The volume of interest and protest concerning South African apartheid has grown extensively since April, 1964, when the first African Freedom Day Action Against Apartheid Conference was held.

During the past year, numerous adult and student organizations have begun their own programs of education and action. The American Student Council for Action Against Apartheid, which grew out of the African Freedom Day Conference, has attempted and will attempt to keep the lines of communication between the many emerging groups as complete as possible.

Our present program will be periodic news releases about action projects and current topics of interest on South Africa. Our hope is that a central source of information and dispersal of proposals for action will lead to more efficient pressures toward a change in American policy. Here is a summary of conferences and actions which will be held this spring. They represent a cross-section of approaches to the problem of bringing about a change in United States policy toward South Africa. There is undoubted need for increased education about Apartheid, especially of adult and student leadership. At the same time, it is necessary to continue to seek means of dramatically expressing current concerns to the government and other relevant sectors of American society.

1. **Conference on South Africa**, The University of Michigan
   February 25-28
   Sponsored by a number of campus and national organizations, The University of Michigan National Student Association is conducting a conference "to expose and analyze the differing views of apartheid."
   The conference will feature G. Mennen Williams, Undersecretary of State for African Affairs, Professor Dennis Cown, University of Chicago Law School (keynoter), Dirk C. Rezelman, South African Information Service, Joseph B. Phillips, Ghana Mission to the United Nations, John Shingler and Magnus Gunther (both ex-Presidents of the National Union of South African Students and representatives of Business and the American Committee on Africa.
   Contact: Sue Orrin
   NSA Chairman
   1532 Student Activities Building
   Ann Arbor, Michigan
   ($4 registration fee)


   Led by a minister from South Africa, this seminar will attempt to give in depth discussion to the problems of U.S. policy. Boycott or investment? Are there alternatives? Is there a peaceful solution? Christian Theology of Racial Ideology?
Contact: The Reverend Kenneth N. Carstens
Room 1100, Church Center for the U.N.
777 U.N. Plaza
New York, New York 10017


This is the most hopeful development of the year in the field of action. The conference is sponsored by over two dozen national student and adult organizations. The format will consist of general speeches on "A Critique of U. S. Approach to South Africa," and "A Proposal for a Dynamic U. S. Policy." This will be accompanied by panels on many areas of the South African problem and seminars on aspects of U. S. policy. Finally, and perhaps most importantly, there will be groups for planning action and visitations to Senators, Congressmen, the White House and State Department. (see enclosed folder). The significance of the conference is that it will combine discussion with proposals for action and actual pressure.

Contact: Consultative Council on South Africa
Room 705
211 E. 43rd Street
New York City, New York 10017
($10 registration)

4. The Students for a Democratic Society are considering some form of sit-in action to point up the tremendous involvement of U.S. business in the South African economy. The action to be taken at one or several places: the Chase Manhattan Bank and/or the Chrysler Corporation. It will coincide with the Sharpville Weekend March 21-23. Tentative date is March 19.

Contact: Tod Gitlin
1100 E. Washington Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

5. South Africa Freedom Action Committee (SAFAC)

This west coast group is seeking to exert pressure on U.S. business and tourism with South Africa by pickets, sit-in, and enlisting support from dockworkers to refuse to unload cargoes of South African goods, and entertainers to refuse to play in South Africa unless non-racial audiences can be arranged.

Contact: Judith Dollemayer
11650 Gorham Place
Los Angeles 49, California

We will continue to publicize programs or action projects concerning South Africa as we hear of them. In the future we will concentrate on bringing current news and relevant comments on the South African situation.