*ACOA Meets SWAPO U.N. Delegation. A SWAPO delegation to the U.N. has been in New York for a number of weeks and ACOA arranged a small meeting on October 28 with SWAPO President Sam Nujoma, Moses Garoeb, and Peter Katjivivi to discuss the situation in Namibia and U.N. action. The Security Council has been considering the advisory opinion of the International Court, which confirmed that South African occupation of Namibia is illegal.

Sam Nujoma has addressed the Security Council (the first time for a southern African liberation movement leader) and called for action under Chapter Seven to investigate South Africa's illegal presence as a threat to the peace. South Africa's militarization of the Caprivi Strip and the recent border incident with Zambia underline the point. The Security Council has not yet voted on a final resolution.

*ACOA Presents Analysis to Ambassador Bush. ACOA has prepared an "Analysis of American Obligations Vis-a-Vis Namibia in Light of the International Court's Opinion". This was the focal point of discussions during a meeting of an ACOA delegation (including Executive Director George Houser, President Peter Weiss, Joel Carlson, Hon. William Booth, Hope Stevens, and Michael Davis) with U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. George Bush. The analysis covers actions which should be taken by the U.S. independently of the U.N. (concerning U.S. business in Namibia, diplomatic accreditation, and South African business concessions) and actions which should be taken by the U.S. through the U.N. (such as support for the administering authority of the U.N., travel documents for Namibians, regulation of business in Namibia, and the abolition of racial discrimination there). Copies of the analysis are available from the ACOA office.
ACOA Study of U.S. Corporations in Namibia. A detailed study of U.S. corporate involvement in Namibia, including the operations of the Tsumeb Mining Company, which is jointly owned by American Metals Climax and New Mont Mining. At the present time all U.S. corporations in Namibia are chartered and taxed by the South African government. The study is being prepared by ACOA Board member Winifred Courtney and Africa Fund research director Jennifer Davis and should be available in several weeks.

There have been several other visitors in New York concerned about Namibia:

Barbara Rogers, a British economist formerly with the British Foreign Office and now with the London-based Friends of Namibia, has traveled extensively in Namibia this year. She has testified before the U.N. Council for Namibia about her findings. She is now staying in New York and has met with ACOA and other groups. She particularly emphasises her experiences in Ovamboland and other tribal areas which the South African occupation administration has set up and has deliberately isolated in conditions of extreme poverty, where she found the people very much aware of the International Court opinion and strongly opposed to the South African occupation of their country.

Rev. Michael Scott, long-time advocate for Namibian freedom has also testified before the U.N. Council for Namibia. He has been asked by Herero Chief Kapuuo to explore possible legal actions in Britain against British corporations (particularly Rio Tinto Zinc) operating under the illegal South African administration in Namibia.

Bishop Colin Winter, Anglican Bishop of Windhoek, was in New York under the auspices of the Episcopal Church. ACOA staff attended a meeting at which he movingly conveyed the strong opposition to South African occupation being voiced in Namibia by Churches and African leaders. There has been a call for an end to restrictions on movement, expression, voting and representation, and for an end to the destruction of family life by the contract labor system.

Bishop Winter is touring the U.S. to raise desperately needed money to maintain education and apprentice projects in Namibia.

EILEEN HANSON IS NEW ACOA CHICAGO REPRESENTATIVE. Eileen Hanson will continue ACOA work in the Chicago area and is organizing a literature and resource center on southern Africa as a part of a "third world" storefront there. She is also arranging film showings and speaking engagements in the Chicago area. Eileen is taking over from Prexy Nesbitt, who is now teaching African history at St. Xavier College. One of his classes is planning a production of Peter Weiss' play "The Song of the Lusitanian Bogey" (about Portuguese colonialism) with the proceeds to go to FRELIMO, MPLA, and PAIGC. Prexy is also preparing a bibliography on southern Africa for ACOA.

Eileen has traveled in southern Africa and did her M.A. work on education in South Africa. She has worked for several years with the Chicago Area Committee on Southern Africa.
CORPORATE STRATEGY. ACOA has been participating in recent meetings to develop a strategy on corporations in southern Africa organized by church bodies and other groups which were active in pursuing the stockholder proxy resolutions last year on southern Africa. Among the corporations cited for possible action, including the stockholder approach, are: GM, Ford, Mobil Oil, Firestone, IBM, First National City, Holiday Inn, Polaroid, Gulf Oil, American Metal Climax, and Newmont Mining. In addition to stockholder action, other strategies under consideration are support for legislative action in Washington, work with the Gulf Boycott, and contact with the United Nations, the O.A.U., and the liberation movements on the international scene.

ACOA ACTION ON SENATE DEFIANCE OF RHODESIAN CHROME EMBARGO. ACOA has sent out an emergency memo calling for action to block Senate defiance of the U.N. embargo on Rhodesian chrome. On October 21, ACOA organized a meeting of concerned groups with Rep. Charles Diggs, chairman of the House Subcommittee on Africa to review the situation and discuss possible moves. The Senate passed the Byrd amendment (which calls for the breaching of the embargo on Rhodesian chrome) to the military procurement bill in September. A counter amendment sponsored by Senator Fulbright and supported by ACOA failed in a narrow vote.

The ACOA memo urged that the President and Secretary of State be called on to speak out in support of the embargo in line with U.S. opposition to racist minority rule in Rhodesia and U.N. treaty commitments, and also that House Senate conferees on the bill be urged to delete the amendment. Copies of the memo are available from the ACOA office.

FRELIMO DAY - SEPTEMBER 25, 1971. ACOA staff and Board members attended a commemoration of the seventh anniversary of the beginning of the armed struggle for liberation in Mozambique by FRELIMO, held on the evening of September 24 at the Church Center at the U.N. Speakers included representatives of the governments of Tanzania and Guyana; the O.A.U.; SWAPO and ZAPU; and the Pan African Student Organization in the U.S. Sharfudine Khan, FRELIMO Representative in the U.S., organized the meeting and gave a stirring account of the progress of the liberation struggle.

BISHOP ALPHEUS ZULU VISITS THE U.S. In September ACOA staff and Board members attended a dinner and meeting for Anglican Bishop Alpheus Zulu of Zululand, who was traveling in the U.S. under the auspices of the Episcopal Church. Bishop Zulu related the misery of the life of the Africans crowded on to the reserves faced with severe unemployment and a lack of health and education facilities. From a Christian perspective he said that God's judgement was bound to fall on the great injustices in South Africa. He added that although because of his position he could not advocate withdrawal of U.S. business from South Africa, he understands the perspective of those who do and feels that there must be action from many sides to bring freedom to South Africa.

THANKYOU PARTY FOR JANET HOOPER. Many friends joined ACOA Board and staff members at a party for Janet Hooper at the home of ACOA President Peter Weiss on October 15. Janet has left ACOA after five years of hard work to devote more time to her family. She is planning to remain active on southern African issues.
ACOA FACT SHEET ON IBM IN SOUTH AFRICA. IBM's role in South Africa's new population registration system, which is the basis for the enforcement of apartheid, is described in detail in a new Fact Sheet prepared by Robin Myers of the ACOA staff. Also examined are IBM's role in other areas vital to the maintenance of the white-ruled police state, including military technology and the white-controlled economy.

IBM has been cited in studies prepared for the corporate strategy coalition calling for the withdrawal of U.S. business from South Africa. The IBM Black Workers Alliance has already demanded that IBM leave South Africa. It is hoped that this study, and others like it, can be used by groups at universities and other institutions with stock holdings or other ties with corporations such as IBM to push for their withdrawal from South Africa. Copies of the Fact Sheet are available from the ACOA office.

ACOA CONTINGENT MEETS WITH OAU PRESIDENT OULD DADDAH. George Houser arranged for a small group of ACOA Board and staff members to meet with OAU President Ould Daddah, who was in the U.S. in October to address the U.N. General Assembly and to meet with President Nixon. The discussion centered on details of the ways that the U.S. should move to end support for minority rule in southern Africa.

AID FOR ZIMBABWEAN RUDY ZISENGWE. ACOA has been working to aid Rudy Zisengwe, a young Zimbabwean student who has decided to stay in the U.S. after a year here on an American Field Service exchange program, rather than return to Rhodesia where there is no future for African students. He is now studying at the New York Institute of Technology and ACOA staff member Karen Whitmore has been working on the legal details of his visa situation and on raising funds through the Africa Fund to help with his educational expenses. Hopefully Rudi will be able to get a U.N. scholarship.
RECENT VISITORS

* Charles Spivey of the World Council of Churches in Geneva was in New York in October and met with George Houser. The WCC has announced new grants totalling $200,000 as part of their Programme to Combat Racism, with $125,000 going to eight liberation movements in southern Africa. The WCC has issued a series of studies of the liberation movements which are available from ACOA or from the WCC New York office at 475 Riverside Drive.

* Makodia Emmanuel, an Angolan student who has been studying in the U.S., has returned to Zambia to join the liberation struggle being waged by MPLA and met with ACOA staff before leaving. ACOA helped raise funds for his wife and child to accompany him.

* Kotsho Dube, the London representative of ZAPU, has been in New York and met recently with George Houser to discuss developments in Zimbabwe.

NEW LITERATURE AVAILABLE FROM ACOA


* "IBM in South Africa". A new ACOA Fact Sheet on how IBM is helping to computerize apartheid. 10¢.

* "Analysis of American Obligations Vis-a-Vis Namibia in Light of the International Court's Opinion". Outlines steps that the U.S. can and should take towards ending South Africa's illegal occupation of Namibia.

"WITNESSES", a film on apartheid released this year by the International Defence and Aid Fund, is now available from the ACOA office.

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