

## ILLINOIS LABOR NETWORK AGAINST APARTHEID

### Action Plan for January - March 1988

#### 1. Imprisonment/trials of labor leaders

- A. Send letters from Network and individuals unions to Pres. Botha & U.S. State Department demanding release of Moses Mayekiso and others on trial for treason and stronger U.S. government action.
- B. Send petitions to union locals asking them to circulate and return. Demand release of all trade unionists, an end to violence against unions and that the U.S. government break all relations with South Africa unless prisoners are released and violence ends. (end Jan.-mid March)
- C. Have labor demonstration on a weekday, lunchtime, at the Federal Plaza. (end of March/early April)
- D. Prepare an up-to-date list of all imprisoned labor leaders for distribution to local unions. (February)
- E. Get City Council and State Legislature to pass resolutions calling for the release of union leaders. (as early as possible)
- F. Send a letter to COSATU (Congress of South African Trade Unions) informing them of our actions. (February)

#### 2. Shell Boycott

- A. Research on major users of Shell Oil in metropolitan area, and select a target(s) to go after. (Contact Local 705 Teamsters)
- B. Send a packet of information on the Shell boycott to union locals.

#### 3. Comprehensive Sanctions

- A. Send letters from Network chairs to Illinois Congressional delegation asking for support and leadership on Cranston bill.
- B. Send letters from Network chairs to Democratic Presidential candidates calling for Comprehensive Sanctions in the platforms.

#### 4. Other

- A. Have press conference announcing formation of the Network, the demonstration and City Council and State resolutions.
- B. Prepare a list of available films, materials and speakers on South Africa for local unions (reviewed by Steering Committee).
- C. Plan an educational strategy conference on Southern Africa for later in the year. (Get Bill Adelman & Bill Bork involved.)
- D. Plan a large special event (a concert?) to raise money for COSATU and the Network for later in the year.
- E. Begin developing direct ties between unions in SA & Illinois.
- F. Consider labor's participation with other groups in the June 16 Soweto demonstration in Chicago.