

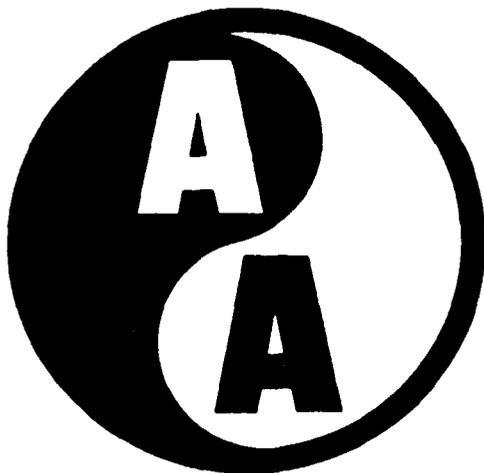
# **MERSEYSIDE**

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**TRADE UNION CONFERENCE**

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# **AGAINST APARTHEID**



**TRANSPORT HOUSE LIVERPOOL**

**Saturday 28th. February 1987**

**9-30am.-5-00pm.**

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# CONFERENCE AGENDA

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Chair: HASH DAZ (USDAW)

- 9.30am. Registration
- 10.00am. Opening session  
Greetings from guest national trade union speaker and representative of the Anti Apartheid Movement.
- 10.30am. The Liberation Movement and the struggle against Apartheid speakers from the ANC, SWAPO and SACTU.
- 11.30am. Tea break
- 11.45am. Questions to the Liberation Movement on the struggle against Apartheid in South Africa.
- 12.30pm. Lunch break
- 1.30pm. Workshops ( see opposite )
- 3.30pm. Report back from workshops and closing speech from the ANC.

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## CONFERENCE AIMS

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Explain the nature of apartheid, its effects on the lives of black people in South Africa and Namibia, and the extent of British complicity.

Outline the history of the ANC and SWAPO, and their demands and programmes.

Examine trade union policies on apartheid and provide a forum for discussing their local implementation.

Involve local trade unionists in the campaign for mandatory economic sanctions and the activities of the Anti Apartheid Movement (AAM).

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# CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

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[more detailed background papers will be available to all delegates]

## **1. BRITAIN IN SOUTH AFRICA, SOUTH AFRICA IN BRITAIN. THE DISINVESTMENT CAMPAIGN**

Terms of Reference: Local Authority investment in South Africa, British Companies dealing with South African goods and relations with companies who trade or invest in apartheid.

Ideas on Disinvestment strategy.

Union policies and co-operation.

Local Authority action against apartheid.

## **2. TRADE WITH APARTHEID - RETAIL GOODS**

Terms of Reference: The extent of trade and the case for a consumer boycott. Current campaign and possible initiatives.

Trade Union education - can we do more ?

Co-operation with local AAM groups in identifying and organising where action is necessary.

## **3. APARTHEID CALLING**

Terms of Reference: Apartheid spends millions of pounds in Britain advertising itself. How can we counter this and expose the real nature of the Apartheid system.

Advertising in the media - Education and Propaganda - Promoting freedom.

## **4. TRADE WITH APARTHEID - INDUSTRIAL GOODS AND MINERALS.**

Terms of Reference : Britain has major trading interest in South Africa and Namibia in minerals such as coal, uranium and gold as well as industrial goods.

How important is this trade - are there other sources - what are these materials used for - will sanctions mean redundancies ?

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# REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete and return to:

Merseyside Trade Union Conference against Apartheid  
c/o Liverpool Nalگو, Product Exchange Buildings, 6 Victoria St.  
Liverpool L2 6QJ

Delegates trade union organisations only (no limit)

1. Name.....  
Representing.....  
Address (for credentials etc ).....  
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2. Name.....  
Representing.....  
Address.....  
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We enclose the registration fee

Delegates £3 £.....

A creche will be provided if the demand is there.

It is essential that conference delegates book places before  
the conference.

Number of children.....Age of children.....

Appeal for donations. The conference costs will be in excess of  
delegate and observer fees, which have been kept low to allow  
less wealthy branches to attend. Please make a donation to the  
conference expenses.

We enclose a donation £.....

It is important for the planning of this conference that  
you indicate which policy discussion groups your delegates  
will wish to attend.

- 1. The Disinvestment Campaign
- 2. Trade with Apartheid - Retail goods and consumer Boycott
- 3. Apartheid calling
- 4. Trade with Apartheid - Industrial goods and minerals