STATEMENT OF ATHLETES SUPPORTING THE BOYCOTT OF THE 1968 OLYMPIC GAMES

Statement: I join in supporting a boycott of the 1968 Mexico City Olympic Games for the following reasons:

1. Segregation and discrimination in South African sports have not been changed. Although a racially mixed contingent will be sent to the Games, athletes will be chosen in segregated trials, and non-whites who do not belong to the approved sports organizations will not be included.

2. The International Olympic Committee's acceptance of South Africa, in spite of continuing racism in South African sports, violates the Olympic Charter by contravening Principle I, which bans discrimination, and Clause 25, which asserts that National Olympic Committees must be independent of political pressure.

3. The Supreme Council for Sport in Africa (representing 32 nations) and other nations are boycotting the Games and deserve full support from all American athletes.

Therefore, an Olympic contest in which South Africa participates violates the integrity of the Games and demands non-participation by athletes.

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New York Yankees (baseball)
Los Angeles Lakers (basketball)
U.S. Davis Cup Team (tennis)
San Francisco Warriors (basketball)
University of Michigan Track Team
New York Yankees (baseball)
New York Knickerbockers (basketball)
University of Wisconsin Track Team
San Jose State College Track Team
University of Rochester Soccer Team
University of Rochester Track Team
Chicago White Sox (baseball)
University of Michigan Track Team
Columbia University Basketball Team
former San Jose State College Track Team
Yale University Track Team
San Jose State College Track Team
Boston Celtics (basketball)
Dartmouth College Swimming Team

Yale University Track and Football Teams
Signatories of Boycott Statement (continued)

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Jackie Robinson
Phil Shinnick
Joe Strawder
Elizabeth Thlaele
Ed Townsend
John D. Tyson
Chet Walker
Steve Weed
Maury Wills
Lenny Wilkins
Ulis Williams

Earl Wilson
Jim Wynn

Detroit Tigers (baseball)
Notre Dame University Track and Football Teams
Chicago Cubs (baseball)
New York Knickerbockers (basketball)
Cornell University Track Team
U.S. Olympic Track Team, 1964
Colby College Track Team
University of Michigan Track Team, Captain.
Columbia University Basketball Team
Cornell University Swimming Team (diver)
South African soccer player, presently a student at the University of Rochester.
Yale University Track Team
Houston Astros (baseball)
University of Rochester Track Team
University of Toronto Track Team
University of Rochester Soccer Team, Captain.
Yale University Track Team
San Jose State College Track Team
U.S. Olympic Swimming Team, 1964
Former Brooklyn Dodgers (baseball)
U.S. Olympic Track & Field Team, 1964 (long jump)
Detroit Pistons (basketball)
South African tennis player
Harvard University Football Team
Philadelphia 76ers (basketball)
Princeton University Track Team
Pittsburgh Pirates (baseball)
St. Louis Hawks (basketball)
U.S. Olympic Track & Field Team, 1964, winner of two gold medals.
Detroit Tigers (baseball)
Houston Astros (baseball)