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Message to ECC Peace Festival, 28.6.85

The Church of the Province of Southern Africa sends you greetings and good wishes for your Peace Festival.

In April this year the Anglican Bishops asked the Government to seek the path of negotiation and work towards an open, democratic society, rather than the way of violence and destruction presently being followed.

We share your commitment to justice and peace.

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The International Labour Research and Information Group sends its warmest solidarity greetings to all the participants in the End Conscription Campaign's Peace Festival.

We wholeheartedly endorse the Campaign's efforts to publicise the militarisation of our society. We cannot accept that the state is serious about reform when it uses its military apparatus to occupy townships, to invade and assault our neighbours, to continue to dominate the people of Namibia. We condemn the recent actions to undermine the sovereignty of Angola and Botswana, which are only the latest of many such attempts by the SADF.

There is an urgent need for a campaign such as the ECC to alert youth in particular, but many other South Africans; a campaign to remind them of their responsibilities to a democratic future for South Africa, and to work to remove the compulsion placed on them to become soldiers of apartheid.

We take special pleasure in greeting and welcoming the Cardinal of São Paulo, Dom Paulo Evaristo Arns, to our country. Dom Paulo has for many years been in the forefront of the struggle for social justice in Brazil. Until this year, Brazil suffered 21 years of military rule and its labour movement and popular organisations suffered terrible repression. Dom Paulo always spoke out and acted against such repression, not only in Brazil but also in Chile, Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay. We salute his contribution and ask him to use his knowledge of our struggle to inform the people of Brazil. In turn, there is probably much that we in South Africa will be able to learn from the struggles of workers and their allies in Brazil.

FORWARD THE ECC !

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ATT MR PRESIDENT

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END CONSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN PEACE FESTIVAL IN JOHANNESBURG,
SOUTH AFRICA.

REQUEST MESSAGE OF SUPPORT FOR PEACE FESTIVAL

THE END CONSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN (ECC) IS A NATIONALLY BASED
BROAD FRONT OF 50 PROGRESSIVE STUDENTS, CHURCH, POLITICAL
AND WOMENS ORGANISATIONS. HAVE CLOSE WORKING RELATIONS WITH
SACC AND UDF.

PRIMARY AIS TO OPPOSE COMPULSORY CONSCRIPTION OF WHITE MEN
INTO SADF IN BELIEF THAT SADF IS AGGRESSIVE FORCE AND OBSTACLE
TO PEACE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THAT IT'S PRIMARY FUNCTION IN
SA IS TO DEFEND APARTHEID. YOUNG MEN THEREFORE HAVE MORAL RIGHTS
TO REFUSE TO SERVE IN THE SADF.

FROM 28 - 30 JUNE WE ARE ORGANISING NATIONAL CONFERENCE:
''STOP THE CALL-UP : ECC FESTIVAL FOR PEACE''. THERE WILL BE
OVER 500 DELEGATES AND THOUSANDS WILL ATTEND PUBLIC MEETINGS.
SPEAKERS INCLUDE BISHOP TUT, CARDINAL ARNS (BRAZIL), AND LEADERS
OF UDF, SWAPO, INTERNATIONAL PEACE MOVEMENT AND ALL MAJOR CHURCHES

IN THE PAST MONTH SADF HAS INTENSIFIED IT'S AGGRESSIVE ROLE IN
SOUTHERN AFRICA WITH SABOTAGE ATTACKS IN CABINDA AND TERROR
ATTACKS IN GABORONE. IN THIS CONTEXT CALL TO END CONSCRIPTION
IS CRUCIALLY, NB NOT ONLY FOR OPPONENTS OF APARTHEID IN SA
BUT FOR ALL PEACE-LOVING PEOPLE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

WE WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU, AS HEAD OF GOVERNMENT OF FRONT-
LINE STATE, TELEXED US A MESSAGE IN SUPPORT OF OUR PEACE
FESTIVAL AND IN ENDORSEMENT OF CALLS TO END CONSCRIPTION AND
FOR A JUST PEACE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

THANKING YOU.

LAURIE NATHAN
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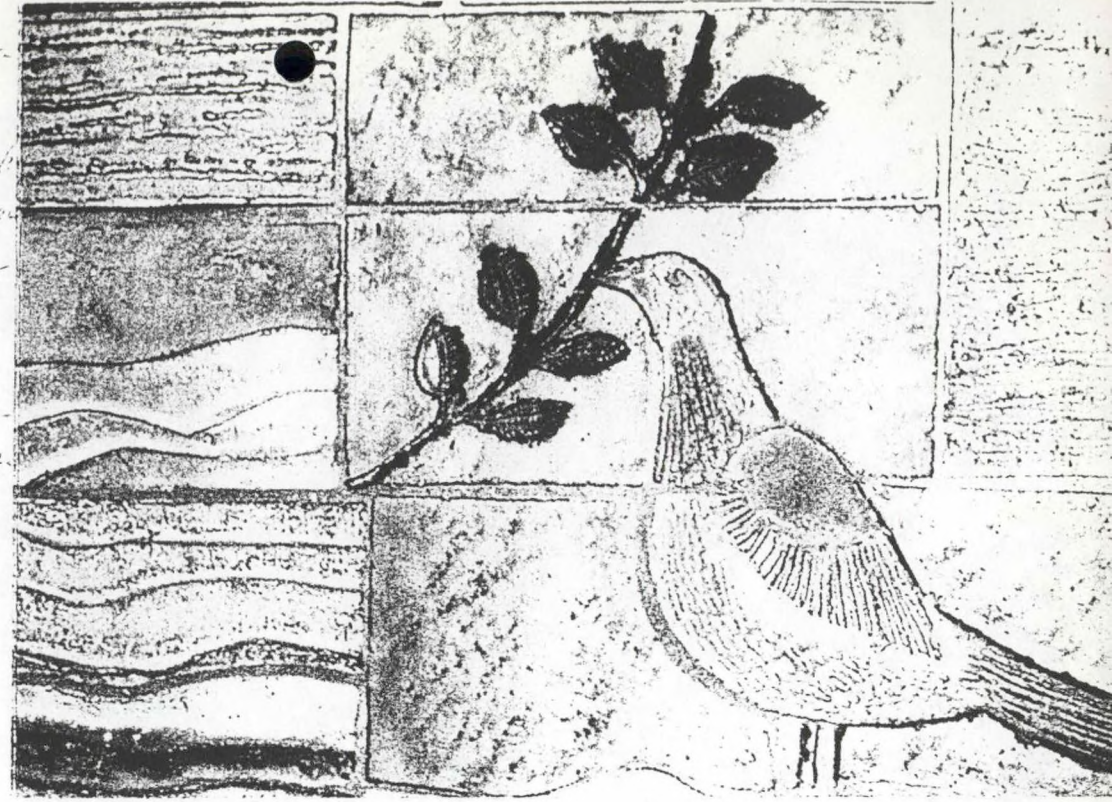
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des Lateinamerikatages und des Südafrika-
 tages zusammen mit Julia Erquicia
 aus Guatemala, die im Exil leben und
 segnet uns. Viele Menschen von dort danken
 an Euch und wünschen Euch bei Eurer
 Konferenz viel Kraft und Mut für Eure
 schweren Entscheidungen.

Bei unserer Mahnwache jenseits Donner-
 tag von 16:30 - 19:00 im Zentrum Frank-
 furts tragen wir regelmäßig ein Poster,
 das an Euren Einsatz erinnert!
 Herzliche Grüße
 Eure Wolke Trautwein
 (im Namen von Vielen)



Friede zwischen Gott und den Menschen
 Keramikwand von Lies und Heinz Ebinger, 5427 Bad Ems, im Haus Arche der
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Frankfurt, 17. Juni '85

Liebe Freunde der "End Concription
 Campaign":

Vom Deutschen Evangelischen Kirchentag
 in Düsseldorf senden Euch viele Leute
 aus dem "Herbst der Möglichkeiten" vom
 Stand der "Zivildienstleistenden" ihre
 Grüße. Ebenso dachten wir an Euch
 am Südafrikatag in Halle B und
 beim Nachtregen bei Sturm und Regen
 im Freigelände auf einer Wiese. Dort
 waren Teilnehmerinnen und Teilnehmer



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IFOR-Norway congratulates you on your initiative and **your** fight for peace with freedom, including the right to object to conscription. Norway is a staunch friend of all peoples of South-Africa, and we are proud about our Government and Parliament having decided to push harder for a society without racial injustice.

IFOR-Norway is presently engaged in peace- and human rights-work, with even accent on both. We have acted with force in Central-American-, as well as East-European issues.

The battle for a solution without more bloodshed in your part of the world is always in the forefront of our minds. So is the obvious right to conscientious objection, not only for Christian pacifists. We also engage vigorously in the different initiatives being taken against the arms-race, against trade with armament and for understanding between peoples.

Good luck to you and repeated congratulations on your courageous work.

Your's in peace and love of all African peoples,

Guri Ulfrstad
Chairman

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