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ANN ARBOR---A program to raise public consciousness and increase solidarity among opponents of apartheid in South Africa has been launched by a new not-for-profit corporation in Michigan.

The program initiated by International Possibilities Unlimited involves participants wearing a bracelet which bears the name of a political prisoner currently being held in South Africa, according to Debbie Robinson, who is organizing the program.

"By continuously wearing the bracelets until their prisoners are released, we hope that the participants will develop a personal bond with the individual political prisoner and his or her family," Robinson explains. "In this way, the bracelet program will not only represent one's political and international concerns, it will foster a commitment to the anti-apartheid movement on a very personal level."

Apartheid is the institutionalized economic, political, and social system in South Africa by which black people are being denied basic human rights, including the right to live where they choose, marry whom they choose, vote, and hold employment, Robinson explains.

"International pressure for the abolishment of apartheid and the release of political prisoners is stronger than ever. We feel the bracelet program is a simple yet powerful symbol of solidarity with this movement."

The bracelets are available from International Possibilities Unlimited, P.O. Box 2542, Ann Arbor, Mi. 48106 for \$6.50 each (Michigan residents add 4% sales tax). A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Free South

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Africa Movement for their leadership in the current anti-apartheid efforts in the United States, and to International Defense and Aid Fund for their long standing commitment and involvement in the defense of, and aid to, political prisoners in South Africa and their Families. A brochure containing information about the system of apartheid, the plight of political prisoners in South Africa, and other ways to support the anti-apartheid movement is included with each bracelet.

Organized to increase communication, understanding and solidarity among blacks in the African diaspora as well as increase the general population's understanding of and solidarity with issues concerning black people world wide, International Possibilities Unlimited is headed by Robinson, a University of Michigan graduate student, and three U-M faculty members, Profs. Walter Allen, Lenoard Suransky, and Alfred Edwards.