The Gulf Boycott Coalition (GBC), represented by 14 people, held its second annual Liberation Celebration at Gulf's stockholders meeting April 24th in Pittsburgh. The above cartoon (minus the figures and name) was presented to the Coalition by Mr. William Cox, Gulf's public relations man, the day before the meeting. The theme of independence was used for our Liberation Celebration. People attending the meeting were leafleted with the enclosed Liberty Bell flyer by a woman dressed as the one in the above cartoon and a man with a red, white and blue "Uncle Sam" hat. We later discovered that Gulf personnel's security clearance sign for the stockholders meeting was a small Liberty Bell lapel pin. We were told that some of their security people were upset that we were using "their" symbol. We hope the message on our flyer makes an impression and that they will think seriously about the meaning of the Liberty Bell.

During the meeting GBC people asked questions which were answered by Gulf Vice President Paul Sheldon, recently returned from Angola, who stated emphatically that Gulf was not exploring in Mozambique, had no such intentions, and was not going into South Africa.

Five GBC people also made statements voicing the concerns of people in the 40 cities in the U.S. where the boycott is alive for the people of Angola. At the end of their statement each one turned in a credit card to a Gulf representative.
Ms. Pat Roach read the following statement from Congressman Charles Diggs. The statement was phoned to her the morning of the stockholders meeting.

"Since its large oil discovery in Cabinda in 1966, Gulf Oil Corporation has increased the Portuguese capacity to wage war against African peoples fighting for self-determination in Guinea Bissau, Angola and Mozambique. Last year alone Gulf Oil paid approximately $50 million in taxes and royalties to the Lisbon government. Since Portugal, the sick man of Europe, is spending nearly 50% of its national budget on defense one can reasonably assume that Gulf Oil revenues are helping defray the cost of these wars in Africa. The Portuguese have not hesitated to use napalm and herbicides to ravage the land and people of these territories. In the name of humanity and self-interest we call upon Gulf Oil to:

1. 'Save' the oil in Cabinda until self-determination is granted. According to Article 14 of the Cabinda Concession Agreement with Portugal, "From the beginning of exploration in Cabinda Gulf Oil Corporation shall have full freedom to produce, save, sell, and export under such terms and conditions as it deems advisable, and all substances extracted from the area of the concession."

2. To make substantial contributions to the Angolan people and the liberation movements in Guinea Bissau, Angola, and Mozambique."

Ms. Roach closed the Liberation Celebration with a prayer asking for wisdom and guidance for the newly elected Board of Directors as they consider their responsibility to the people of Angola and also for the people in the United States who are witnessing to Gulf by boycotting Gulf products.

Because of the financial drain of putting out the GBC newsletter and other daily operations of the coalition we are asking you to officially join the Gulf Boycott Coalition by making a financial contribution. The rewards for such contributions are as follows:

- $1.00--Membership Card
- $5.00--$25.00--Membership Card encased in plastic
- $100.00--Hand printed GBC scroll suitable for framing
- $1,000.00--Trophy with a choice of the following lettering:
  a) WORLD'S GREATEST CONTRIBUTOR TO GBC, or
  b) GULF'S GREATEST ENEMY

Those of you who have already contributed will receive your membership cards soon.

Enclosed is a paper which asks you to list 10 names and addresses of people who might be interested in the GBC to whom we can write using your name. Please fill these out and return promptly.

The volume of orders has forced us to rethink our policies regarding printing, postage, and supplying unlimited quantities of flyers. The next newsletter will give a breakdown of the new policy. Costs of large orders placed before then may reflect this increase.

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