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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING:
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1986
7:30 P.M.
ARBOR HILL COMMUNITY CENTER
50 N. LARK ST., ALBANY, N.Y.

MAIN TOPIC:

The Divestment Campaign
1. planning for March 7th Rally at State Comptroller Regan's office
   (see attached flyer)
2. Speaker from a State Senator's office
3. status of divestment bill in the Senate
   SHARPEVILLE COMMEMORATION - Mar. 21st
   (see attached flyer)

DIVESTMENT LEGISLATION UPDATE: A Senate version of the divestment bill approved by the New York State Assembly has been introduced in the New York State by Senator Velmanette Montgomery. The purpose of this proposed legislation is to divest New York State's monies from companies that do business in South Africa; and to divest New York State of any economic involvement with the apartheid South African regime. The Senate bill is #S-7151. The bill is in the Senate Finance Committee. The Chairman of that committee, Senator John J. Marchi, has already issued a report criticizing the divestment proposal. On or about March 10, 1986, Senator Montgomery will ask the Senate to vote on whether or not the bill should be voted out of the committee and to the floor of the Senate to debate. Please call your local Senator, and Senate Majority Leader Warren Anderson and tell them that (1) you want Senate bill #S-7151 to be debated on the floor of the Senate and (2) you also want their full support of this bill.

- Senator Howard Nolos, 455-2657 (supports divestment)
- Senator Joseph L. Bruno, 455-2346 (opposes)
- Senator Hugh T. Farley, 455-2325 (opposes)
- Senator Warren M. Anderson, 455-2276. (opposes)

These calls should be made on March 3, 4 and/or 5. For updated information on divestment, call the Peace & Justice Commission at 463-4411, or the Coalition at 436-0562.
BUS TO PHILADELPHIA: The Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid & Racism sent a bus to the recent 15, 1985 March Against Racism in Philadelphia, PA. Thanks to Leslie, Shelly, Susan and Sipho and their committee for their hard work in organizing this trip and selling bus tickets. A special thanks to the Albany Central Labor Federation and the Solidarity Committee for their financial contributions to the expenses of the bus. Many local people who were unable to attend saw the news coverage of this event on CNN news.

COALITION SPEAKERS ON THE ROAD: A thank you to Japhet Zwana for speaking at Doane Stuart School, and to Japhet Zwana, Merton Simpson, and Talitha Simpson who all spoke at the YWCA program on South Africa; also to Vera Michelson who spoke at the Albany Central Labor Federation and to an employee group at Pilgrim's State Hospital on Long Island; and Rufus Collier, Vera Michelson and Sipho Seepe, who spoke to the PEF Unit at the Department of Environmental Conservation. For more information about Coalition speakers, call the Coalition at 436-0562.

MALCOLM X STUDY NETWORK is selling books on Black liberation, education and international issues, as well as children's books. To purchase a book or arrange to have a book display at the next meeting or function of your group, call Odell Winfield at 463-4654.

THE BLACK ISSUES CONFERENCE COMMITTEE is planning a May program entitled, "Our Teachers, Our Heroes," to recognize good teaching in the local schools. For more information, or to offer suggestions, call 463-4654.

SOUTH AFRICAN BISHOP: Our area and the State University will be honored on March 5, 1986, by the visit of Right Rev. Bishop Patrick Matolengwe to Albany. Bishop Matolengwe was the first Black Anglican Bishop in Capetown, South Africa, and is a leader in the Capetown anti-apartheid movement. Bishop Matolengwe works closely with Bishop Tutu. Rev. Matolengwe will speak on Wednesday, March 5, 1986, at 8:00 p.m. at the Campus Centre Ballroom on the uptown SUNYA campus as part of World Week. For more information, call the Office of Campus Life at 442-5566.

DO YOU WORK IN DOWNTOWN ALBANY? - We need you to pass out flyers in your building to tell people about the March 7, 1986 noontime rally. Call 436-0562 or 462-2542 to get flyers for your co-workers and then bring all your colleagues to the rally. Community, union and legislative leaders will speak. Show your support for divestment of State monies from South Africa!

To contact the Coalition Against Apartheid & Racism call (518) 436-0562

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