To All British Air Employees and Others Who Use This Building

British Air maintains an arrangement with South African Airways, which is owned by the apartheid regime in Pretoria, that enables SAA to use the British Air terminal at Kennedy Airport. We want this arrangement ended, and all operations of the South African racist minority government booted out of the United States, including ‘Air Apartheid’.

Unfortunately, British Air continues to harbor the hate-mongers of South Africa. Consequently, a number of actions have taken place in the BA terminal at Kennedy Airport, including one just a few weeks ago, in which shanties were built at the gate to the plane, motor oil was poured over the baggage check-in scales and counter rendering them inoperable for the evening, and the gates across the departure ramp were chained shut, delaying passengers heading for the British Air terminal. Six people were arrested.

Brooklynites Against Apartheid is expanding the campaign. We will continue our unannounced, non-violent disruptions of business as usual at South African Airways, but we now will also zero in on British Air’s role in this sordid business. So one day, if you find some of us “wandering” through your offices dismantling British Airways operations little by little, and making life a bit more difficult for BA management, just give us a wink and don’t say a word—that’s all you need to do, for now, just like the porters at British Airways in Kennedy Airport.

There’s lots of anti-apartheid elves all over the place, in the most unlikely of places, nibbling away at those who bolster racism, until the monolith tumbles along with all who propped it up.

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