CAPITAL DISTRICT
COALITION AGAINST
APARTHEID AND RACISM

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"South Africa:
The People Rise Up"

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Declaration of the United Democratic Front

We, the freedom loving people of South Africa, say with one voice to the whole world that we
cherish the vision of a united, democratic South Africa based on the will of the people,
will strive for the unity of all people through united action against the evils of apartheid, economic and all other
forms of exploitation.

And, in our march to a free and just South Africa, we are guided by these noble ideals:

- We stand for the creation of a true democracy in which all South Africans will participate in the government of our country;
- We stand for a single non-racial, unfragmented South Africa. A South Africa free of bantustans and Group
   Areas;
- We say, all forms of oppression and exploitation must end.

In accordance with these noble ideals, and on this 20th day of August 1983 at Rocklands Civic Center, Mitchell's Plain, we join hands as trade union, community, women's, student's, religious, sporting and other organisations to say no to Apartheid.

We know that:
- Apartheid will continue;
- White domination and exploitation will continue;
- That forced removals, the Group Areas Act and the Bantustans will remain.
- There will not be an end to the unequal distribution of the land, wealth and resources of the country.
- That the migratory labour system will live on to destroy family life.
- The government will always use false leaders to become its junior partners and to control us. Our lives will still be filled with fears of harassment, bannings, detentions and death.

Mindful of the fact that the new Constitutional Proposals and Koornhof measures will further entrench apartheid and white domination,

We commit ourselves to uniting all our people wherever they may be in the cities and countryside, the factories and mines, schools, colleges and universities, housing and sports fields, churches, mosques and temples, to fight for our freedom.

We therefore resolve to stand shoulder to shoulder in our common struggle and commit ourselves to work together to:
- Organise and mobilise all community, worker, student, women, religious, sporting and other organisations under the banner of the United Democratic Front;
- Consult our people regularly and honestly and bravely and strive to represent their views and aspirations;
- Educate all about the coming dangers and the need for unity;
- Build and strengthen all organisations of the people;
- Unite in action against these Bills and other day-to-day problems affecting our people.

And now therefore we pledge to come together in the United Democratic Front and fight side by side against the government's constitutional proposals and the Koornhof bills.
The Capital District Coalition Against Apartheid and Racism, Albany, New York

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