

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 24, 1972  
TO: All Black Faculty and Staff  
FROM: Umoja (Black Student Union)  
RE: Meeting

The Council of Ministers of the Black student organization at SUNYA respectfully requests you to attend a meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 1972. The purpose of this meeting is to familiarize the Black faculty and staff with the nature and purpose of our organization, and to make use of the many talents you have to offer. Our goals are ambitious, but we are confident that with your help they are easily obtainable. Please make every effort to be present. The meeting will be at 3:00 p.m. in Lecture Center 4

Anthony M. Belcher  
Acting Prime Minister

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African Liberation Week

Remember

Sharpeville March 21, 1961

70 Dead 200+ wounded  
demonstrating peacefully against  
South Africa's oppressive pass laws.

Support Umoja Clothing Drive  
for  
African liberation fighters & their families

Collection hours & locations:

Campus Center - 11:00 - 3:00  
Quad dinner lines - 4:30 - 6:30  
EOP Office - All Day  
Afro-American Studies - All Day  
Puerto Rican Studies - All Day



INFORMATION SHEET

African Liberation Week

The freedom of Black people all over the world is directly related to the success of the African liberation movement. Black people are presently waging war against colonialism and oppression in the Portuguese colonies of Guinea Bissau, Angola and Mozambique and against white minority settler rule in South Africa, Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) and Namibia (Southwest Africa). We in the western hemisphere can help the movement for liberation in Southern Africa. The Black Student Organization (Umoja) has taken the vanguard position in bringing about an awareness of the current situation in Southern Africa and helping to make the struggle a successful one.

To bring about this goal, Umoja is launching a massive clothing drive to raise a minimum of 700 lbs. of clothing to be sent to the Liberation Committee of the Organization of African Unity to be distributed according to need. The drive begins Monday, March 20, 1972 with African Liberation Week. It will be a week of activities commemorating the anniversary of the Sharpeville Massacre on March 21, 1960 in which over 70 Blacks were killed and over 200 wounded during a peaceful march protesting the South African pass laws. These laws require that every African carry an identification book with his picture, place of employment, age, etc. and the signature of his current employer. This book is to be presented at the request of authorities at any time.

For most of Africa, 1960 marked the date of their legal independence. For Southern Africa, 1960 and the years after marked the beginning of guerilla warfare aimed at liberating the African masses.

The planned activities will begin Tuesday, March 20 with a showing of the video tape made of Brother Ngqondi Masimini of the Pan African Congress of South Africa when he spoke here in early March. Brother Masimini is a freedom fighter and is intimately aware of the situation in Southern Africa. Wednesday, there will be a presentation by the Afro-American Studies Dept., Thursday, there will be a panel discussion on WSUA at 8:00 P. M., Friday, there will be a presentation by Afro-American Studies and Saturday, there will be a fund raising event (to be announced) and Sunday, The Urban League Speaks, will have a special on South Africa on Channel 13.

Clothing will be collected from 11:00 - 3:00 in the Campus Center, from 4:30 - 6:30 on the dinner lines on each quad, in the EOP Office all day, in the Afro-American Studies Office, in the Puerto Rican Studies Dept. Office and at each function planned this week. The drive itself will run for the rest of the semester. We will take any articles of clothing available. We prefer khakis and combat boots however.

Your contribution will help Africans insure for themselves that they will have government by the majority dedicated to their well being. We thank you.

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Liaison for Umoja



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Student Union

Meeting - Friday Sept 7

at Alden Hall

Downtown Campus

7:30 p.m.