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POLICIES OF APARTHEID OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICA

Report of the Special Political Committee

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1. In a letter dated 21 September 1990 (A/SPC/45/1), the President of the General Assembly informed the Chairman of the Special Political Committee that the Assembly, at its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September, on the recommendation of the General Committee, had decided that organizations and individuals having a special interest in the item "Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa" would be permitted to be heard by the Special Political Committee.

2. In accordance with the above-mentioned decision of the General Assembly, the Special Political Committee decided at its 2nd meeting, on 9 October, that the Committee would devote two meetings to such hearings on 26 and 27 November, respectively, and that organizations and individuals wishing to be heard by the Committee should submit their requests to the Chairman in writing, not later than 15 November, and that communications containing requests for hearings would be circulated as Committee documents, to be considered by the Committee at a subsequent meeting prior to the hearings.

3. At its 16th meeting, on 19 November, the Committee considered and approved 16 requests for hearings, contained in documents A/SPC/45/L.3 and Add.1-8.

4. At its 23rd and 25th meetings, on 26 and 27 November, pursuant to its decision taken at its 16th meeting, the Committee heard statements by the following 12 persons:

Ms. Beatrice **von ROEMER** - International Confederation of Free Trade Unions

Ms. **Donna KATZIN** - Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility

Mr. **D. Bryce HALLOWELL** - Association of Concerned Taxpayers

Mr. David A. **RIDENOUR** - The National Center for Public Policy Research

Mr. Joseph D. **RBILLY** - Progressive Librarians Guild

Mr. Michael **JOHNS** - The Heritage Foundation

Mr. David H. **BARRON** - The Jefferson Educational Foundation

Mr. Bojana **JORDAN**, on behalf of Dr. Barbara **ELLERY** - American-South African People's Friendship Association

Mr. Ahmed **OBAFEMI** - The New African People's Organization

Mr. Ralph **BOYD** - National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

Me. Mantsha **MOROHLO** - South African-Azanian Student Movement

Mr. Inuni Stedman **AARON** - Afrikan Echos

5. Summaries of the statements are contained in the records of the 23rd and 25th meetings of the Committee (A/SPC/45/PV.23 and 25).

6. At its 25th meeting, the Committee decided to submit a report to the General Assembly.
