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3/15/83 - Copy to Kennedy for response.
3/29/83 - HTShapiro general response sent.

Dear President Shapiro,

I a pleased to read that the state legislators now require state educational institutions to divest from corporations that operate in South Africa, and I urge you to do what you can to make the process of divestment quick and thorough

My concern over this issue comes in part from my membership in Amnesty International although that organization neither promotes nor opposes economic sanctions against any country engaged in human rights abuses, the publications I receive from them indicate that such abuses in South Africa are continuing and widespread. I am concerned also by recent and frequent newspaper reports of South Africa's harassment of its neighbors and by the 27 February 1983 New York Times report that pass law arrests have nearly doubled since 1980.

I feel, however, that the strongest case for divestment is that the oppressed people of the country and region support it.

I urge you to do likewise

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Sincerely,

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