Membership. Membership in the coalition shall be open to any group or individual in the Chicago area fulfilling the following:

1. Agreement with the points of unity.
2. Active participation in coalition meetings and activities.

Such groups and/or individuals are eligible to vote in coalition meetings, which will normally be held on a monthly basis. Meetings shall be convened (and agendas developed) by the Steering Committee. A member of the Steering Committee shall chair the meetings, on a rotating basis.

Steering Committee. The Steering Committee shall hold open sessions, approximately bi-weekly, convened by the coordinators. A quorum for conducting business shall consist of four members. All members of the Steering Committee shall be selected by the total coalition. The Steering Committee shall be composed of:

- 2 coordinators
- 1 secretary
- 1 treasurer
- 3 chairpersons of standing committees

Standing Committees. Active participation on standing committees shall be open to any members of the coalition. Committee tasks and responsibilities shall include:

Project Development.
(1) Receiving and evaluating all project proposals, e.g., for actions, demonstrations, legislative action, etc.
(2) Recommending to the total coalition, through the Steering Committee, specific projects and means of implementation.
(3) Maintaining a continuing relationship with any ad hoc arrangements for specific projects.

Resources.
(1) Preparation and production of leaflets, pamphlets, posters, buttons, fact sheets, etc.
(2) Cataloguing of already existing resources; listing available films, slide shows, speakers; preparing bibliographies; proposing most effective means for equitable sharing of information, pooling resources and contacts.

Communication.
(1) Handling media work, establishing press contacts, preparing press releases, writing letters to editors, etc.
(2) Establishing outreach contacts among community, church, labor, campus groups; developing means for more effective outreach and follow-up.

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CHICAGO COALITION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA

POINTS OF UNITY

1. We recognize that Southern Africa is a crucial area in the search for human justice and that the Republic of South Africa is the pivotal country in the area.

2. We support the efforts of the people of Southern Africa and their liberation movements in striving to free their countries from foreign and white minority domination.

3. We oppose the role of the United States Government and transnational corporations in supporting colonial and minority rule in Southern Africa; therefore, we are committed to analyzing the issues, disseminating information about the economic, military and political activities of the United States in the region, and, when necessary, confronting the power structure.

4. We understand the direct link between the system of racism here and in Southern Africa and are committed to its elimination.

5. We recognize the need for and are committed to mobilization and educational work in the Chicago area, particularly in Black and Third World communities, but also in all communities of Chicago.

Southern Africa is defined as the area which includes Angola, Namibia (Southwest Africa), South Africa, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia), Zambia, Mozambique and Zaire.

PROPOSED REVISED COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

The steering committee after much thinking and planning recommends the following as a new structure for the CSAC:

Three committees: Legislative, Resources, Communication

Each committee to be headed by a coordinator who shall be nominated and elected from the broad coalition body. For the purpose of the election we propose the following procedure:
1 vote per member organization, 1 vote per individual member.

Each committee to be charged with the following tasks and responsibilities:

Legislative: 1. monitoring of pertinent legislation, congressional & administration actions, committee & subcommittee hearings and reports.
2. establishing contact with Washington organizations such as the Washington Office on Africa and the Coalition for a New Foreign and Military Policy.
3. undertaking lobbying actions—constituent pressure by organizing petition campaigns, telegrams, letters, mailgrams, visits to representatives.

Resources: 1. preparation and production of leaflets, pamphlets, posters, buttons, fact sheets, etc.
2. cataloguing of already existing resources; listing available films, slide shows, speakers; preparing bibliographies; proposing most effective means for equitable sharing of information, pooling resources & contacts.

Communication: 1. taking on regular 'office' tasks to improve internal communication: taking and distributing minutes of meetings, preparing a phone tree, handling Coalition finances, answering correspondence.
2. handling media work, establishing press contacts, preparing press releases, writing letters to editor, etc.
3. outreach—establishing contacts among community, church, labor, campus groups. Developing (projects) programs for more effective outreach.

It is proposed that the current steering committee be abolished and replaced by the new subcommittee coordinators. The steering committee would be responsible for general coordination of work, attending bi-weekly meetings, and convening monthly whole coalition meetings. During crisis periods it is understood that the whole coalition would meet with greater frequency.