MACSA...

...is the Madison Area Committee on Southern Africa, an organization devoted to working toward revolutionary change in southern Africa, including the Portuguese colonies of Mozambique, Angola, and Guinea-Bissau.

To that end, MACSA has two main aims. Firstly, to support the active liberation groups with money and materiel, in their opposition to the racist regimes of South Africa, Namibia, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) and the Portuguese colonies. This evening's dance is part of the fund-raising campaign; the on-going collection of medicines, hiking gear, and clothing is part of the campaign for materiel.

Secondly, MACSA is attempting to provide information to the Madison area community about apartheid and the colonialist regimes of southern Africa, with a view to creating a nucleus of interested persons capable of exerting pressure on American corporation and government concerns. We hope this will lead to the total disengagement and withdrawal of American business interests in this area.

If you would like to know more about MACSA and the regimes it is opposing, come to the Symposium workshop on "Oppression and Liberation in Southern Africa", March 20 (Saturday) at 1 p.m. Two UW professors from southern Africa will lead the discussion, along with several students.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of MACSA will be held Sunday, March 28 at 2 p.m. in the University YWCA, 306 North Brooks Street. Topic of discussion will be American involvement in southern Africa, with an emphasis on Wisconsin's business interests there.

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Would you give South Africa nuclear power? A Wisconsin firm, Allis-Chalmers, did. Numerous Wisconsin-based firms are heavily involved in South Africa. A MACSA pamphlet, "Is Southern Africa Wisconsin's Business" has details of them. It is available from MACSA, 306 N. Brooks St., Madison, 53715, for 45c.

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Perhaps you saw the full page ads that the Polaroid Corporation ran January 13 in over 20 newspapers, in answer to the demands of its workers that it withdraw completely from South Africa. But do you know the real story behind that ad? The pamphlet "Is Southern Africa Wisconsin's Business" has some information. Chris Bishop, 255-3507, who is in charge of the Polaroid project in Madison, has more. Contact her if you can help with the boycott.

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DENNIS BRUTUS, South African Revolutionary Poet and sportsman may be speaking in Madison around the time of the 10th anniversary of the Sharpeville Massacre (March 21, 1960), when white police killed 69 people and wounded 257. The people had gathered in a peaceful protest against the "pass" laws of South Africa.

Watch for signs announcing the talk by Dennis Brutus.
Would you have come to the University of Wisconsin if you had been forced to agree to the following when you applied:

"The University Council cannot... allow students to join this community who are not prepared to associate themselves with the university, and who participates in activities implying a rejection of the university.

"If it should appear that a student does not fulfill this requirement, he will have to leave the campus immediately.

"There is... no need to stage protests or strikes, which may disrupt or cause difficulties in any activities at, or of, the university. A student guilty of engaging in any such action... whether peaceful or violent, will have to leave the campus forthwith, or be subject to other measures approved by the council.

Every black South African wishing to enter the newly independent University of the North for Africans must sign a statement at the bottom of the declaration that "I hereby declare that I wish to be accepted as a student and that I have read the statement and understand it fully, and that I will undertake to abide by it." There is, of course, no such statement for white students attending their separate universities in South Africa.

All education for Blacks in South Africa is under the Bantu Education Department. They operate under the stated premise that "the Bantu must be guided to serve his own community. There is no place for him in the European (white) community above the level of certain forms of labor."

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It is regimes like South Africa, which enact arbitrary legislation like this, that liberation groups like FRELIMO in Mozambique, ZAPU in Zimbabwe, MPLA in Angola, and PAIGC in Guinea Bissau, are fighting against. MACSA is trying to help them in their struggle. Last year MACSA was able to contribute over $600 to liberation groups recognized by the OAU.

If you can help in any way -- time, money, materiel, and energy are all needed, contact:

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