid. The ANC is committed to negotiations. The regime must create the climate for negotiations by meeting these demands.

If thousands of our students write letters to President DeKlerk this week, we can play an important role in bringing about an end to apartheid. Call on him to meet the demands by April 30, so that negotiations to end apartheid can begin. Nearly 700 educators will receive this newsletter. If each of you involves your class(es) or your entire school in this letter - writing effort, we can easily generate over 100,000 letters. See inside for President DeKlerk's address.



*From Two Dogs And Freedom
Drawings by South African children.*

Remember... *The Sharpeville Massacre!*

On March 21, 1959, thousands of Africans gathered in locations around the country. In Sharpeville, up to 20,000 came to the police station in a peaceful demonstration against the abhorrent pass laws. Police opened fire; 69 people were killed and 186 wounded. **More than 80% were shot in the back while fleeing.** The Sharpeville Massacre led to an even more repressive era: a state of emergency was declared.

The African National Congress has called on the international community to plan mass actions on Sharpeville Day, on Solomon Mahlangu Day (April 6), and on April 30 to keep the pressure on the South African regime.

Educators Against Racism And Apartheid urges you to plan actions at your school in addition to the letter writing campaign. Please send letters to:

President DeKlerk
Private Bag X83
Pretoria, 0001,
South Africa
Fax: 011-27-12-323-1664

Send letters of support to Nelson Mandela and the African National Congress. Information and Publicity P.O. Box 61884, Marshalltown 2307 Johannesburg, South Africa.

Please send a note to Educators Against Racism And Apartheid to let us know how many letters were sent from your class or school. Let us know what other actions you are planning for the April 30 campaign.

Thanks!

Keep the pressure on!

THE SHARPEVILLE MASSACRE

The campaign against the pass laws continued into the 1960s. On 21 March that year there was a peaceful demonstration at Sharpeville. It had been called by the Pan Africanist Congress (PAC) an organisation formed the year before in a split from the ANC.



Police opened fire, killing 69 people and wounding many more.



The country was aflame with protests, demonstrations and strikes. The government declared a State of Emergency. Over 22,000 people were detained or arrested. The ANC and PAC were outlawed.

From *Fighting Apartheid*, International Defense And Aid Fund. p. 33

Happy 1st Anniversary, Namibia!

Last March 21 saw the birth of the Republic of Namibia, after more than a century of foreign domination. One of the great achievements has been the creation of a climate of peace and stability. The key to this great change is the ruling SWAPO party's policy of "national reconciliation."

While schools have been integrated, the government lacks money for buses and fuel to bus Black students to formerly white schools. Although people have the right to live anywhere, most Black families cannot afford to move. Poverty and history conspire to keep apartheid alive, despite the great efforts of the new government.

Namibia must still rely on South Africa for most imports, technical services and expertise. The SA gov't is demanding that Namibia repay over \$280 in loans raised during SA's illegal occupation!

The international community has begun marshalling resources to help Namibia confront the poverty, underdevelopment, and racial injustice that is the endowment of apartheid colonialism. The world's newest nation appears to be at the bottom of Washington's priorities. The Bush Administration budgeted just \$500,000. Concerned Congressional leaders increased this to \$10 million. This will drop to \$7.8 million in 1991.

You can help:

* Please lobby your Congressperson for increased aid to Namibia.

* My Favorite Book Project: Send one of your favorite books to a school in Namibia. Please include your student's photo and address so that children can become penpals.

Send to: Ms. Bella Cupido

Jan Joncker Afrikaner S.SS

Katatura 9000, Namibia

* The Gift of Music: sheet music, instruments.

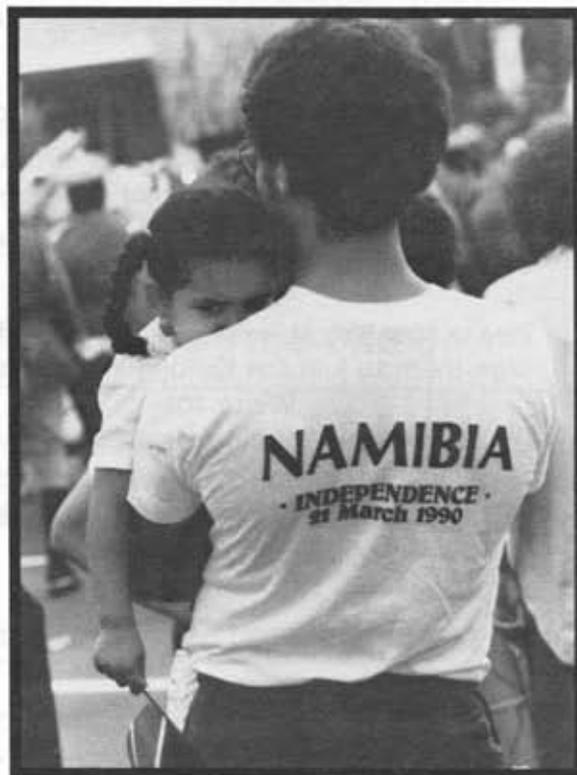
Contact: Tim Jensen.

1717 Grant. Blair, NE 68008.

Call: (402) 426-9610

* Doctors and Pharmacists needed to work in Namibia. Call (319) 589-0326.

* Travel to Namibia! May 3 - 25, 1991. Call: National Namibia Concerns (303) 830-2774



A father and daughter watching a rally during the independence celebration in Windhoek. UN photo by J. Isaac

Divestment Update

Boycott Coca Cola!

Threat To Life of Kellogg's Worker, *Chris Dlamini*

On January 1, 1991 people with balaclavas on their heads went to the Congress of South African Trade Unions (COSATU) regional offices in Germiston. They were looking for COSATU Vice President Chris Dlamini and the Regional coordinator. They were told the Administrator had been transferred. As the men left, they were seen loading a gun. They said they were from the police, but refused to show ID's. They quickly left the building.

COSATU believes that an abduction or assassination attempt was in progress.

"This incident must be seen in the context of attacks on the democratic movement in recent days. The massacre of ANC mourners in Sebokong, the firebombing of the National Union of Mineworkers of SA, the attacks of residents in Braklaagte clearly indicate that a new wave of terror is being unleashed against the democratic movement, its leaders and supporters. In this attack there is no doubt that the ANC and COSATU have been singled out as central targets."

The ANC and COSATU continue to demand that U.S. corporations DIVEST from SA. Kellogg's still refuses to honor this demand, even though Chris Dlamini, a COSATU VP is a worker at Kellogg's Springs factory.

Please speak to at least 5 people each day to urge them to join the Kellogg's boycott.

Write to:

President, Kellogg's Company
1 Kellogg's Square
Battle Creek, Michigan 49016-3599
Boycott Kellogg's

American Cyanamid *Campaign Heats Up*

Call on American Cyanamid to sever all business ties to South Africa until apartheid is abolished, stop shipping toxic waste to SA, and uphold the rights of Cyanamid's South African workers.

Order postcards to send to
American Cyanamid.

\$60 per 1000

\$45 per 50

\$25 per 250

\$15 per 100 (minimum)

Send to Interfaith Center On
Corporate Responsibility.

475 Riverside Drive # 556
NYC, NY 10115

Boycott Manufacturer's *Hanover Bank!*

Shell Boycott Victory in *New Jersey*

After years of hard work, including informational picketing at rest stops on the NJ Turnpike, Shell Oil Company's exclusive contract to be the sole provider of gasoline and related services on the New Jersey Turnpike will not be renewed! This is the most significant victory worldwide in the Shell Boycott Campaign!!!
Congratulations to the New Jersey Anti-Apartheid Mobilization Coalition!

Maintain
Sanctions!



Study finds: New York Schools Promote Poverty

Community Service Society of New York (CSS) found in its study of the funding of New York City schools that children in the poorest districts are overwhelmingly Black and Hispanic, further behind academically, and younger (concentrated in the lower grades). The study found that the poor districts are almost always shortchanged.

- The poorest districts get an unequal share (less per capita) of some programs designed for disadvantaged children. When the presence of poor children generates extra funds for the City, poor districts sometimes get a smaller, rather than larger, share of the increased funds their children's needs generate. This is a prescription for perpetuating poverty.

- The five-year average for the State Legislature's discretionary grants to schools was over \$14 per student per year to the least poor districts, and \$.92 per student per year to the poorer districts.

- New York City gets the maximum State Reading Aid grant because its poor children have severe reading problems, but the poorest districts' share declined steadily, and they got less per poor student.

The CSS study outlines the causes of these inequities in funding and makes recommendations to the Board of Education and the State and Federal governments.

Educators Against Racism And Apartheid recommends that you obtain the study. It is filled with charts and graphs which you can easily use as math lessons. Through these math lessons, your students can learn about racism in education (perhaps in their education). Your class can get involved in the struggle for equity in education.

Some questions to ask:

What are some of the other signs of racism in the schools? Explore issues such as staffing, curriculum, books in the school library, class size...

Why does the government allow (perpetuate) racism in education??

Promoting Poverty:

**The Shift of Resources Away From
Low-Income New York City School
Districts**

**By Susan Breslin with
Eleanor Stier
Community Service Society of
New York
105 East 22nd Street,
New York City, NY 10010
1987
ISBN 0-88156-062-6**

President Bush Says It Is Wrong When Larger Nations Invade Smaller Nations...

What About South Africa And The FrontLine States??????

"For decades now conservative leaders in the United States, Britain, West Germany and elsewhere have sternly lectured the anti-apartheid movement against the use of economic sanctions. With monotonous regularity we have been told that "sanctions don't work," or alternatively that "sanctions will only hurt Black South Africans and the neighboring states."

But in early August, we witness U.S. President George Bush and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher leading the call for sanctions, not against South Africa, of course, but against Iraq, because of its invasion of Kuwait...

Of course, the occupation of Kuwait is a clear breach of international law. But it is far from the first crime committed by the Iraqi regime. The voices now stridently demanding respect for Kuwaiti sovereignty were strangely silent when Saddam Hussein was killing Iraqi communists, or butchering the Kurdish minority in Iraq.

Sanctions were in place against Iraq within a week of the attack on Kuwait. **South Africa began open military attacks against its neighbors in 1975, the date of its first major push into Angola - but it was only in the late 1980's that most Western governments began to take hesitant steps towards economic sanctions against Pretoria...**

Are Kuwaiti lives more precious than Mozambican ones? Is there something special about the sovereignty of Kuwait that makes it more valuable than the sovereignty of Angola?...

The United Nations estimates are that between 1980 and 1988 there were 900,000 war-related deaths in Mozambique, and 500,000 in Angola. The majority of these were children under the age of five. By now, those figures will be considerable higher, of course.

If the western world had reacted to South African aggression with the same admirable speed that it now shows towards Iraqi aggression, than most of those 1.4 million people would still be alive. Furthermore the Mozambican economy would not have been destroyed, the country would not be obliged to live on international charity, and the gov't might never have had to embark upon an IMF and World Bank sponsored structural adjustment program. But then maybe that was the whole idea...

And had the West reacted promptly to South Africa's aggression against the FrontLine States, and imposed a serious embargo, it might also, ironically enough, have helped the Kuwaiti people. For the most sophisticated artillery the Iraqi army possesses is of South African manufacture. That is the G5 mobile cannon, produced by the apartheid state-owned arms company Armscor, and which Iraq has been buying from South Africa every year since 1981."

excerpt from Mozambiquefile, August 1990



Can your students name the FrontLine States and countries in Southern Africa? From: *Apartheid Is Wrong*.

Resources



Interfaith Center On Corporate Responsibility

Literature List

American Cyanamid - Profits and
Pollution in South Africa
by Charlie Ritts. 1990. \$1.25

Banking On Apartheid. 1990.
by John Lind. An overview of US
banks financial ties to SA. \$1.25

List of South Africa's Major US
Creditors.

Manufacturers Hanover Trust
boycott postcards.

ICCR 475 Riverside Drive #566
NYC, NY 10115-0050

Apartheid Is Wrong: A Curriculum For Young People

By Paula Rogovin Bower
Produced by Educators
Against Racism and
Apartheid.

\$15. + \$5. p&h
Make checks payable to:

Educators Against Apartheid

Send orders to EARA
164-04 Goethals Avenue
Jamaica, NY 11432

Rhythms of Life: A Historical Journey

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American History

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by Lottie Porch, Teacher

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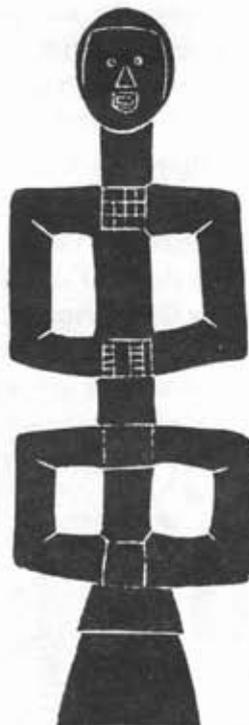
The Africa Fund

Unified List of U.S. Companies
Doing Business in South Africa
Third Edition. 1990. \$10.00

*Anti-apartheid buttons, decals,
t-shirts, paper-stick-on labels*

The Africa Fund has an extensive
list of literature about Southern
Africa.

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Republic of South Africa*

South Africa NOW

WNYC Channel 31
Wednesdays 9:30pm

WNET Channel 13
Saturdays 12:30pm
The world's only weekly
TV news magazine

Pretoria - Environmental Terrorist

"Apartheid is a killer and by far the most dangerous on the South African veld. It kills not only people, but their land and environment as well." *United Nations*

Under apartheid, 29 million Blacks (over 70% of the total population) remain marginalized on only 162,000 sq. kilometers (about 13% of the total territory). Such human pressures on fragile ecosystems have created veritable moonscapes out of the euphemistically called "homelands." Such engineered degradation fuel immiserization and conveniently drives Black labor from the "homelands" into the hands of white capitalists.

For those Black South Africans "lucky enough" to escape the bantustans, the quality of life is not much better elsewhere. Deprived of potable water, sanitation facilities, and health services, the squalid shantytowns and squatter settlements produce surreal statistics.



On the job, apartheid also insures that Blacks bear a disproportionate share of occupational hazards. Every day half a million Blacks descend into South Africa's goldmines. During an average shift two Blacks will not reemerge alive...

From Apartheid's Environmental Legacy, by John Peck

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End apartheid in South Africa and racism in the USA!