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Dear Clergy:

If you and your congregation wish to become more informed about apartheid and what the religious community can do to help eliminate it, the Task Force on Southern Africa of the Church Council of Greater Seattle invites your congregation to utilize our resources regarding Southern Africa.

Members of our Task Force make presentations on various Southern African topics at churches on an ongoing basis. Dr. Tyna Fields, for example, former Chair of the Task Force, recently completed a six-week course on apartheid and Southern Africa at a large Eastside church. Maryamu Eltayeb, Co-Chair of the Seattle Coalition Against Apartheid, has numerous similar engagements, including a trip last year to address anti-apartheid workers in Yakima, Washington. Gary Nelson, Rev. Clarence Solberg and Helen Solberg speak frequently on Namibia, a topic of crucial importance now. Todd Hawkins is our expert on Mozambique, and Mary Frances Aldrich has spoken about her trip last summer to Zimbabwe. I am also available to speak about apartheid and economic sanctions, including divestment.

Please contact the Church Council office (525-1213) if you wish to have a speaker on Southern Africa. Even if you have your spring schedule well in place, it is not too early to begin scheduling your programs for the autumn and winter of 1989. However, we feel that time is urgent here because the killing as a result of apartheid continues while an intensive anti-sanctions campaign, encouraged by the South African regime, is being waged here in the United States.

We welcome your interest and look forward to hearing from you if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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