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United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa

Report of the Secretary-General

1. The United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa was established in pursuance of paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 2054 B (XX) of 15 December 1965. It is made up of voluntary contributions from States, organizations and individuals, and is used for grants to voluntary organizations, Governments of host countries of refugees from South Africa and other appropriate bodies, for:

- (a) Legal assistance to persons persecuted under repressive and discriminatory legislation of South Africa;
- (b) Relief to such persons and their dependants;
- (c) Education of such persons and their dependants;
- (d) Relief for refugees from South Africa;
- (e) Relief and assistance to persons persecuted under repressive and discriminatory legislation in Namibia and Southern Rhodesia and to their families.

2. In resolution 31/6 B of 9 November 1976, the General Assembly expressed deep concern over the massive repression of opponents of apartheid and racial discrimination in South Africa, including the killing of numerous peaceful demonstrators. It endorsed the urgent appeal of the Committee of Trustees of the Trust Fund for more generous contributions to the Trust Fund, and commended all voluntary agencies engaged in rendering humanitarian assistance to the victims of apartheid and racial discrimination.

3. Since the last report of the Secretary-General, issued on 22 October 1976 (A/31/277), the Trust Fund has received contributions totalling \$1,269,217 as follows:

United States dollars

Australia	16 286
Austria	26 000
Barbados	500
Botswana	288
Brazil	10 000
Canada	9 615
Chile	1 000
Cyprus	241
Denmark	126 072
Finland	78 761
France	30 000
Germany, Federal Republic of	100 000
Ghana	1 305
Guinea	1 001
Hungary	2 000
Iceland	1 000
India	10 000
Indonesia	2 500
Iran	4 000
Iraq	10 000
Italy	5 072
Jamaica	1 540
Japan	20 000
Liberia	1 000
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	7 423
Malaysia	1 000
Mauritania	524
Morocco	4 000
Netherlands	240 600
New Zealand	7 642
Niger	501

United States dollars

Norway	171,363
Oman	5,000
Philippines	5,000
Saudi Arabia	75,516
Singapore	500
Somalia	500
Sweden	230,548
Thailand	1,500
Tunisia	48,651
Turkey	1,250
Uganda	1,018
United Arab Emirates	5,000
United Republic of Cameroon	1,500
Yugoslavia	2,000

4. In addition, the following pledges from Governments are outstanding:

United States dollars

Belgium	27,027
Greece	1,000
Iceland	500
India	1,000
Ireland	5,812
Italy	5,000
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	5,000
Malaysia	1,000
Mali	2,000
Nigeria	11,000
Pakistan	3,000
Peru	1,000
Philippines	5,000
Syrian Arab Republic	1,000

United States dollars

Togo	600
Trinidad and Tobago	1,250
Tunisia	1,349
Viet Nam	1,000
Yugoslavia	2,000

5. In accordance with decisions of the Committee of Trustees, seven further grants totalling \$915,000 have been made from the Trust Fund.

6. The total income to the Trust Fund since its inception, including interest, is \$5,679,275 and the total amount of grants is \$5,226,950, leaving a balance of \$452,325.

7. The Secretary-General has the honour to transmit herewith (see annex) the report of the Committee of Trustees of the United Nations Trust Fund for South Africa on its work since the last report.

ANNEX

Report of the Committee of Trustees of the United
Nations Trust Fund for South Africa

1. In February 1977, Mr. Olof Rydbeck, the member nominated by Sweden, was replaced by Mr. Anders Thunborg. The present composition of the Committee of Trustees is as follows:

Mr. Anders Thunborg (Sweden), Chairman
Mr. Leslie O. Harriman (Nigeria), Vice-Chairman
Mr. Iqbal Akhund (Pakistan)
Mr. Ali Bengelloun (Morocco)
Mr. Sergio Diez (Chile)

2. Since its last report, the Committee has decided on seven grants from the Trust Fund for the purposes within its terms of reference laid down in General Assembly resolutions 2397 (XXIII) of 2 December 1968 and 2671 E (XXV) of 8 December 1970, as follows:

<u>Grant No.</u>	<u>Date of decision</u>	<u>Amount in United States dollars</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
65	18 February 1977	50,000	(a) to (d)
66	6 May 1977	450,000	(a) to (d)
67	6 May 1977	150,000	(b) and (c)
68	6 May 1977	170,000	(d)
69	6 May 1977	35,000	(a)
70	6 May 1977	20,000	(a) and (b)
71	20 October 1977	40,000	(a), (b) and (c)

The Committee authorized the use of grants Nos. 65, 66 and 67 for assistance to Namibians and Southern Rhodesians, in accordance with paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 2671 E (XXV). In making the grants, the Committee took fully into account the desires of donors wishing to earmark their contributions.

3. The Committee has continued to encourage direct contributions to voluntary organizations engaged in providing assistance to the victims of apartheid and racial discrimination in South Africa, Namibia and Southern Rhodesia. It has been informed of direct contributions to the International Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa by the Byelorussian Soviet Socialist Republic, Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. The Church of Greece made a new contribution of

\$2,000 towards the World Council of Churches programme of assistance to the victims of apartheid.

4. The Committee has been gravely concerned during the past year with widespread and escalating repression in South Africa. Many hundreds of persons have been killed and thousands wounded as a result of police shooting of peaceful demonstrators. Thousands of persons, especially youths, have been detained and imprisoned for participation in the demonstrations. Hundreds of others have been detained and charged under the Terrorism Act and other arbitrary repressive legislation. A number of detainees have died in detention.

5. A large number of South Africans, especially young students, have fled the country because of the repression. It may be recalled that in its resolution 31/126 of 16 December 1976, the General Assembly recognized the urgent need for an effective programme of international assistance to these student refugees and requested the Trust Fund to co-operate with the Secretary-General in the implementation of the programme of assistance.

6. The situation in Namibia and Southern Rhodesia also continued to deteriorate.

7. As a result, the needs covered by the terms of reference of the Trust Fund increased greatly. On 24 February 1977, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Trustees issued a statement addressing an urgent appeal to Governments to consider generous contributions to the Trust Fund and to voluntary agencies for humanitarian assistance. The Committee has continued efforts, through approaches to a number of permanent representatives and by other appropriate means, to promote increased contributions.

8. The Committee notes with satisfaction that the contributions to the Trust Fund have substantially increased during the year, enabling it to make larger grants for assistance inside the three territories and for assistance to refugees. It has also been informed of an increase in direct contributions to voluntary organizations. But it wishes to stress that the needs continue to grow constantly and that even larger contributions are indispensable in the coming period.

9. In this connexion, the Committee expresses its grave anxiety over the new wave of repression launched by the Government of South Africa on 19 October 1977.

10. Finally, the Committee wishes once again to express its great appreciation and gratitude to the Secretary-General for his constant encouragement and assistance. It also wishes to express its appreciation to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and to the voluntary organizations concerned for their continued co-operation. It acknowledges with appreciation the services of the Centre against Apartheid in the discharge of its responsibilities.