

BRIEF BIOGRAPHY ON MR. PREXY NESBITT

Mr. Nesbitt is an Afro-American currently serving as Executive Associate for the American Committee on Africa. His primary work is with the Committee to Oppose Bank Loans to South Africa, which is focusing on a nation-wide campaign to stop banks from making loans to South Africa in any form. This campaign is receiving nation-wide attention, as this packet indicates. He is serving as National Coordinator for the Committee to Oppose Bank Loans to South Africa.

Before moving to New York to work for the American Committee on Africa, Mr. Nesbitt was based in Chicago where he helped form the African-American Solidarity Committee, the Committee for the Liberation of Angola, Mozambique and Guine-Bissau (now known as the Chicago Committee for African Liberation), as well as the Amilcar Cabral Study Group. He spent a year as an organizer for the Service Employees International Union (Local 372) during 1976. He was also Dean of Students for a school for "incorrigibles" in Chicago's West Side and did counseling with youth gangs.

He helped form the widely respected Africa Information Service (originally in New York and now based in North Carolina) and co-edited Return to the Source, selected speeches of Amilcar Cabral. He has published various articles on Africa and the national liberation movements struggling there. Likewise, he has been a lecturer at various colleges and universities.

He has been to Africa six times where he worked a year for the Mozambique Liberation Secondary School, a year in northern Kenya on famine relief, and spent two years studying African History at the College of Dar Es Salaam. He has also been to several conferences in southern Africa. He went to Havana in February 1976 to meet with the MPLA and convened the Angola Support Conference held in Chicago May 1976.

He travels throughout the country speaking and working with various groups and organizations and is well acquainted with the actions and support work being done in North America.