February 20, 1967

Notes on AFRICA COMMITTEE of Returnees Assoc.--Meeting Feb 4.


Topics Discussed
1. RFK’s recent letter to 30 businesses re Africa
Action Taken: McKee & Sims to write RFK with questions inviting response--over can 2 signatures for Africa Comm

2. Dennis Brutus visit to NYC--Suggest we go to African American Institute meeting with him--March 20

3. Africa Forum mag--Fall 66
Issue excel on S Africa

4. Report by McKee on Jan 28 meeting of Consultative Council on Southern Africa. Items:
   - bank campaign (church, student, stockholder gp), Rhodesia, UN
   - SW Africa report this April

Sharpville Day

5. US ship at Capetown--38
Congressmen wrote President Dept--sign own name for Africa Comm

6. Rhodesia sanctions--mail in Bunce & Forbes to urge support letters to Congress--Congress runs 3:1 against stand from Africa signers of the Vietnam letter.

7. Mar 21-7 Anniv Sharpville--See McLaughlin, McKee, Goodyear etc to help Consult-Internat Day for Elimination of tative Council plan & publicize big meeting.

Racial Discrimination

8. Bill for Consular Agreement Write individual letters to Fulbright etc.
in Sen For Ral Comm--bills have been stalled since Eisenhower

9. Drexler’s proposal for an African Art side to this assoc
Consider interest and energy available. Maybe Wash, Sq, Spring Art Show

10. Racists, faked-up film? letters or picket?

Africa Idea soon on B’way

II. Organizational suggestions Keep image of support, not protest.

AGENDA

1. AAI would like to send notices of events to us.
2. Sword Knot ship to Mombasa, not Durban for 2 months
3. ? African Art interests
4. Report on Returnees Coordinating Council meeting Feb 5
5. Reports on Action Taken above:
   - Kennedy letter--McKee or Sims
   - Capetown letter--Robins
   - Rhodesia mailing--Bunce or Forbes
   - Sharpville Day--

6. Review of events after release of Vietnam letter to Johnson
7. Reports from members attending meetings of other groups interested in Southern Africa

REMEMBER RETURNEES MEETING Thurs, Feb 23, 7:30pm Earl Hall, Columbia U (B’way & 116)
Prof Dememanuel Wallenstein on Prospects for the Third World & What We Can Do

submitted by: Tarna Bunce, recorder for the day