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Dear Sir

The United Democratic Front - an alliance of over five hundred non-racial and democratic organisations opposed to the new constitution and the Black Local Authorities Act plus the Orderly Movement and Settlement of Black Persons and the Black Development Boards Bills - declares its full support for the expressed US attitude towards the Ciskei and the extreme repression in that part of South Africa.

Your government struck a particularly right chord in placing the responsibility for those excesses where it rightly belongs - at the door of the Nationalist government which has delegated and supports Sebe and his government in his actions.

But the US government has also left our people dismayed and indignant when it expressed full support for Pretoria's so-called new deal during debates on this issue in the General Assembly of the United Nations.

In deciding to support this government's constitutional initiative the United State's government did not only ignore our people's expressed and active opposition to this set of legislation but, it also ignored the fact that because it entrenches Apartheid this legislation will have the final effect of extending the Ciskei carnage to envelope the rest of South Africa.

It would seem/...

It would seem, therefore, that support for the so-called new deal contradicts your well - conceived judgement on the Ciskei question. Your government is urged to review and reconsider its support for this government in the interests of justice and peace.

Yourd Haithfully

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