

**EMERGENCY  
CONFERENCE  
ON  
NAMIBIA**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 1981  
9:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.**

**Church Center for the United Nations  
777 United Nations Plaza - New York City**

*A day long Conference to explore the current  
situation in Namibia and strategies  
in support of independence*

**CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

- 9-9:30      Registration
- 9:30-9:45    Welcome by George Houser, Executive Director,  
                 American Committee on Africa
- 9:45-12:30   **The Current Situation**
- A. Status of International Efforts for a Negotiated Settlement  
                 speaker: Martti Ahtisaari, United Nations Commissioner for Namibia
- B. Status of the Refugees  
                 speakers: Jennifer Davis, Research Director, ACOA (recently returned from Angola) and a representative of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees
- C. South Africa's Strategy for Namibia <sup>Mulek El-Chachin</sup>  
                 speaker: William Johnston, Episcopal Churchmen for South Africa
- D. Status of the Struggle  
                 speaker: Theo-Ben Gurirab, Representative of SWAPO to the United Nations, and Johnstone Makatini, Representative of the ANC to the United Nations
- 12:30-1:30   Lunch
- 1:30-1:50    Slide Presentation on Namibia, John Evensen, Lutheran Church in America

1:50-4:45 **The Immediate Future**

A. International Sanctions and the Response of the United States

Speakers: Abdelhamid Semichi, Counsellor, Algerian Mission to the United Nations and Randall Robinson, Executive Director, TransAfrica

B. Increased Support for the Namibian People (at this point, participants will break up into two groups):

1. Material and Humanitarian Assistance

Chairperson: Stephanie Urdang

Facilitators: Goler Butcher, former Assistant Administrator for Africa, United States Agency for International Development  
Ed May, Representative of Lutheran World Federation to the U.N. and  
Prexy Nesbitt, Program to Combat Racism of the World Council of Churches

2. Political and Economic Actions

Chairperson: Mary Wade, Quaker Office for the United Nations

Facilitators: Jerry Herman, American Friends Service Committee, Southern Africa Program  
Dumisani Kumalo, American Committee on Africa  
Jean Sindab, Executive Director, Washington Office on Africa

4:45-5:30 **Reports And Recommendations**

Closing remarks

### **CONFERENCE CALLERS**

Africa Office of National Council of Churches  
American Committee on Africa  
American Friends Service Committee  
Episcopal Churchmen for South Africa  
International Defence and Aid Fund  
Lutheran World Ministries  
Phelps-Stokes Fund  
Quaker Office for the U.N.  
United Methodist Office for the U.N.  
World Council of Churches

### **CONFERENCE COORDINATOR**

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