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SANCTIONS

NOW!

**March and Rally
Sat. 24th Oct. '87**

Programme and Information

Anti-Apartheid Movement



FREE NAMIBIA

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FREE SOUTH AFRICA

Assembly and March

The march will form up on the south (ie river) side of Victoria Embankment, facing Westminster, tailing back in the direction of the Temple and Blackfriars tube stations. The column will be headed by the Southern African liberation movements, followed by the following sections:

1. Local Anti-Apartheid Groups
2. Black organisations
3. Trade Unions
4. Students and youth
5. Women's organisations
6. Political organisations/others
7. Peace Groups

Placards

If you haven't brought a banner or placard with you, but would like to carry a placard calling for 'Sanctions Now', collect one from a steward as you pass the Embankment tube station. Stewards will be wearing yellow arm bands on both arms. On arrival at Hyde Park, please hand your placard to a steward or leave it on the grass verge *before* entering the gates of the park.

Collection

Today's demonstration has cost over £35,000 to organise. The Anti-Apartheid Movement is appealing to all marchers to contribute towards the cost. *The collection will take place towards the end of the route, before entering Hyde Park.* (No collections are allowed inside the Park). Collectors' buckets will be clearly marked: 'AAM Official Collection', and collectors will be wearing T-shirts identifying them as such. Please give generously. Make cheques payable to AAM.

Keep Moving

Marchers are asked to cooperate fully with stewards, and to keep the column moving except when stewards ask for a stop to let through emergency vehicles or other traffic or to close up gaps.

Legal Support

Anybody needing legal advice or support can ring 388 2798 or 388 2925 up to 8.30 pm today.

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2.30-3pm

The music of African solidarity:
**Lovemore Mavaijana and the
Zulu band (Zimbabwe)**

3-5pm

Speakers (provisional order)

Vicky Phillips

President, National Union of
Students

Bernie Grant MP

Vice-chair, Parliamentary Labour
Party Anti-Apartheid Group

Zerbanoo Gifford

Liberal Party Community Relations
Panel

Sam Nujoma

President of SWAPO of Namibia

Norman Willis

General Secretary T.U.C.

Joan Lester

N.E.C. The Labour Party

Paul Johns

CND Chairperson

Rekha Patel

AAM National Committee

Ron Todd

General Secretary, T.G.W.U.

N.E.C. Member

African National Congress (South
Africa)

Archbishop Trevor Huddleston

President Anti-Apartheid
Movement

The speakers will be introduced by
the Chairperson of the Anti-
Apartheid Movement, Bob Hughes
MP.

5-5.20pm

Music from the Front Line:
The Bhundu Boys!

THANKS! to all the many people who have helped
to make today's event possible.

We have been asked by the Department of the Environment to call attention to the conditions applying to the use of Hyde Park: no badges, publications or other items may be sold within the Park, and no free literature may be distributed other than this information sheet/programme for the day.

Dispersal from Hyde Park

You are strongly advised to avoid Marble Arch and Hyde Park Corner tube stations as far as possible. Marble Arch in particular is liable to get very congested, and might even be temporarily closed if the density of the crowd warrants such a precaution. There are quicker alternatives, all within 10-12 minutes walk of the stage area:

Going east or north/south? Green Park (Piccadilly, Jubilee and Victoria lines) - this is the best exit for getting quickly to Vauxhall Bridge coach park. An alternative is Bond St. tube station (Central and Jubilee lines).

Going westward? Lancaster Gate (Central Line) or Knightsbridge (Picadilly line).

If using Marble Arch, please cooperate with stewards, LRT staff and police who will make every effort to make it possible to move through the subway system.

Litter

Please leave no litter lying around - use the black plastic bags and skips provided. Every piece of litter left means more work for volunteers afterwards, more costs to the AAM. For the sake of the public, help keep the Park clean.

Toilets

To your left as you face the stage are situated both the permanent toilets and additional mobile units installed for today, including a disabled persons toilet.

First Aid

First aid facilities are kindly provided by St John Ambulance Brigade, and are situated to the rear and slightly to the left of the back stage area.

Lost Children & Lost Property

Please enquire at the Information Desk at the rear of the enclosure behind the stage.

Join the Anti-Apartheid Movement !

Are you - appalled at the atrocities of the apartheid regime?

- **angered** by Thatcher's contempt for the Commonwealth opinion and her arrogant rejection of sanctions?
- **inspired** by the immense courage and indomitable will to freedom of the peoples of South Africa and Namibia?

Then maybe it's time to get more involved in the fight against apartheid. The people of Britain must break the links that make this country the No. 1 ally of apartheid. To succeed, we need a much bigger and stronger Anti-Apartheid Movement.

The Anti-Apartheid Movement is a campaigning organisation with nearly 200 local groups around the country, plus over 100 student groups. It has thousands of individual members and several hundred affiliated organisations - national and local trade unions, religious, political and community organisations, women's and youth groups, black and ethnic minority organisations. The AAM seeks to:

- * publicise the facts about apartheid in South Africa and Namibia
- * expose British collaboration with the apartheid regime
- * campaign for the total isolation of apartheid South Africa, for comprehensive mandatory sanctions
- * mobilise political, moral and material support for the liberation movements of South Africa and Namibia.

Membership rates: 2 people living at the same address £13.00; Individuals £10.00; Pensioners/unwaged £4.50; Students £6.50; School students £4.50.

Please send me further information about the AAM

I wish to join, and enclose a cheque for £ _____ made payable to the AAM.

NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

ADDRESS

.....
AAM, 13 Mandela St., London NW1 01 387 7966

*** Defend the Right to Boycott Apartheid!**

Not content with blocking united Commonwealth action for sanctions in Vancouver last week, Mrs Thatcher is preparing to block 'People's Sanctions' here in Britain!

Clauses 17 and 18 of the Local Government Bill now at the Committee Stage in Parliament will make it unlawful for democratically elected Local Authorities to refuse to buy South African and Namibian goods, or to boycott companies like Shell that give vital strategic support to the apartheid regime.

Outspan oranges and Cape apples could flood back into our schools if this measure passes into law. Write now to your MP demanding that these clauses be dropped. Press your local council to act quickly to defend its right to take anti-apartheid action. Lobby any peers in your area to fight the Bill in the Lords.

**** Free All Detainees**

In South Africa and Namibia thousands are being detained and tortured - held without trial in a brutal but vain attempt to paralyse all political opposition. In South Africa alone, some 30,000 have been detained under the current State of Emergency. Children of 11 or 12 have been tortured.

The National Petition Campaign (PO Box 1004 London NW1 OEU) is calling for the release of *all* those detained without trial in South Africa and Namibia. A million signatures at least are needed by 10 December. Please circulate the petition at your school, office, factory, community centre, church etc. Write now for petition forms, stickers and posters - or phone 01-387 8937.

***** Namibia Week of Action**

The International Week of Action on Namibia starts on 27 October. Write to your MP and the Foreign Office, get a letter into your local paper - take any action you can to highlight the scandal of South Africa's illegal occupation and the Conservative government's complicity in it.

This year's Namibia Week has a special focus: solidarity with the Namibian trade unions. They need basic office equipment & transport, as well as moral support. Hold collections and send donations to SWAPO, PO Box 194, London N5.