

From the Chicago Literature Distribution Project

By Eileen Hanson, coordinator

### Purpose

The purpose of the project, which began one year ago, is to reach people in the Chicago/Midwest area with information about the struggles for liberation in Southern Africa. The project is centered at the New World Resource Center in Chicago, a store-front combination bookstore/library/meeting place. Resources are available on the Third World generally, U.S. economic and military involvement abroad, liberation movements, and action projects.

Southern Africa has been a major focus of the Center, the only bookstore in the Midwest which carries a complete selection of materials on the subject. In the past year, the work around Southern Africa has expanded beyond store sales and mail orders of literature. The Center has become a resource for several newly formed groups working around Southern Africa - either as a major or partial focus of their work. These groups include Black Workers Congress, Southern Africa Liberation Information Group (SALIG), African American Solidarity Committee, United Church of Christ Southern Africa Task Force, Africa Information Service, an educational program for Black prisoners, And the Chicago Committee for the Liberation of Angola, Mozambique and Guine (CCLAMG).

The latter group uses the Center as its headquarters, and has initiated many programs out of the Center - films, liberation movement speakers, workshops, contacts with youth and church groups, fund-raising for the movements, and most recently, a Southern Africa Solidarity Day (see below).

### Resources available on Southern Africa

literature from the following groups:

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| liberation movements        | Madison Area Com.on Southern Africa         |
| American Com. on Africa     | Angola Comite                               |
| Liberation Support Movement | Church groups                               |
| Africa Research Group       | Black Workers Congress                      |
| International Defense & Aid | African American Solidarity Committee       |
| Southern Africa Committee   | Com. for Freedom in Mozambique, Angola, and |
| Anti-Apartheid Movement     | Guine (London)                              |
| United Nations              |   |

Films, slides, tapes and speakers have been made available to a wide constituency, including Black groups, teachers, and churches. Literature tables have been set up at conferences, in churches, at African studies programs (both in Chicago and outside). We have decided not to become a major film distribution center, but have published a "Southern Africa Resource List" so people can order films directly from other distributors. There is a growing demand for this. We raised funds through special projects with the aim of purchasing a new film on Africa, and one on Latin America, for use in educational work beyond the Center. (This is still being negotiated)

The Center assumed responsibility for distribution of the remaining Africa Research Group publications as of September, 1972. This is increasing our mail-order distribution and contacts with bookstores throughout the country.

### Constituency

The constituency around Africa at the New World Resource Center varies - teachers and students use it for research projects, anti-imperialist groups use it for organizing demonstrations, Africa studies programs secure literature, various Black groups have



used the Center for resource materials, underground newspapers have researched articles. Through the mail we have reached a far-flung audience, including overseas. A great amount of literature on Southern Africa is sent to prisoners at their request, and a special "prisoners fund" has been set up to cover the costs.

### Groups working out of the Center

#### CCLAMG

Chicago Area Group on Latin America 9(CAGLA)

U.S. China Peoples Friendship Organization

Chicago Anti-Imperialist Collective (CAIC)

Indo-China Committee

groups forming around Prisoners Support and Middle East interests

### Programs

The main purpose of the Center is education. But we have come to realize that handing someone a piece of literature is not enough. Questioning, discussing, interacting with the experience of others is essential. Therefore, the Center has organized many programs - about 4 or 5 a month:

- 1) workshops: Series on "Education for Liberation" using Paulo Friere's ideas  
Series on the History of Vietnam  
Series on "Voices from Southern Africa"
- 2) films: (too many to mention, but including...)
 

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| End of a Dialogue     | Medina Boe       |
| Come Back Africa      | Behind the Lines |
| Mozambique Revolution |                  |
- 3) Slide shows

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| Project Airwar                   |
| Angola (LSM slides)              |
| Chicago Corporations and the War |
- 4) speakers: from Africa, Philippines, Latin America, Ireland, Middle East, Vietnam, Puerto Rico  
speakers on Africa included: Gil Fernandez, Prexy Nesbitt, Dennis Brutus  
speaking tours were arranged outside of the store for Sharfudine Khan, Gil Fernandez, Ben Magubane, Bob Van Lierop, Theo-Ben Gurirab, and Dixon Phiri
- 5) actions on Southern Africa

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| Continental Bank   |
| Anti-Rhodesia Demonstration  |
| Rhodesia out of the Olympics                                       |
| meeting with political candidates on Africa issues                 |
| a group now forming around Chicago corporations in Southern Africa |
- 6) A four-hour TV series on Southern Africa was organized by CCLAMG in February, 1972, the first of its kind in Chicago
- 7) Conference: A "Southern Africa Solidarity Day" was organized on November 19, 1972, with the cooperation of several Chicago-area groups. About 300 people attended. Speakers from FRELIMO and MPLA, as well as Bob Van Lierop, Michey Smith, Prexy Nesbitt, Ruth Minter and Wandile Kuse served as resources. Many new groups were brought into contact with Southern Africa issues through this conference.

### Management of the Center

The Center is now open five days a week, six hours a day. It is staffed by volunteers of CAIC and CAGLA. There is a book display area, library for reading and discussions



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(convertible for programs, holding up to 75 people), a class room (Spanish, English and Chinese classes were offered this year), and two offices, plus storage space for literature.

Literature ordering, financial responsibilities, upkeep of the Center, program development, mailings, printing, filling mail orders -- all these functions are secured by CAIC and CAGLA, with the help of other volunteers.

#### Role of the Literature Coordinator

ACOA funds have provided a stipend to Eileen Hanson, who serves as literature coordinator and co-treasurer of the Center. Her job is to oversee all literature ordering (which is done collectively), pay literature bills, and oversee the finances of the Center. She also coordinates literature display tables outside of the Center, and works closely with two Southern Africa action groups - CCLAMG and the Church Task Force.

#### Problems

The main problem we face is how to involve people in Chicago in issues which seem very far away from their everyday lives and priorities. Therefore, we are working to tie the issues of Southern Africa into local corporations and banks. Also, we are trying to stress the lessons we can learn from the life and organization of the liberation movements - on issues such as the role of women, theory and practice, collective organization. One such effort was making the OMA button (Organization of Angolan Women), which was sent to OMA for use in Angola, but is also being used to involve women here in the U.S. in discussions about women in the liberation struggles in Africa.

Secondly, we realize that literature (printed word) is not always the best way to reach people, especially those who do not like to read. Thus education for us must become a much more dynamic process. Therefore, we have organized workshops, films, speakers, and action projects.

Finally, being a primarily white organization, we realize our limitations in reaching those most likely to be interested in actions around Southern Africa, the Black communities. For this reason, we have seen our work as primarily providing resources for other organizations with roots in the Black community. We also realize that white groups still control most of the resources or direct the actions. If this continues, it may alienate the largest potential constituency on Southern Africa.

In spite of these difficulties, we feel there is a great need for resource distribution on Southern Africa. There has been a very positive response to our efforts of the past year, and we feel it is important to continue and expand our work. We have appreciated the support of the American Committee on Africa, and hope that it will continue in the coming year.

Eileen Hanson  
on behalf of the New World Resource Center



# CHICAGO LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION, PROJECT OF ACOA

Report to the ACOA Board by Eileen Hanson, coordinator

The project works out of the NEW WORLD RESOURCE CENTER, 2546 N Halsted, Chicago, IL.

## Budget Report

|  | <u>1971-72 Expenses</u><br>yearly (monthly) |           | <u>Asking Budget, 72-73</u><br>yearly |
|--|---|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| Rent contribution (inc. heat and light)              | \$1200.00                                   | (100.00)  | 1200.00                               |
| Stipend for coordinator<br>(10 hrs/week @ \$2.50/hr) | 1200.00                                     | (100.00)  | 1200.00                               |
| Telephone (local/L.D.)                               | 193.54                                      | (16.13)   | 200.00                                |
| Publicity/Promotion                                  | 136.45                                      | (11.37)   | 150.00                                |
| Travel (local/Midwest)                               | 217.40                                      | (18.10)   | 300.00                                |
| total  |   | \$2947.39 | \$3050.00                             |
| Received from ACOA (Nov 1971-Oct 1972)               | \$2955.96                                   |           |                                       |
| Expenses (Nov 1971-Oct.31, 1972)                     | - 2947.39                                   |           |                                       |
| Balance 11/1/72                                      | 8.57  |           |                                       |

## Summary of Average Monthly Expenses at the New World Resource Center

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|--------------------|----------|
| Rent               | \$140.00 |
| Heat               | 30.00    |
| Electricity        | 15.00    |
| Telephone          | 45.00    |
| Programs           | 25.00    |
| Publicity          | 20.00    |
| Supplies & Postage | 25.00    |
| Total              | 300.00   |

## Monthly Income at the New World Resource Center

|                  |          |   |
|------------------|----------|---|
| national sources | \$110.00 | American Committee on Africa (Rent and Phone)         |
| local sources    | 55.00    | Chicago Area Group on Latin American (rent and phone) |
|                  | 30.00    | US -China Peoples Friendship Organization             |
|                  | 105.00   | individual pledges                                    |
| Total            | \$300.00 |   |

## Analysis of Store Sales

An indication of the volume of Africa literature sold is best seen in the total amount of purchases (some still remain in stock). Purchases totaled \$5000.00 for the year, in all areas; of this, half, or \$2400.00 was Southern Africa Literature. Total sales per month (in store, external display tables, mail orders) average \$500-600. This has increased in the past two months, due to increased activity in the store after the summer and our being the distributors of all Africa Research Group literature.

A more substantive report of the Center will be presented at the ACOC Board meeting, December 12.

Eileen Hanson

# Southern Africa Literature

RESOURCES ON IMPERIALISM AND  
LIBERATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA  
from

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## NEW LITERATURE !!!

### BOOKS :

OUR DREAM HAS THE SIZE OF FREEDOM : THE STRUGGLE FOR LIBERATION  
IN MOZAMBIQUE by Committee for a Free Mozambique.....\$ .10  
\*NAMIBIA : U.S. CORPORATE INVOLVEMENT by The Africa Fund..... .50  
WAR ON THREE FRONTS - THE FIGHT AGAINST PORTUGUESE COLONIALISM  
by Committee for Freedom in Mozambique, Angola and Guinea-  
Bissau/London ..... .50  
REVOLUTION IN GUINEA by Amilcar Cabral of PAIGC..... 2.25  
OUR PEOPLE ARE OUR MOUNTAINS - Two Speeches by Cabral from  
CFMAG/London..... .50

### BUTTONS :

"BOYCOTT GULF" pin by Gulf Boycott Committee..... .25  
ORGANIZATION OF ANGOLAN WOMEN pin (OMA) ..... .25

### SOUTHERN AFRICA

RACE TO POWER : THE STRUGGLE FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA, 100 pp. by Africa Research Group..\$2.00  
PORTUGAL IN AFRICA by James Duffy ..... 1.25  
\*ALLIES IN EMPIRE : U.S. AND PORTUGAL IN AFRICA by American Committee on Africa..... .50  
SOUTHERN AFRICA -- A monthly survey of news and opinion ..... .25

### SOUTH AFRICA

\*APARTHEID AND IMPERIALISM : A STUDY OF U.S. CORPORATE INVOLVEMENT IN SOUTH  
AFRICA by ACOA ..... .50  
SOUTH AFRICA : THE BOSS LAWS by Defense and Aid/London ..... .25  
SOUTH AFRICA : ARMS AND APARTHEID by D&A/London ..... .25  
SOUTH AFRICA : "RESETTLEMENT" -- THE NEW VIOLENCE TO AFRICANS by D&A/London..... .50  
SOUTH AFRICA : THE TERRORISM OF TORTURE by D&A/London..... .75  
VIOLENCE OF APARTHEID by A. Sachs (D&A/London)..... .60  
THE AMERICAN CORPORATION IN SOUTH AFRICA -- Interviews with American business  
executives in South Africa, by Tim Smith (ACOA) ..... .50  
WORKERS UNDER APARTHEID, control of workers and wage discrimination, by D&A/London.. 1.00  
SECHABA -- monthly magazine of the African National Congress of South Africa..... .50  
\*POWERS BEHIND APARTHEID (reprint) by ARG ..... .50  
ISRAEL AND SOUTH AFRICA : A COMPARISON by Madison Area Committee on Southern Africa. .30  
I AM PREPARED TO DIE -- Speech of Nelson Mandela, ANC leader ..... .25

### ZIMBABWE (Rhodesia)

INTERVIEW ON ZIMBABWE -- with George Nyandoro, General Secretary of ZAPU by  
Liberation Support Movement ..... .25  
\*RHODESIA OR ZIMBABWE? NO MIDDLE GROUND IN AFRICA by ACOA ..... .10  
WHITE JUDGE'S BURDEN by D&A/London ..... .75

\* Bulk rates available on 10 or more -- inquire if interested.

(Literature distributed in cooperation with the American Committee on Africa and the  
Africa Research Group.)



## GUINEE (BISSAU)

\*THE STRUGGLE IN GUINEA -- Speech by Amilcar Cabral (ARG) ..... \$ .50  
THE LIBERATION OF GUINEA by Basil Davidson (Penguin Books) ..... 1.50  
ACTUALITES -- newsletter of PAIGC ..... .50

## MOZAMBIQUE

\*MOZAMBIQUE'S FRELIMO : BUILDING FREEDOM by ARG ..... 1.00  
MOZAMBIQUE REVOLUTION -- FRELIMO periodical ..... .50  
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\*GULF OIL : A STUDY IN EXPLOITATION -- Gulf's involvement in Angola by CRV ..... .50  
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Angola (MPLA) ..... .50

## GENERAL ON AFRICA

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\*REPRESSION IN ETHIOPIA by the Ethiopian Student Union of North America (ARG).... .25  
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\*DAVID AND GOLIATH COOPERATE IN AFRICA (ISRAEL AND THE US IN AFRICA) by ARG ..... .50

### BOOKS COMING SOON :

- PORTUGAL AND THE U.S. IN AFRICA by Bill Minter
  - RACE TO POWER, with Chapters on FRELIMO, PAIGC and MPLA by the  
Africa Research Group
  - THE 'BEST OF AFRICA RESEARCH GROUP'
- Inquire if interested.

## POSTERS

FRELIMO ..... \$1.00  
MPLA ..... 1.00

## \*FACT SHEETS FROM ACOA ..... \$ .10. each

STRIKE IN NAMIBIA  
THE POLAROID APPROACH TO SOUTH AFRICA  
AZORES AGREEMENT -- US BACKING OF PORTUGAL'S  
COLONIAL WARS  
IBM IN SOUTH AFRICA

Write for information concerning available TAPES (Interview with Gil Fernandez of PAIGC and Speech of Sharfudine Khan, U.S. Representative of FRELIMO) and FILMS (VENCEREMOS and MOZAMBIQUE REVOLUTION, both filmed in free Mozambique).

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PLEASE ADD 10% FOR POSTAGE (20% OUTSIDE USA) and 10¢ WHEN ORDERING FREE LITERATURE.

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# Southern Africa

## Solidarity Day



**SUNDAY,**

**NOV. 19**

**conference**

**1:30 pm**

**SPEAKERS, FILMS, WORKSHOPS**  
on the **STRUGGLE FOR LIBERATION**  
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

**SHARFUDINE KHAN**--U.S. representative of the  
Mozambique Liberation Front (FRELIMO).

**DENNIS BRUTUS**--South African poet in exile,  
former political prisoner.

**BOB VAN LIEROP**--Afro-American lawyer traveling  
with FRELIMO, Summer 1971

**"A LUTA CONTINUA"**--a new film on the struggle  
in Mozambique, made by Van Lierop during  
his travels.

**dance**

**8pm**

**AFRICAN MUSIC**

A benefit for the Organization of  
Angolan Women. (\$1 donation).

(Preceded by some Food).

**BOTH AT:**

**LINCOLN PARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

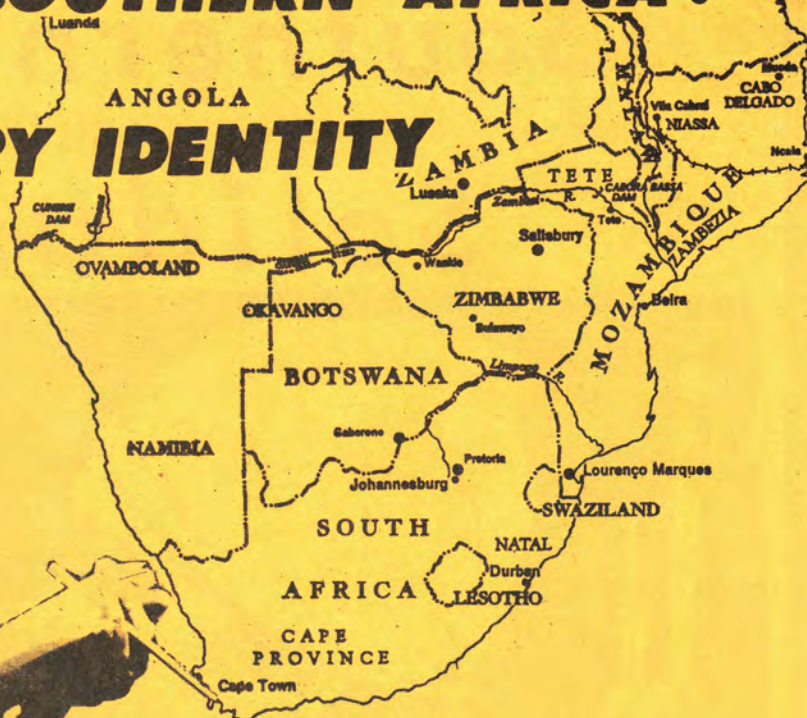
**600 W. FULLERTON**

**SPONSORED BY:** Chicago Committee for the Liberation of Angola, Mozambique and Guine; United Front Against Imperialism, Chicago Anti-Imperialist Collective, Southern African Liberation & Information Group, Ethiopian Student Union of Chicago, Iranian Students Association, Revolutionary Union, Red Star League, People's Voice, Fight Back!, Sojourner Truth, Chicago Women's Liberation Union, Jackson Organization,--Seminarisians Organized for Peace & Justice, New American Movement, Southern Africa Task Force (United Church of Christ), and Chicago Area Group on Latin America.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION--348-3370**



# VOICES FROM SOUTHERN AFRICA: DISCOVERING A REVOLUTIONARY IDENTITY



November 20 (TENTATIVE)

A LUTA CONTINUA--new film made in the liberated areas of Mozambique. The film-maker, Bob VanLierop, may also be present.

## THREE WORKSHOPS

In this series we will listen to the voices of Southern Africans engaged in the struggle for liberation. We will look at writings of unknown militants as well as movement leaders such as Cabral, Neto, Mondlane, Dos Santos. Recorded music and taped interviews will be mixed with oral readings and discussion by all participants.

The workshops are free; donations for the liberation movements will be welcome.

NOV. 29  
8-10 p.m.

POETRY OF OPPRESSION AND PROTEST

Dennis Brutus, South African poet in exile and former political prisoner reading his own and other poetry arising out of the experience of apartheid and colonialism.

Dec. 6  
8-10 p.m.

DISCOVERING A REVOLUTIONARY IDENTITY

Accounts of people involved in the liberation struggle.

Dec. 13  
8-10 p.m.

BUILDING FREEDOM

Liberation Movement members describe the work of creating a new society.

# NEW WORLD

# RESOURCE CENTER