Don't Support Portuguese Colonialism & Murder in Africa

Learn what's really happening in Angola—a colony fighting for freedom.

Protest: METCALF’S "ANGOLA: ANOTHER AFRICA"

A film and presentation made at the request of Portugal's government, which glorifies their colonial policies.

Meet Monday, Nov. 26, 7 pm at MACSA office, 731 State St., or later outside of Wis. Union Theatre.

ATTEND: alternate presentation on Angola with Fred Brancel, a missionary who was expelled by the colonial govt. (with slide show).

Tuesday, Nov. 27th, 7:30 pm Union (see Union Today for room).
Concerned African Students in Madison,
The Madison Area Committee on Southern Africa (MACSA), Young Workers Liberation League (WILL), and other concerned individuals strongly protest the showing of ANGOLA: A DIFFERENT AFRICA being shown in the Union Theater Monday, November 25th at 8 pm as part of the Union's travel Adventure Film Series.

While the stated aim of the film made by James Metcalf at the request of the Portuguese government is to show that Angola is an 'advancing, integrated nation' and to show what is really going on in Angola, the claim is incorrect and a blatant distortion. Such misinformation about another part of Africa led to the death of two Canadian tourist girls caught in the crossfire of armed struggle for self-determination.

Angola has been a Portuguese colony for the past 500 years, its African population of 5 million experiencing slavery (forced labor on European settler farms, plantations, and mines), abject lack of health and educational facilities, and brutal social and political suppression. Peaceful attempts at achieving African self-determination and independence failed and have resulted in armed struggle for the past decade.

Ralph Sandler, staff advisor to the Union's film committee, and James Metcalf, however, insist that the film is apolitical. According to Mr. Sandler, it purports to show the 'rich' natural resources, including coffee beans and native African tribesmen, plantations, game, and safari-type country, etc. The exploitation of these provide the 400,000 Portuguese settlers and their government with revenue to fight their colonialist wars in Angola, Mozambique & the Rep. of Guinea-Bissau.

MACSA's offer to participate in presenting a balanced and truly educational program was refused. However, we plan an alternate program of slides and discussions led by Fred Brancel, a missionary expelled from Angola by the Portuguese. It will be held in the Memorial Union at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov 27 (room posted on Union Notice Board). We invite everyone to attend.

Second, we intend to stage an informational picket of the movie on Monday night. Persons interested in joining us should meet at 7 pm at the MACSA office in Press House (731 State St).

Third, we wish to reiterate the continuing boycott of all Portuguese products and U.S. corporate investments in Southern Africa (see, Gulf Oil) which finance the Portuguese war effort. We refer especially to Allegria Wine now being rest marketed in the Madison area by the Heublein Corp.

For further information call Steve: 262-9739 or Ofosu: 257-5271 or stop by the MACSA office.

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