Dear Friend:

I hope that you will find the enclosures useful in your study of Southern Africa and in your support for the African liberation movements which are struggling to end colonialism and minority rule. They include: 1) A leaflet about the U.S. Government's approval of the sale of Boeing 707s for troop transport in Africa. Delivery is not for three months, so there is time to stop this new aid to Portuguese colonialism, and 2) A flyer about a special issue of Africa Today with an order blank. Its title is Apartheid and Imperialism: A Study of U.S. Corporate Involvement in South Africa, and activists will find the information invaluable in understanding the U.S. role in southern Africa, and what our targets in the United States must be.

In addition, there are three current campaigns which require your action and response.

First, ACOA and other groups are involved in a continuing campaign against Gulf Oil Corporation's involvement in Portuguese Africa, and we have plans aimed in part at the Gulf stockholder's meeting on April 27. We are concentrating primarily on campus actions, especially at universities which own Gulf shares. (see list below). If you are interested in this campaign or have contacts on the campuses of the cited universities, please let us know immediately.

Second, we are calling upon all persons and groups to support the actions of the Polaroid Revolutionary Workers' Movement in boycotting Polaroid products until that company fulfills the workers' demands. We have background material on this issue if you are interested.

Finally, the Sugar Quota Act is up for renewal this year and several Congressmen, including Jonathan Bingham (D.-NY), Ogden Reid (R.-NY) and Senator Edward Kennedy (D.-Mass) are supporting an amendment to the Act which would end the quota of approximately 56,000 tons (worth $5 million) to South Africa. It would be helpful if you could contact your own representatives to support the amendment to end the South African sugar quota, and also inform Congressman W.R. Poage (D.-Texas), Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture.

Please let us hear from you on these issues -- with orders, with your news, with questions, reactions.

Venceremos.

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