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A Statement from the Christelike Jeugverenigings van die Lutherse Kerke in South West Africa (Christian Youth Organization of the Lutheran Church of South West Africa)

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Skin is the most important thing in South Africa. It enables the government to differentiate between the following facts:
(a) where one is to settle
(b) to whom one is to get married
(c) where one is to get medical treatment
(d) where and in what one is to be employed
(e) where the dead must be buried.

Creation and the Bible do not support differentiation of colour. So every true Christian is questioned to whom or to what has he to pay loyalty - to the ethnical group or to Christ?

It has occurred to the youth of the Christelike Jeugverenigins van die Lutherse Kerke in S.W.A. (Christian Youth Organization of the Lutheran Church of South West Africa) that we strongly support the decision of the International Court of Justice.

Human Rights

2. We have no freedom of speech. Once one says the truth, he is either arrested or dismissed from his job.
3. We have no freedom of movement inside S.W.A. not to mention outside. The Pass Law system, segregation between the races and the contract labour system have weakened the Unity between the youth in this land. Furthermore, this strengthens hate between the different races of Namibia.
4. Unequal salaries between Blacks and Non-Blacks, also weakens a Blacks' way of being.
5. The standard of education is limited. This again leads to under-development in this connection.
6. Everybody must therefore have the right of choice of an organization which is concerned with the welfare of the people.

Falsehood

...The government of South Africa is the most deceptive in the world - cloaking itself under Christianity. The Legislative council chiefs of the so-called Homelands are used by the South African Government as musical instruments - singing to people "EK EN MY VOLK" (My people and I). The Government of South Africa is lying to the world that there is peace and goodwill in Namibia. Yes, there is peace, BUT...at the point of a police gun.

Policemen have become school principals, inspectors, instead of fulfilling their rightful obligations. Tear gas has already been used at schools such as Augustinium in 1968 and at Ongwediva in 1971.

Fear against the U.N. and Communism

Why does South Africa abuse U.N., notwithstanding her membership of it? South Africa gives financial contributions to the U.N. How is it that the U.N. can be so bankrupt, though it gives aid to other African States?

South Africa is anti-communism. The Government of South Africa does not practise democracy in Namibia but dictatorship - which is in favour of communism. In the eyes of South Africa, communism is that:

There is no private property. Look at the houses and the cottages in the townships. These, in the plain truth, do not belong to us, but to the Municipality
or B.B.K. One can be pushed out at any time. Is this not communism?

2. Once one airs one's views, one is termed a communist or a terrorist. This Christelike Jeugvereniging regard Mr. Balthazar Johannes Vorster's meeting with church leaders and members of the Ovambo Legislative Council as a defiance of the World Court's decision. The Namibians must not be fooled.

**DO AS YOU DO IN WAR**

It is said that creation of political parties in South Africa is not prohibited. If this be the case, has it already been forgotten what Mr. Vorster once said to his followers -- that if blacks do meet for any movement, then "do as you do in war"; if they persist. The following is a clear example: Herman ya Toivo, John Otto, Jason Mutumbulwa and Gotlieg Natanael (Maxiriri) were done as is done in war, though not killed. We, Namibians, do not want to tolerate such terrifying rule.

**RADIO OWMBO**

South Africa has built a radio service of the S.A.B.C. (South African Broadcasting Corporation) in Windhoek, in order to gain favour from the inhabitants of Namibia. News we hear from this service does not resemble the news from other radio services. It is either twisted or completely changed.

**VISITORS**

Visitors wishing to find the truth are not permitted in Namibia. Only propagandists and apartheid supporters are invited. These are then taken to places such as Oshakati hospital and Ongwediva buildings. By the way, did Mr. M.C. Botha open a college at Ongwediva or simply the doors of the buildings? At this opening, Dr. Hildegarde Muller, wished the presence of U.N.'s members to see the beauty of the buildings. Is he, Mr. Muller, prepared to invite such members to come and see for themselves or, even to permit Mr. Diggs, who is now visiting South Africa, to come down and see. We are eager to see Mr. Diggs and his South African companion, Mr. Muller, in a car speeding for Ovambo. We hope it will not be night by the time they arrive at Oshivelo, otherwise Mr. Diggs will have to wait till next day so that his belongings can be searched. Mr. Muller, being a white man, will be let through, no matter how late. He will then probably send a helicopter from Oshakati to fetch Mr. Diggs.

**N.G.KERK(DUTCH REFORMED CHURCH)**

Brothers and Sisters in Christ of the N.G. Kerken though it is against your belief that we are not your brothers because we are Blacks and you Non-Blacks) it is of such grief that a white minister of religion(of your church) will not sit at table for meals with a black minister, a kaffir predikant. The Bible does not mention a white or a black heaven, nor a white or a black hell. We would like to point out very strongly that you are too late in fulfilling your biblical obligations, as Christians. But we will accept you as Namibians in the free Namibia.

**CHRISTELIKE JEUGVERENIGING VAN DIE LUTHERSE KERKE IN S.W.A. WINDHOEK**