

YOU AND YOUR MONEY

You have no doubt heard of Barclays DCO. It is controlled by Barclays Bank Ltd., and is Britain's largest overseas bank. Barclays DCO operates mainly in Southern Africa, where it has over half its branches. Britain too is very much involved in South Africa; about 60% of all foreign investment in South Africa comes from Britain.

How is it that South Africa is so attractive to both Barclays and Britain? Why is it such a magnet for investors? Basically South Africa thrives on the exploitation of the 15 million Africans, Coloureds and Asiatics who constitute 80% of the country's population. Consider some of the facts of their lives:

- * Africans working in White areas are not allowed to take their families with them and may be separated for long periods.
- * All Africans aged 16 or over are required to carry identity papers giving permitted place of residence and/or work, record of employment and payment of taxes.
- * Every day 2000 Africans are arrested under oppressive racial laws. In addition, unknown numbers are detained without trial for indefinite periods. 47% of the world's executions take place in South Africa.
- * African wages average less than 1/10th of those of Whites.
- * The amount of money spent on an African's education is about 1/10th of than spent on the education of a White.
- * The infant mortality rate for African babies is about 20 times as high as that for white babies, in fact about 1 in 4 die.

White South Africans treat the non-whites as inferior human beings who can be pushed around, deprived of even the most elementary rights and made to work for almost nothing. It all adds up to one of the most obscene and inhuman systems of exploitation the world has ever seen.

On this system South Africa grows rich.

On this system Britain 'earns' 15% of its overseas direct investment earnings.

On this system Barclays thrives.

So, when you decide to put your money in Barclays, you are providing money for people who have decided that it is OK to make money by this system of slave labour.

Money earned in South Africa is BLOOD MONEY: and your government, your friendly bank manager, your Barclay account and YOU are all implicated in this set-up.

CAN YOU AFFORD TO BE SILENT? YOUR SILENCE SUPPORTS THE SYSTEM.

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