FREE SOUTH AFRICA NOW!
END U.S. AID TO APARTHEID

COME TO A RALLY TO DEMONSTRATE:

- OUR OUTRAGE AT THE BRUTAL OPPRESSION OF SOUTH AFRICA'S BLACK MAJORITY BY THE WHITE MINORITY GOVERNMENT
- OUR ANGER AT REAGAN'S COLLABORATION WITH THAT OPPRESSION
- OUR SOLIDARITY WITH THE WAVES OF ANTI-APARTHEID PROTESTS SWEEPING SOUTH AFRICA AND THE U.S.
- OUR SUPPORT FOR A DRAMATIC ACT OF NON-VIOLENT CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE WHICH WILL BE HAPPENING HERE IN ALBANY AT THE SAME TIME

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1985  5:00 P.M.
FEDERAL BUILDING, N. PEARL & CLINTON, ALBANY
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FREE SOUTH AFRICA: A MOVEMENT Whose TIME IS NOW

WHAT IS APARTHEID? In South Africa, the white 17% of the population owns and controls all of the land, wealth and power — at the expense of black South Africans, who are the vast majority (83%). Under the system of racial domination called "apartheid," Black South Africans have a separate, inferior education system; need special permission to travel anywhere inside their own country; can be forced to leave their families, live in workers' barracks and be paid sub-minimum wages; can be shipped to remote barren areas and forced to live there; and ARE NOT EVEN CONSIDERED CITIZENS OF THE COUNTRY WHERE THEY WERE BORN, AND WHICH THEY BUILT WITH THEIR LABOR: THEY CANNOT VOTE.

WHY DO BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS PUT UP WITH IT? They don't. In the 1800's, it took Britain, the world's strongest military power, 100 years to crush the resistance of the Black peoples of Southern Africa. Since 1912, when they formed the African National Congress (ANC), Black South Africans have fought for their rights through every channel open to them. After 1960, when their peaceful protests were met with guns, they added armed struggle to their means of seeking justice. IN 1984, THERE WAS A NEW STORM OF RESISTANCE TO APARTHEID BY THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS, WORKERS, AND RESIDENTS OF THE BLACK TOWNSHIPS. ONCE AGAIN, THE GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE WAS GUNS AND PRISONS.

WHY IS IT TAKING THEM SO LONG? The white government of South Africa uses an immense and powerful military and police force backed by sophisticated technology to maintain this unjust system. THE ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL RESOURCES THAT ALLOW THEM TO DO THIS COME PRIMARILY FROM EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES. Under the Reagan administration, the U.S. has become South Africa's leading trade partner, supplying crucial computers, military and nuclear technology, and large amounts of MONEY.

A MOVEMENT Whose TIME Is NOW: A wave of anti-apartheid protests is now sweeping across the U.S. Called the Free South Africa Movement, it started in Washington in November. Since then, dozens of prominent legislators, labor officials, religious leaders, civil rights activists and Black community leaders have been arrested for acts of civil disobedience at the South African embassy, and the protests have spread across the country. The movement's demands are:

(1) Release of labor leaders imprisoned in South Africa
(2) Release of Nelson Mandela, leader of the African National Congress, and all other political prisoners
(3) End Reagan's policy of collaboration (called "constructive engagement") with apartheid
(4) Divest (withdraw) all public money (for example, pension funds) from U.S. corporations and banks doing business with racist South Africa; end all U.S. investments, loans and trade with South Africa

MAJORITY RULE IN SOUTH AFRICA! END APARTHEID!