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
      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

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American Committee on Africa
American Friends Service Committee
Episcopal Churchmen for South Africa
International Defence and Aid Fund
Lutheran World Ministries
Phelps-Stokes Fund
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