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Message of welcome

Welcome to the End Conscription Campaign's 1993 Peace Festival.

Our festival is taking place almost exactly 10 years after a conference of the Conscientious Objector Support Group at which a decision was made to launch a campaign against conscription.

Recently what is probably the last whites-only military call-up took place. As we stand on the threshold of a new political dispensation in South Africa, we in ECC believe that our work of opposing the conscription system is almost done.

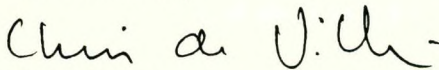
There are nevertheless obviously many tasks and challenges which still lie ahead. Our festival is intended to provide a forum for people to examine a range of issues related to the question of peace. In the different sessions participants will not only be examining various technical issues but will also, we hope, be looking practically at the task of bringing about peace in South Africa.

ECC will be shutting up shop in the not too distant future. However a number of issues which ECC dealt with in the past remain unresolved. One of the workshops will be looking at the question of whether there is a need for a new peace movement in South Africa. Possibly this festival will provide the impetus for the formation of such a new movement.

We have called this event a festival and not just a conference. At the same time that we are debating and examining the various issues which make up our programme, we hope also to celebrate our commitment to a just peace in our land, as called for in ECC's original declaration.

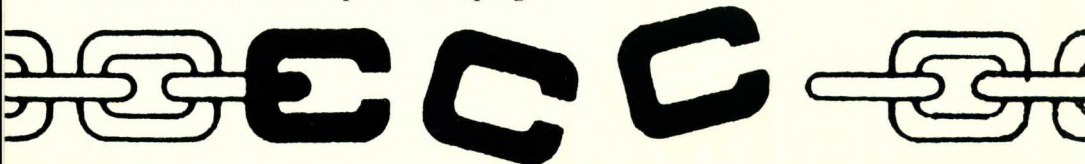
We hope that you will find the serious side to our festival stimulating and constructive, and that you will also enter into a spirit of celebration with us this weekend.

Yours sincerely



Chris de Villiers

For the End Conscription Campaign



Opening Programme

Welcome and introduction

- **Chris de Villiers**
(ECC Chairperson)

Opening address

- **Nelson Mandela**
(ANC National President)

- **Maggie O'Kane**
(Winner of the 1992 British Journalist of the Year Award for her coverage in *The Guardian* of the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina)



Songs from:

- ◆ the Amanzimtoti Choir
- ◆ the Sacred Heart Junior School Choir
- ◆ Thokoza migrant workers

Display of the history of ECC through posters, stickers, banners, T-shirts and pamphlets.

**Student Union Arcade
Friday 16 July
7:30pm**



PEACE KEEPING IN SOUTH AFRICA

Plenary:

The National Peace Accord – Can It Bring Peace?

This session looks at the National Peace Accord, whether Peace Accord structures have been effective in resolving conflicts and preventing violence, and how the Peace Accord can be strengthened.

Student Union Arcade
Saturday 17 July
9:45am

Chair: **Bishop Peter Storey**

Sydney Mufamadi (ANC Peace Desk)

Senzo Mfayela (IFP)

Laura Pollecutt (Lawyers for Human Rights)

Antonie Gildenhuys (National Peace Secretariat)

Intervening to Prevent Violence

WORKSHOP
Saturday 17 July
11:30am

A look at the roots of the violence in South Africa as well as how monitoring can be used as an effective tool for curbing the violence. The workshop involves practical training in violence monitoring, conflict resolution and mediation.

Venitia Govender and **Sally Sealey**
(both of the Independent Board of Inquiry)



Community Initiatives Against Violence

A look at what kinds of violence communities are confronted with and different community based initiatives aimed at protecting communities against violence.

Chair: **Sheila Sisulu** (Joint Enrichment Programme)

Self Defence Unit member (to be confirmed)

Jacob Dlomo (Jeppe Hostel)

German Mlatsheni (Selby Hostel)

Gerald Williamson (Eldorado Park Centre for Peace Action)

Existing self-defence units (SDUs) should be scrapped and replaced with people's peace corps, former Umkhonto weSizwe (MK) chief of staff and SACP general secretary Chris Hani said this week.

Hani said that some of the problems being experienced with existing SDUs could be traced back to the fact that they were formed hurriedly at a time when townships were being subjected to rampant and unprecedented levels of violence.

"We ought to go back to our communities, set up street and area committees of carefully selected people and build peace corps controlled by the whole community," Hani said.

"SDUs should no longer belong to political organisations, but to the community. They should be controlled by organisations from civil society right across the political spectrum."

From *The New Nation*, 8 April 1993.

WORKSHOP
Saturday 17 July
11:30am



Chris Hani

A National Peace Keeping Force

This workshop looks at some of the debates around the establishment of a peace keeping force (PKF) in the run-up to elections. What is the motivation for establishing a PKF? How will the PKF be formed? What is the difference between a peace keeping force and other military forces? What special skills will PKF members be equipped with? What will be the role of the PKF? Once the PKF is created, will the SADF continue to be deployed in dealing with violence, or will this be the sole responsibility of the PKF?

Chair: **Abba Omar**

Bishop Stanley Mogoba

(National Peace Accord)

Indarin Govender

(Lawyers for Human Rights)

Calvin Khan (MK)

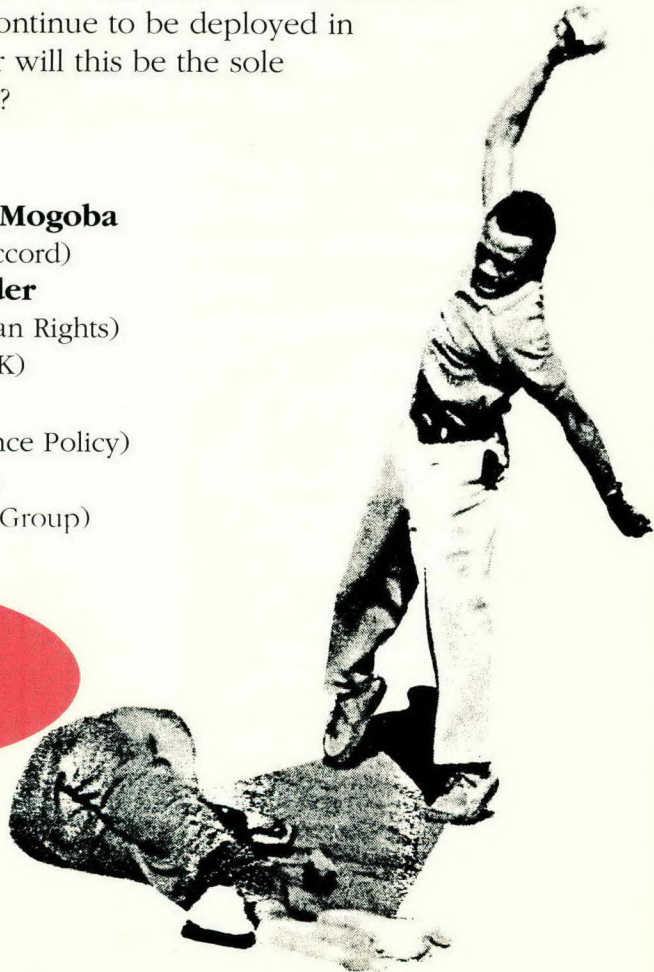
Jakkie Cilliers

(Institute for Defence Policy)

Rocky Williams

(Military Research Group)

WORKSHOP
Saturday 17 July
11:30am



After Elections in Angola – What can we Learn?

A look at the situation in Angola and the UN peace keeping initiative there. Why did the negotiated settlement break down? What role are South Africans playing in the conflict? In what way can South Africans be of assistance to the people of Angola? What are the prospects for peace?

Chair: **Jeremy Cronin**

(South African
Communist Party)

Joe Hanlon

(International guest
speaker: see below)

Albie Sachs

(ANC)

Gwen Lister

(Editor of
The Namibian)

Joe Hanlon is Editorial Director at Panos and Editor of the *Mozambique Peace Process Bulletin*. He was an observer to the 1992 Angolan elections and the 1993 Malawi referendum and is the author of *Mozambique: Who Calls the Shots?* and other books on Southern Africa.



WORKSHOP
Saturday 17 July
11:30am

ARMED FORCES IN TRANSITION

Plenary:

Ensuring Free and Fair Elections – control of the armed forces

This session will look at the issue of the role of the armed forces in the elections. By looking at the electoral process in various countries such as Namibia, Cambodia and Angola we hope to get a picture of some of the difficulties that we in South Africa might face during the build-up to elections.

Chair: **Albie Sachs** (ANC constitutional lawyer)
Joe Hanlon (International guest speaker)
Randy Erentzen (Centre for Development Studies, UWC)
Gwen Lister (Editor of *The Namibian*)
Mohammed Valli Moosa (ANC constitutional expert)
Maxwell Nemadzivhanani (PAC)



Student Union Arcade
Saturday 17 July
2:00pm

Integration of Armed Forces

WORKSHOP
Saturday 17 July
4:00pm

This workshop will focus on the SADF during the period before elections:

- Will the SADF continue to be deployed inside South Africa? In what way, if at all, will the SADF be involved in the formation of a Peace Keeping Force?
- Is there a need for recruitment into the SADF to continue in the period prior to elections? What recruitment policy will the SADF make use of? Will conscription continue or be phased out?
- What measures can be taken to prepare the SADF for the integration with other armed forces that will take place after elections?

Chair: **Greg Mills** (University of the Western Cape)
Jakkie Cilliers (Institute for Defence Policy)
Calvin Khan (MK)
Laurie Nathan (Centre for Intergroup Studies)



Intelligence Organisations and Disclosure

WORKSHOP
 Saturday 17 July
 4:00pm

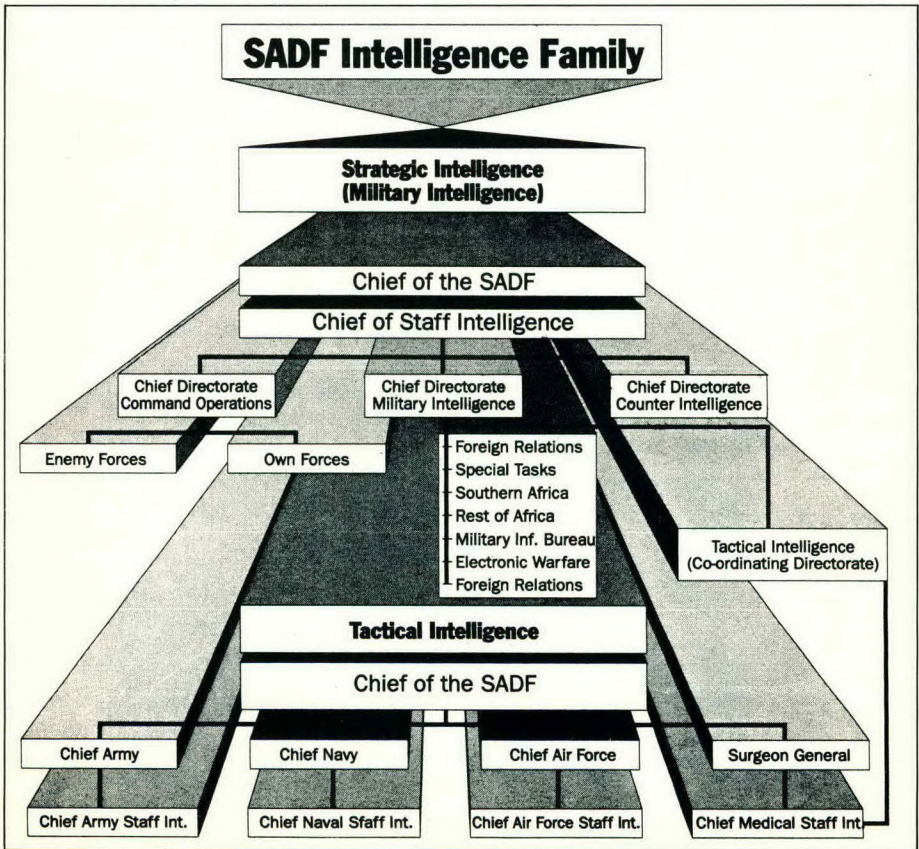
Focuses on Military Intelligence (MI) during the period before and after elections; the question of disclosure as a condition for integration of MI members into a future defence force; and the type of intelligence system which should be developed in a future South Africa.

Chair: **Jacques Pauw** (Journalist)

Rocky Williams (Military Research Group)

Willem Steenkamp (ex-President's Council member)

MK speaker (to be confirmed)



The Police as Peace Keepers

– the need for local accountability

Looks at the future of the SAP. How can the SAP be transformed into a force which is relied on and trusted by the community? How can the SAP become more effective in dealing with crime? What role can communities and local accountability play in this?

Chair: **Audrey Coleman** (Peace Action)

Colonel Alf Dyke (South African Police)

Jacob Noe (Soweto Anti-Crime Initiative)

Maxwell Nemadzivhanani (PAC)

Gerald Williamson (Eldorado Park Centre for Peace Action)

Vincent Mntambo (Independent Mediation Services of SA)

WORKSHOP
Saturday 17 July
4:00pm





The Right Wing

WORKSHOP
Saturday 17 July
4:00pm

The white right wing is not a single armed force but a heavily armed community.

Who are the right wing? How are they organised and what do they stand for? Is it possible to accommodate them in a new dispensation? What threat does the right wing present to the peace process both politically and militarily? What are the implications of the existence of the right wing in relation to the question of finding peace in South Africa? How should we respond to them?

Chair: **Braam Viljoen** (National Peace Secretariat)
Afrikaner Volksunie speaker (to be confirmed)
Hennie Serfontein (*Vrye Weekblad* journalist)
Carl Niehaus (ANC spokesperson)

Looking Back at ECC

Ice-breaking session, reflecting on the history of the End Conscription Campaign.

Host: **Mike Rautenbach**

Janet Cherry (1980s ECC activist)

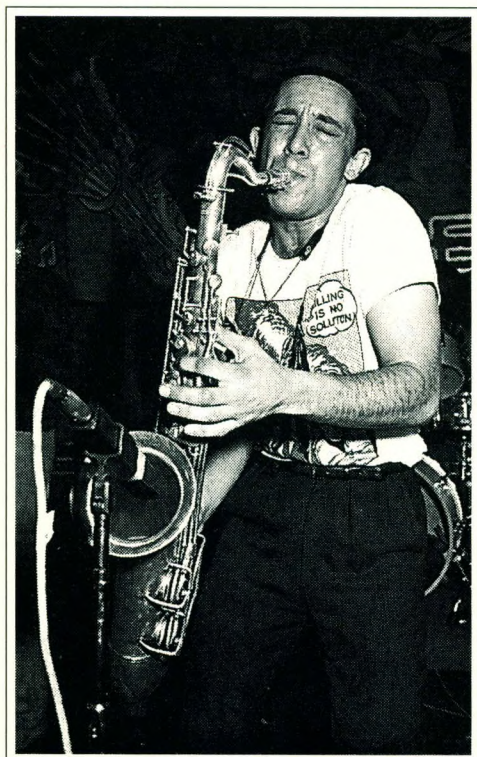
Chris de Villiers (Present ECC Chairperson)

Richard Steele (Conscientious Objector)

Nan Cross (ECC & COSG activist)

Student Union
Saturday 17 July
9:00am

Special session on Bosnia-Herzegovina
– **Maggie O’Kane**



Student Union
Saturday 17 July
6:00pm

Supper
with music by:

- Elite Swingsters
- Tananas
- Bush Culture.

Main Dining Room
Saturday 17 July
7:00pm

PEACE RESOURCES

People Opposing Woman Abuse (POWA)

POWA provides emotional support, information and practical assistance to rape survivors, battered women and women who have been sexually harassed. Assistance is provided through a telephonic support service, a face to face support service, support groups for women in this position, correspondence and a long term shelter for battered women and their children. POWA's service is confidential and free. POWA can be reached on **(011) 642-4345**.

Peace Action

Peace Action is an independent violence monitoring organisation in the PWV region, attempting to curb the violence through non-violent action. Peace Action have fieldworkers who can come to your area to help you when you have experienced violence. Peace Action will not give anyone your name and address unless your permission is given. If you are a victim of violence, Peace Action can help you get lawyers and refer you to doctors. When you call Peace Action after a violent incident they will investigate the incident themselves and try to ensure that the people responsible are brought to justice.

If you think there is going to be violence in your area; if there is violence in your area; if violence has taken place in your area: **call Peace Action's 24 hour pager service at 339-5674** ask for **code 27030** – Leave your name and a phone number and someone will call you back within 5 minutes.

Trauma Clinic

If you have experienced violence and would like someone to talk to about your experiences you can phone the Trauma Clinic which offers free and confidential counselling. The trauma Clinic is based in Braamfontein and can be reached on **(011) 403-5102**.

Centre for Peace Action

The Centre, which is based in Eldorado Park in Johannesburg, aims to reduce violence, e.g. wife battering, child abuse and gang violence, by assisting survivors of violence as well as through community development and empowerment. Telephone (and fax): **(011) 342-1140/1/2**.

PEACE FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

Friday 16 July

6:30pm **Cheese and wine party** *Student Union Arcade*

7:30pm **Opening Programme** *Student Union Arcade*

Speakers:

Chris de Villiers, Maggie O'Kane and Nelson Mandela

Music and cultural events by:

- ◆ Amanzimtoti Choir
- ◆ Thokoza migrant workers
- ◆ the Sacred Heart Junior School Choir.

Saturday 17 July

9:00am **Looking Back at ECC** *Student Union Arcade*

Theme: Peace Keeping in South Africa

9:45am **Plenary: The National Peace Accord**
– Can it Bring Peace? *Student Union Arcade*

11:00 am **Tea and Coffee** *Main Dining Room*

11:30 am **Workshops** *Venues to be announced*

- ◆ Intervening to Prevent Violence
- ◆ Community Initiatives Against Violence
- ◆ A National Peace Keeping Force
- ◆ After Elections in Angola – What Can We Learn?

1:00pm **Lunch** *Main Dining Room*

Theme: Armed Forces in Transition

2:00pm **Plenary: Ensuring Free and Fair Elections**
– Control of the Armed Forces *Student Union Arcade*

3:45pm **Tea and Coffee** *Main Dining Room*

4:00pm **Workshops** *Venues to be announced*

- ◆ Integration of Armed Forces
- ◆ Disclosure and Intelligence Organisations
- ◆ The Police as Peace Keepers
– the need for local accountability
- ◆ The Right Wing

6:00pm **Special Session on Bosnia-Herzegovina**
Venue to be announced

7:30pm **Supper and music by:** *Main Dining Room*
★ The Elite Swingsters ★ Bush Culture ★ Tananas

Sunday 18 July

9:00am **Interfaith Prayers for Peace** *Student Union Arcade*

Theme: Developing a Peaceful Society

9:30am **Mini-plenary: Developing a Human Rights Culture**
Students Union Arcade

10:15am **Tea and Coffee** *Main Dining Room*

10:30am **Workshops** *Venues to be announced*

- ◆ A Future Defence Policy
- ◆ Healing the Wounds of the Past in South Africa
- ◆ Peace Education in Schools
- ◆ A Voluntary Civilian Service
- ◆ A New Anti-Militarization Movement

12:00 noon **Open Session – Festival Conclusion** *Arcade*

PEACE RESOURCES

National Peace Accord

The National Peace Committee has established offices in 11 regions:

Natal / KwaZulu	Tel 031-32-7652	Fax 031-368-1756
Eastern Cape	041-53-1238	041-54-4366
Eastern Transvaal	0135-90-3585	0135-90-1045
Border / Ciskei	0431-43-9900	0431-42-0306
Western Transvaal	018-462-6221	018-462-3886
Wits / Vaal	011-339-6294	011-339-6165
Western Cape	021-94-1075	021-948-8246
Orange Free State	051-30-3017	051-30-3740
Northern Cape	0531-2-1378	0531-2-1377
Far Northern Transvaal	01521-91-4347	01521-7-1663
Northern Transvaal	012-322-4640	012-320-1483

Local Peace Committees have been established and are available to deal with problems in the different regions. In addition the Wits/Vaal region runs a 24 hour Peace Line telephone service on the tollfree number **0800-116555**. The Peace Line staffers will be able to refer callers to the chairperson of the Local Peace Committee or another appropriate person.

Network of Independent Monitors (NIM)

NIM offers assistance, to victims of violence and organisations involved with violence related issues, through its broad range of accredited organisations. The scope of NIM's work includes violence monitoring, legal assistance and organisational development through the co-ordination of organisations working in these areas. NIM can be contacted at:

Transvaal	Tel 011-833-1645	Fax 011-832-1436
Border / Ciskei	0431-43-5120	0431-43-8682
Western Cape	021-448-4484	
Eastern Cape	041-54-5402	041-54-5328
Natal	031-304-3526	031-304-2493
National	031-266-8034	code 14069

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and keep the information for later use.**

DEVELOPING A PEACEFUL SOCIETY

Mini-Plenary:

Developing a Human Rights Culture

This plenary will look at how to build a society which is based on the recognition of Human Rights. It will look at the ANC's proposal for a Bill of Rights and the question of the right to conscientious objection in this.

Chair: **Mandy Taylor** (ECC activist)

Albie Sachs (ANC constitutional expert)

Student Union Arcade
Sunday 18 July
9:30am



A Future Defence Policy

The point of departure for this workshop is that security policy should go beyond achieving an absence of war to encompass the pursuit of democracy, sustainable economic development and social justice. The workshop will look at issues such as the role and functions of a future defence force, personnel procurement, civil-military relations and a possible future regional security agreement.

Chair: **Roddy Payne** (Consultative Business Movement)

Laurie Nathan (Centre for Intergroup Studies)

WORKSHOP
Sunday 18 July
10:30am

The Defence Budget

The 1993 Defence Budget (R9,335 billion) represent a 14% decrease in real terms on the 1992 budget of R9,704 billion.

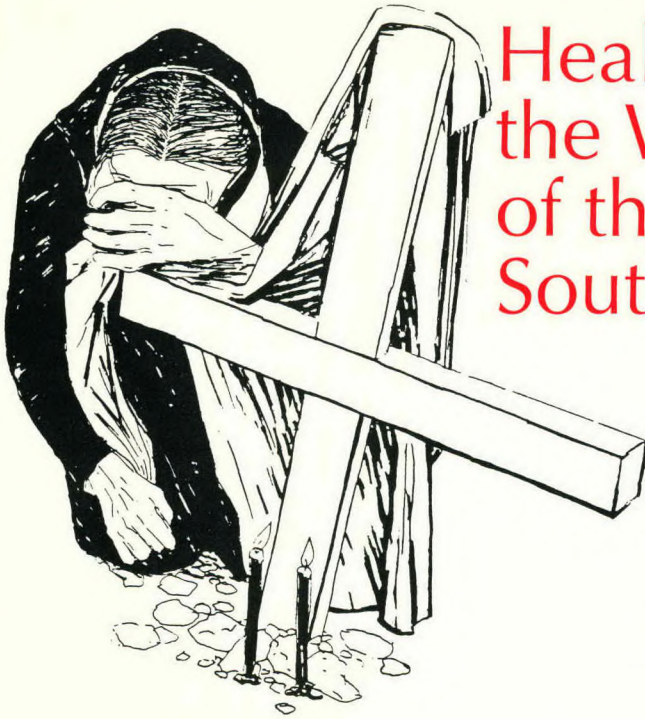
The defence budget as a percentage of total government expenditure has decreased from 15,7% in 1989 to 8,2% in 1993. Defence spending as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product has decreased from 4,3% in 1989 to 2,6% in 1993.

Denel and Armscor

On 1 April 1992 all of the companies which had been part of Armscor broke away to form the Denel Group

of companies. Denel is a self-financing organisation with the government as its only shareholder. The group is comprised of 22 divisions or subsidiaries involved in the manufacture of different forms of military and other equipment. During 1992/93 Denel achieved an income of R2,818 billion.

Armscor continues as an arms procurement agency for the government (e.g. SADF, SAP, Prisons Service) but is no longer involved in the production of arms. During the year ended 31 March 1993 Armscor spent R3,679 billion on the purchase of arms.



Healing the Wounds of the Past in South Africa

WORKSHOP
Sunday 18 July
10:30am

During the last few decades many people have been at the receiving end of brutal and traumatic violence in South Africa. Some have lost their lives while others have suffered wounds of a physical or a psychological nature.

If we are to achieve peace and reconciliation in South Africa this will have to be in part through a process of healing. Friends, family, and others in our immediate environment can help us. Counselling and other such services can also provide us with an opportunity to talk about and thus heal some of the pain that we carry.

This group will explore some of the ways in which we can heal ourselves and others around us so as to contribute towards lasting peace in our country.

Chair: **Venitia Govender** (Independent Board of Inquiry)
Nthabiseng Mogale (Trauma Clinic)

Peace Education in Schools

Teaching teachers to teach peace – ways of promoting the inclusion of peace education in school curricula. The workshop will also aim to equip people with practical peace education skills.



Franz Auerbach

(Educationist)

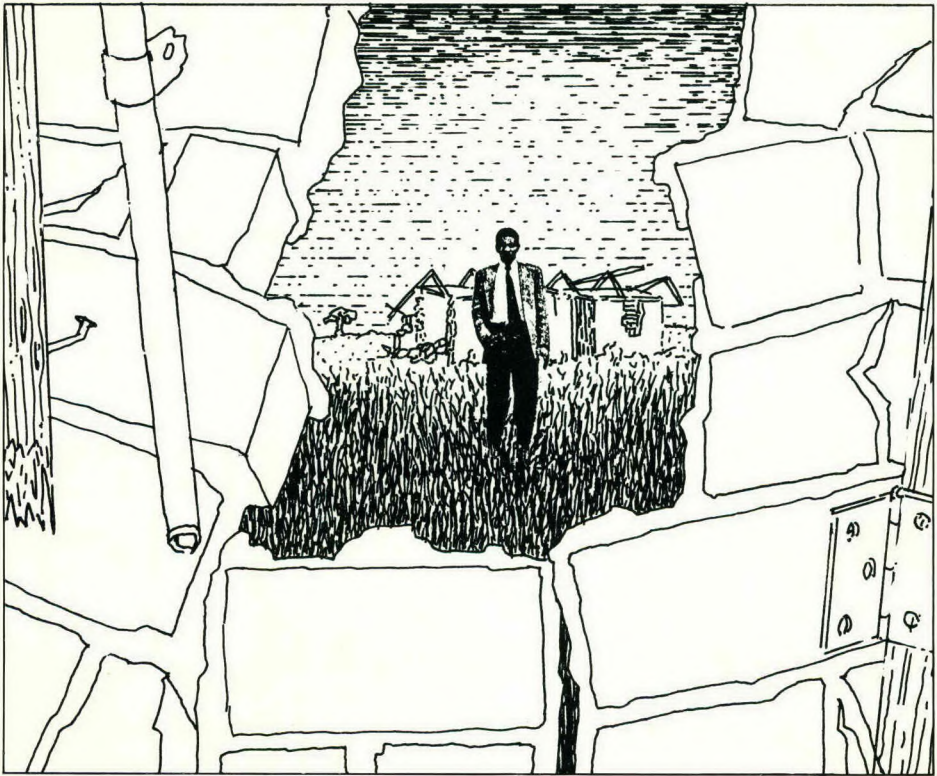
Adèle Kirsten

(ECC activist)

Anna Cheeseman

(Quaker peace activist)

WORKSHOP
Sunday 18 July
10:30am



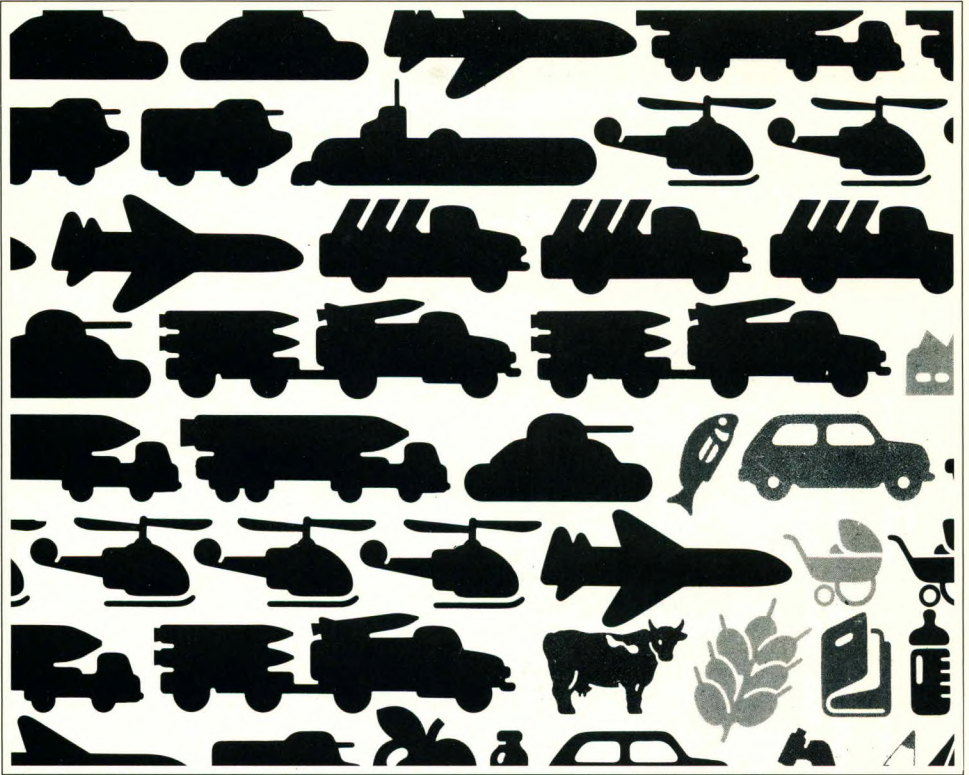
A Voluntary Civilian Service

WORKSHOP
Sunday 18 July
10:30am

The workshop will look at the differences between Chris Hani's concept of a peace corps, the American peace corps idea, and the debate about civilian or military forms of national service.

Chair: **Febe Potgieter** (ANC Youth League)

Jackie Cock (Professor of Sociology, Wits University)



A New Anti-Militarisation Movement?

WORKSHOP
Sunday 18 July
10:30am

South Africa remains a society which is plagued by violence. This workshop looks at the possibility of forming a new organisation to oppose militarisation in South Africa.

Chair: **Anita Kromberg** (Peace activist)

Rob Thomson (Methodist Order of Peacemakers)



Inter-Faith Prayers for Peace

Sunday 18 July at 9:00am in the Student Union Arcade

People from different religions come together and pray for peace.

Open Session: Festival Conclusion

Sunday 18 July at 12 noon in the Student Union Arcade

An assessment of the festival and a look at how to take forward some of the issues raised at the festival.

Chair: **Sheena Duncan** (Black Sash)

Richard Steele (ECC activist)

**ECC 10th Birthday
Variety Show
Tandoor,
Rockey Street
Sunday 18 July
6:00pm**



The Cherry Faced Lurchers,
Andrew Buckland,
Jennifer Ferguson,
Irene Stephanou,
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