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Dear Regents:

Having recently attended many sessions of your "Forum on South African Investments," I would like to express my sincere hope for complete University divestment. All aspects of the forum clearly displayed that divestiture is the only rational and moral action for all connected with this tragic situation. Along with divestment, the University should make a public statement calling for the withdrawal of all U.S. corporations from South Africa. This statement, coming from such a prestigious institution, would be extremely valuable in the effort to convince all institutions that similar actions must be taken.

Living conditions for blacks and other non-whites in South Africa are obviously unbearable--change is inevitable. Complete divestiture may be the last chance for a peaceful change; left with no other alternatives the blacks will be forced to violently revolt. Thus, not only will refusal to divest continue the ruthless and fascist white minority rule, but it will encourage a bloody and fatal move towards justice, rather than peaceful change. University investments in South Africa distinctly connects all of us at Michigan with the immoral racist rule--it is blood money and I demand immediate withdrawal!

Sincerely Yours,

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