ARCHBISHOP TUTU WILL ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY FOR HARVARD UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF OVERSEERS. TUTU AND 4 OTHER PRO-DIVESTMENT CANDIDATES
TO MEET PRESS ON THREE CONTINENTS ON THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 1989.

NOTE TO EDITORS: All information in this press advisory is strictly
embargoed until Thursday, March 9, 1989, at 12 noon local time in Cape Town,
South Africa, in Bogota, Colombia, and in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu and four other pro-divestment petition
candidates for the Harvard Board of Overseers will announce their three-
continent slate during meetings with the press at 12 noon (local time) on
Thursday, March 9, 1989 at the University of the Western Cape in Cape Town,
South Africa, in Harvard Yard in Cambridge, Massachusetts, and in Bogota,
Colombia. All five candidates are committed to rapid and complete
divestment of Harvard's $230.9 million still invested in companies doing
business in South Africa.

Running for the Board with Archbishop Tutu are Linda Davidoff,
Executive Director of the Parks Council of New York; Dr. Ephraim Isaac,
Director, Semitic Institute, Princeton, N.J.; Clara Lopez, Professor of
Economics, Universidad Externada de Colombia; and Robert Zevin, Senior Vice
President, United States Trust Company, Boston, Massachusetts. Archbishop
Tutu was awarded an honorary LLD by Harvard in 1979. The other candidates
attended either Harvard or Radcliffe College. (See the attached
biographical sketches.)

Calling Harvard 'a great leader in world education,' the Archbishop
declares, in a prepared statement to be released on March 9: 'The time has
come for Harvard to become a moral leader as well in the worldwide struggle

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against apartheid." Harvard's endowment has a market value of 4.2 billion dollars, according to the University's Financial Report to the Board of Overseers which was released in December, 1988. It grew by 138 million dollars during the last fiscal year.

The petitions placing the five candidates on the spring election ballot were circulated by Harvard-Radcliffe Alumni/ae Against Apartheid (HRAAA), a three-year-old organization that elected to the Board of Overseers one candidate (Gay Seidman) in 1986, and two candidates (Consuela Washington and Peter Wood) in 1987, all for six year terms. The Harvard Alumni Association has nominated ten candidates for the five positions on the Board. Starting on April 7th, the University will mail the 1989 ballots to 160,000 alumni/ae in all parts of the world. The results of the election will be made public on June 8, 1989 - Commencement Day at Harvard.

For further background information, please note the June 12, 1987 New York TIMES story which is reprinted on the back of Archbishop Tutu's biographical sketch, enclosed herewith along with four others. Any advance interviews with the candidates, whether in person or by telephone, are also embargoed until 12 noon on March 9.

The candidates will meet the press at the following locations:

Archbishop Tutu will be on the campus of the University of the Western Cape in Cape Town, South Africa, of which he is Chancellor, on March 9, and will be available to the media upon request. He may be reached through his press aide, John Allen, at (telephone) 27 21 712 531; FAX: 27 21 714 193.

Linda Davidoff, Ephraim Isaac, and Robert B. Zevin will be in Harvard Yard at noon, outside Massachusetts Hall, the site of the office of President Derek Bok, a staunch foe of divestment.

Clara Lopez will be in the Press Room of the Bogota City Council at noon in Bogota, Colombia, Telephone: 57-1-269-8047 Telex: 44364 Bogota

The full text of Archbishop Tutu's March 9th statement follows:

I have decided to allow Harvard-Radcliffe Alumni/ae Against Apartheid to place my name in nomination for the Harvard University Board of Overseers, so that I may work directly to persuade the Harvard administration to divest itself of investments in companies that continue to do business in South Africa. Harvard is a great leader in world education. The time has come for Harvard to become a moral leader as well in the world-wide struggle against apartheid. With her help, and the help of men and women of good will throughout the world, we shall one day soon transform my beautiful and troubled land into a genuinely democratic, non-racial society.
Linda Davidoff

Executive Director, Parks Council of New York City.

1962 graduate of Radcliffe College; Master’s Degree in City Planning, University of Pennsylvania, 1965.

1985 Visiting Assistant Professor of Urban Planning, Pratt Institute

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1988 Candidate for Mayor of Bogota.

1987 President of Bogota City Council.

1980-2 Comptroller-General, City of Bogota.

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