

Educators Against Apartheid

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Snap,
Crackle,
and
POP



Boycott
Kellogg's

This cartoon was designed for the Kellogg's boycott by Peter Wilson, a student at LaGuardia High School for Music and the Arts.

A number of people have written to Kellogg's Company, urging them to divest from South Africa. Here is an excerpt of a response from Kellogg's Consumer Affairs Dept.:

"...For American companies to withdraw would provide an easy victory for the proponents of apartheid...."

On the contrary, disinvestment and sanctions will eliminate the economic base of the apartheid government. On September 24, 1987, COSATU (the Coalition of South African Trade Unions) resolved

"to support the call for effective pressure which will assist in bringing about a non-violent, truly democratic and non-racial South Africa. We have declared support for comprehensive mandatory economic sanctions as one of the few options left to those fighting to end apartheid."

Please join the Kellogg's boycott. Don't eat Kellogg's cereals. Write to Kellogg's. Encourage your co-workers and students to join. Make copies of the leaflet. Let E.A.A. know if your organization wants to join the boycott. Order boycott buttons @\$1.00. Discounts for bulk orders.

TRS vs Apartheid

This is the United States, not apartheid, South Africa. Yet at the December 17, 1987 meeting of the TRS, there was a flagrant violation of our democratic rights. The TRS rushed to begin its meeting (even without the stenographer!), as if they wished to end before the public arrived. Then they refused to let the public (including E.A.A. members) speak. The meeting was adjourned, despite loud protests.

Urgent: Contact the TRS at 40 Worth Street, NYC. Also Sandra Feldman, Pres. U.F.T. 260 Park Ave. South, NYC. and Robert Wagner, Jr. Board of Education, 110 Livingston St. Bklyn. to call for FULL DIVESTMENT OF OUR PENSION FUND AND TO PROTEST THE FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF OUR DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS.

Please attend the next TRS meeting on Thursday, January 21, at 3:15pm (or as soon as you can get there). 40 Worth Street, 14th floor.

APARTHEID IS WRONG

Educators Against Apartheid would like to request that your organization put a notice in its newsletter about Apartheid is Wrong, the film-strip and cassette, narrated by Ruby Dee. It was produced by E.A.A. for grades 1 - 12, but is also useful with adults. Send \$15 + \$2 postage & handling to W. Warner, Inc. 114-36 Francis Lewis Blvd, St. Albans, NY 11412. Write checks to W. Warner, Inc. Thank you for helping to spread the word!!

Stop the Executions!

On January, 30 there will be a special meeting to call attention to the brutal detention of young people and executions of anti-apartheid activists in South Africa. YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING STUDENTS AND COWORKERS TO THIS SPECIAL SATURDAY MEETING 2PM AT RIVERSIDE CHURCH. The meeting is sponsored by E.A.A., South African Youth Against Apartheid, and Educators For Social Responsibility/Metro.

A 7 Year Old Speaks Out...

Dear President Botha,

Why do you send Black people to jail? They haven't done anything to you. What about if you were in another country and there was apartheid. You wouldn't like it. So I think you should not send people to jail or one of these days you will go to jail too. And that day will come soon. And I

have more questions coming up. I don't think you should take the Black people's country just because there is gold. I don't think that's a very good answer so why don't you just get out of South Africa. One of these days you'll be sorry. Why don't you ask the Black people if they want to share the country with you. Sincerely, Victor Perez grade 2.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Spoke Out Against Apartheid

"Africa has been depicted for more than a century as the home of Black cannibals and ignorant primitives.. Africa does have spectacular savages and brutes today, but they are not Black. They are sophisticated white rulers of S. Africa who profess to be cultured, religious and civilized, but whose conduct and philosophy stamp them unmistakably as modern-day barbarians.... We pat them on the wrist in permitting racially mixed receptions in our Embassy and by exhibiting films depicting Negro artists. But we give them massive support through American investments... The time has come to utilize non-violence (con't)

Sanctions DO Work!

(Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. con't.)
fully through a massive international boycott...No nation professing a concern for man's dignity could avoid assuming its obligation if people of all states and races were to adopt a firm stand."

Most young people do not know that over 20 years ago Dr. King, Jr. took such a strong stand against apartheid. Please contact E.A.A. for a copy of the text of his important speech so you can share it with your students and co-workers. We would like to encourage you to plan special anti-apartheid activities on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and during Black History Month.

Legislative Update

Please support the Dellums/Cranston legislation H.R.1580/S. 556. These bills call for disinvestment of all U.S. Corporations from Namibia and S. Africa within 6 months of passage. Most trade would be banned. The bills need more co-sponsors.

A LESSON FOR YOUR CLASS

Question: How Are Laws Made?

1. Have your students follow H.R.1580 /S.556. Write to Congressman Dellums for a copy of the bill, testimony of organizations supporting the bill, and other related reports.

Write: Congressman Dellums
2136 Rayburn Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515

- Perhaps Congressman Dellums will come to your school to talk about the legislation. Call (202) 225-2661.
 - Write to Washington Office on Africa 110 Maryland Avenue, N.E., Suite 112, Washington, DC 20002 to get a detailed report about this and other anti-apartheid legislation.
 - Visit a legislator from your area who supports or doesn't support the bills.
 - Plan a lobbying trip to Washington, D.C.
 - Contact these NY legislators to urge them to co-sponsor H.R.1580/S556.
Hamilton Fish R NY/21
Sherwood Boehlert R NY/25
Thomas Manton D NY/09
Matthew McHugh D NY/28
Robert Mrazek D NY/03
Henry Nowak D NY/33
James Scheuer D NY/08
Charles Schumer D NY/10
Bill Green R NY/15
Guy Molinari R NY/14
John LaFalce D NY 32
Alfonse D'Amato R NY Senate
Daniel Moynihan D NY Senate
- This is a partial list of NY legislators who should be contacted.

The S. African Gov't. has reported that exports of coal have dropped 20%. In the first half of 1986, the exports to the U.S. fell from \$1.3 billion to \$700 million. U.S. purchases of coal, steel, diamonds, and uranium fell from \$290 million to almost nothing!

Anti-Apartheid Curriculum

Educators Against Apartheid is developing a curriculum guide to accompany the filmstrip and cassette Apartheid is Wrong. The curriculum has lessons in art, music, science, reading, writing, social studies, and drama. There is a special math section written by author and E.A.A. member Claudia Zaslavsky. The curriculum committee would like to encourage YOU to help field test the materials. The committee will meet at Riverside Church on Wed., Feb. 10 at 7:30pm. Please write to E.A.A. or call Paula Bower (201) 836-6644 if you would like to participate in this important project.

STETSASONIC

Have YOU seen the video A.F.R.I.C.A. by the rap group the Stetsasonic? It's about the role of apartheid South Africa in the Front Line States. Contact The AFRICA FUND for the video and study guide. (212) 962-1210.

FRONT LINE STATES

ZIMBABWE: At E.A.A.'s December meeting Dr. Mary Bassett reported about terrorist acts and attempts by S. Africa to destabilize the economy of Zimbabwe.

MOZAMBIQUE: In December at least 70 people were killed in the ambush of a passenger train by the S. African supported MNR (Mozambique National Resistance). Many of the passengers were migrant workers returning from S. Africa.

ANGOLA: A captured soldier revealed that U.S. citizens are in the South African Army fighting inside Angola. The soldier was from the 101st Battalion of the S. African Army based in Namibia, the South West Africa Territorial Force.

Your help is needed!!!

We hope this monthly newsletter is useful to you. We'd like your comments, contributions of articles, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF MONEY TO HELP COVER COSTS OF PRINTING AND MAILING. Please make checks payable to Educators Against Apartheid.

Thank You!!!

Free Nelson Mandela.