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Agenda item 31POLICIES OF APARTHEID OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAReport of the Special Political CommitteeRapporteur: Mr. Jorge Eduardo CHEN CHARPENTIER (Mexico)

1. In a letter dated 21 September 1984 (A/SPC/39/1), the President of the General Assembly informed the Chairman of the Special Political Committee that at its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 1984, the General Assembly, 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 2 October, that organizations and individuals wishing to be heard by the Committee should submit their requests to the Chairman in writing, no later than 26 October 1984; 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; and that organizations and individuals whose requests were approved by the Committee would be heard at meetings to be held on 5, 6 and 7 November.

3. At its 17th and 20th meetings, on 31 October and 2 November, the Committee considered and approved 19 requests for hearings, contained in documents A/SPC/39/L.3 and Add.1-18.

4. At its 22nd and 24th meetings, on 5 and 6 November, the Committee heard statements by the following 18 persons:

Mr. Philip Oke, Christian Peace Conference;
Ms. Beatrice von Roemer, International Confederation of Free Trade Unions;
Ms. Jeanne Woods, National Anti-Imperialist Movement in Solidarity with
African Liberation;

Ms. Vera Michelson, Capital District Coalition against Apartheid and Racism;
Mr. Arnold Braithwaite, U.S. Peace Council;
Ms. Gay McDougall, Southern Africa Project of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law;
Mr. Kwame Ture, All African People's Revolutionary Party;
Mr. Quentin Smith, African Heritage;
Mr. Paul Wee, Lutheran World Federation;
Ms. Stephanie Urdang, American Committee on Africa;
Mr. Bojana Jordan, American-South African Peoples' Friendship Association;
Ms. Julie Nalibov, Revolution in Africa Action Committee;
Mr. Frank Dexter Brown, National Association of Black Journalists;
Ms. Yvonne Ismail, People's Organization for Progress;
Ms. Paula Finn, Art against Apartheid;
Mr. Richard Harvey, International Association of Democratic Lawyers;
Ms. Adrien Wing, National Conference of Black Lawyers;
Ms. Vicki Erenstein, National Lawyers Guild.

5. The proceedings of the Committee are reproduced in the verbatim records of its 22nd and 24th meetings (A/SPC/39/PV.22 and 24).

6. At its 24th meeting, the Committee decided to submit a report to the General Assembly.
