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Dear Friend:

South Africa has the atomic bomb. It was tested three years ago. The apartheid state has been producing atomic weapons fuel for seven years. This has just been confirmed in a special supplement to The Progressive magazine.

But this is only half the story. South Africa could never have built a bomb without the technical assistance it received from the U.S. government. Today the Reagan Administration is escalating that cooperation. It is attempting to export to South Africa sophisticated equipment that can be used to make critical components for nuclear weapons.

The South African bomb raises the specter of nuclear war in southern Africa. South Africa refuses to live at peace with its neighbors. There is a South African army of occupation throughout much of southern Angola. South African soldiers were recently captured on a raid into Zimbabwe. Will South Africa use nuclear weapons next year or the year after in a desperate attempt to preserve white minority rule?

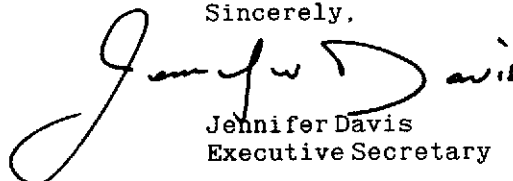
We are planning a campaign to alert the growing numbers of Americans concerned about nuclear weapons to the dangers of U.S. military support for South Africa. We will have several publications documenting the continuing U.S. role in South Africa's nuclear build up. We are planning a spring speaking tour for a leading expert on South Africa's nuclear program.

That's only one of The Africa Fund's important projects. We are planning an exposé of the vast South African propaganda machine in the U.S. including South African attempts to defeat Congressmen and Senators who have spoken out too vigorously against apartheid. Journalists and media people are coming to The Africa Fund for information they cannot get anywhere else. We constantly alert religious, labor and civil rights leaders to events in southern Africa and shifts in U.S. policy. And, of course, we continue to send speakers to gatherings throughout the country.

All of this takes money. But our bank account is almost empty. We are faced with large unpaid bills and the prospect of having to hold off on paying staff their very modest salaries.

So I'm turning to you for help. I hope you will come through now as you have in the past. May I hear from you soon?

Sincerely,



Jennifer Davis
Executive Secretary

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