March 28, 1988

The Western Province Council of Sport welcomes all officials and participants to Cape Town for the 1988 SACOS SPORTS FESTIVAL.

The staging of the Second Sports Festival after a period of 6 years is a tribute to the determination of the SACOS officials and those of its affiliates to honour the sportspersons who have made great sacrifices in the struggle for non-racialism in sport and society. It is a clear indication that the proponents of racist sport has failed dismally in their attempts to co-opt sections of the oppressed and exploited masses.

Since 1982, when the First SACOS FESTIVAL was staged, the international boycott of racist sport has intensified and that individuals who opportunistically participate in multi-national sport find themselves increasingly isolated in the sporting world.

The racist sport organisations with the support of big business have been forced to spend millions of rand to organise secret rebel tours in order to satisfy the aspirations of the franchised sportspersons. Despite all those manoeuvres they have been unable to lure the overwhelming majority of oppressed and exploited sportspersons to racist sport. On the contrary, the non-racial sports movement has grown tremendously during the past 6 years.

The State and its local agencies have also unsuccessfully attempted to destroy SACOS and its affiliates by denying them the use of sports facilities. Through the establishment of the Regional Services Councils in June 1987 the control of sportsfields in the townships and ghettos of the oppressed has been handed over to the Dummy local authorities like the Community Council, Local Affairs and Management Committees. These bodies have been rejected by the masses and willingly carry out the wishes of their masters. As such every attempt will be made by them to destroy the democratic peoples' sports organisation.

Like in the past, all these attempts will fail because the non-racial sports movement under the banner of the South African Council on Sport is firmly entrenched in, and committed to, the struggle for liberation of the oppressed and exploited masses.

The Western Province Council of Sport sees the 1988 Festival as an opportunity for sportspersons to re-affirm their commitment to struggle for non-racialism in sport and society. It is a display of unity and a broadening of the democratic base of non-racial sport. We salute the participants and trust that they will be tremendously strengthened by their participation in the festival.

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SOUTHAFRICA 7925

Dear Mr. Vdl Horst,

I only received your circular recently, and was surprised to find this message today, so I’m sending this reply by air mail because air mail has become so much longer the last few years.

As you probably know, ACCESS has been inactive for several years now, and the only activity in that line is now coming from Jerry Belshe in Chicago — Vera Michele in tennis (and their helpers). But I am happy to extend my best personal wishes for SacoSport’s Festival and the prospects of any orderly movement toward democracy in the beloved country following the 2nd major

Dr. Richard E. Lapchick, National Chairperson
Dr. John Dommissie, Secretary-General — Phone (804) 393-4066
cackling on dissent in 28 years. My resolve to
be of assistance in the struggle has grown stronger
by the year since 1960. But for the past 6-7 years,
I have seemed to be more needed in the struggle
for the health (mental + physical) of our people.
Therefore, that is where I have concentrated most
of my attention. Just this month the Journal
of the National Medical Association (the black US group,
of which I am one of the few white members) is
printing my 10th paper on Apartheid health.
This one is entitled "Health and Health Care in
Post-Apartheid South Africa".

When Dr. Lynn Clarke was over here about
a year ago, she called me several times to tell
me about a parcel she wanted to deliver to me.
We were looking forward to having her stay with
us but in the end her plans changed and we
didn't get to meet her nor receive the parcel!

Please give yourself and Morgan Madoso and
Enok Vanda and Don Kali and everyone (esp. the
Worcester + Boland ones) my best wishes and sun-
casting thanks for the wonderful job you are doing in
being the only sports organisation in SA keeping the
true Olympic spirit alive. Occasionally I'm still
in touch with Sambu R & Rich L.

In this struggle with you,

P5. Perhaps John Jackson will achieve the miracle we await!
SOUTH AFRICAN WOMEN'S HOCKEY BOARD

IN 1948 sixty visitors arrived in Port Elizabeth from Griqualand West, Western Province, Natal and Transvaal - to form the Board together with Eastern Province.

The first official tournament of the then S. African "Coloured" Women's Hockey Board took place and was won by Griqualand West.

The minute of that year states: "Financially tournament was a greater success than Port Elizabeth players had anticipated ...

Takings of the gate 91 pounds: 18 : 0
By sale of programmes 2 pounds: 10 : 0
By sale of season tickets 10 pounds: 5 : 0 "

The first officials of the Board were all from Port Elizabeth, viz:
Mr D. Jacobs (President); Mrs C. Wong-on (V. President); Miss G.D. Fredericks (Secretary); Miss C. Rensburg (Ass. Secretary) Mr C. March (Treasurer).

In 1956 a motion from Western Province was tabled and accepted, viz: "That the word "Coloured" be deleted from the name of the Board. Mrs Doreen Martin led the discussion ..." (extract from 1956 minute). And we arrived at the present S.A Women's Hockey Board. The Board has since grown and presently comprises ten provincial units, viz: Border, E P, Frontier, G West, N Natal, OFS, S Natal, Transvaal, W P and Witwatersrand.

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SOUTH AFRICAN HOCKEY BOARD

The non-racial South African Hockey Board has become a major force for freedom through many years of dedicated and principled struggle. Men’s Hockey grew out of the organisation of women’s hockey as far back as 1948 when friendly matches were played with the boyfriends and husbands of ladies’ teams. Since then a strong bond of co-operation and anti-sexism has developed in our struggle for social liberation.

Born in Fire

The S.A. Hockey Board was born in fire in 1970 when the racist S.A. Hockey Union tried desperately to abort its birth. They offered a second class inferior affiliation (of provincial status) on the basis of upholding segregated or apartheid sport through a liaison committee. This founding battle steel our members who adopted a principled role of struggle to reject apartheid sport and any form of collaboration with apartheid or its agents.

Collaboration

Today, the playing of the game of hockey, like all sport in South Africa, is fundamentally divided on the issue of collaboration with or total opposition to the minority apartheid regime’s policy of legalised racial discrimination, oppression and brutal repression of the courageous struggles of the black sports playing masses. Our organisation has a long and proud history of not only playing and fostering non-racial hockey but also total dedication to the movement for social equality of basic rights, human dignity and self-respect. This is extremely valuable in our country where such values are vulgarly destroyed by the racist policy of “white domination” and police violence.

Rooted Apartheid

Every effort was made by the racist S.A. Hockey Union to bring overseas touring teams to collaborate with this Apartheid social and sporting system and to make racist political propaganda out of their visits in the press, over television and the radio. They are deeply rooted in group areas venues, “white” social composition, co-operation with the government’s Department of Sport and Recreation, the incorporation of defence force teams and their venues, support for the racist S.A. Games which was officially opened by P.W. Botha, the Apartheid President. They are thus guilty of openly violating the Olympic Charter and the statutes of the International Hockey Federation (FIH) by practising “intentional discrimination on political, racial or religious grounds.”

Call for Expulsion from F.I.H.

The anti-racist South African Hockey Board has repeatedly called on the racist S.A. Hockey Union to forthwith terminate its membership from the F.I.H. and to publicly declare its total opposition to all hockey and sports tours (secretive or otherwise) to and from Apartheid South Africa until the violent, unjust Apartheid system with all its racial discriminatory laws and oppressive institutions are abolished. Since the racist S.A. Hockey Union has refused to accede to these demands, the anti-apartheid S.A. Hockey Board calls for its expulsion from the International Hockey Federation (F.I.H.):
AMATEUR VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA

AVASA: THE PRODUCT OF PRINCIPLED STRUGGLE

In order to reconstruct the history of the Amateur Volleyball Association of South Africa one needs to focus on its major activities since its inception in 1982. AVASA, like most progressive organisations, was born after a tremendous struggle, going as far back as 1978. This gradual building process surrounded grassroots activities at high school level particularly in Natal, the Eastern Province and the Western Province, and in 1982 culminated in a national inaugural meeting held in Port Elizabeth.

That inaugural meeting was itself the end-product of tremendous sacrifice. The Western Province delegates, for example, had to borrow R700,00 to enable them to get to the meeting. From this point onward the newly constituted AVASA swept aside all sorts of impediments to establish and consolidate itself nationally. It held its first National Coaching and Officialing course soon after its inauguration and within the next few months confirmed its commitment to the broader sports struggle by placing itself alongside twenty-one other national codes affiliated to SACOS. This enabled AVASA to participate in the first SACOS Sports Festival.

AVASA’s participation at the Festival, despite tremendous difficulties in obtaining a suitable venue, signalled its emergence as a people’s sport, and immediately challenged the monopoly of SAVU, which in accepting the government’s multinational sports policy, organised itself on racist lines.

Since then AVASA has developed into an organisation which unequivocally commits itself to the struggles of the working people and has stood proudly on the side of those fighting for and with the downtrodden and exploited. It has gone further, in constructing a tradition of democracy. A feature of its organisational life is the practice of holding mass council and player meetings with the conscious purpose of preventing all forms of bureaucracy from taking control of the organisation. Through occasions such as these, and in the manner in which the sport is played, AVASA has tried to instil in its members progressive ideas such as using one’s talents for the benefit of all, opposition to professionalism, selfishness and individualism. These qualities have become the hallmarks of AVASA and its members.

The steady growth of AVASA through 1984 and 1985 was hampered by the national crisis. Major events, such as national tournaments, were suspended. AVASA members felt that it was inappropriate to hold tournaments of this nature in the light of the intense struggles taking place in the townships and their occupation by the SADF and the SAP. Ironically, it was out of these life and death struggles that AVASA emerged a stronger and united force in 1986 with over 3 000 players representing over 250 clubs and school units participating in its programmes.

The 1987 Inter-Provincial tournament was also a great success. Held in Cape Town over two days in October ten units were represented at the tournament. The words of its immediate past-president in a message to that tournament capture the spirit of the organisation,

"...choosing to play under the AVASA banner is to stand fearlessly on the side of the downtrodden and toiling "masses"...this involves making sacrifices, using one's talents for the benefit of others playing under inferior conditions and becoming a committed and dedicated freedom fighter in sport...

May AVASA and all its units grow bigger and stronger to fulfil our aims of bringing sport to all townships..."
SASA TEAM:-
Back Row: Greg Willemburg (Coach), Natasha Visagie, Glenda Gordon, Cathy Fortune, Natasha Porthen, Wendy Felix, Jean Trout (Manageress)
Front Row: Pam Davids, Zlona Zietsman, Chantal Visagie, Lynne Walker, Karen Alexander, Natalie Sables
ABSENT:- Ms Chantal Jenkins

PRESIDENT TEAM:-
Back Row: Violet Petersen (Manageress), Althea Botha, Jasmine Savahl, Minnie Alexander, Ursula Rumble, Yolanda Laerdien, Paul Wilson (coach)
Sandra Williams, Amanda Alexander, Jillian Alexander, Althea Canterbury, Shaunette Jacobs, Vanessa Duncan
ATHLETICS

HIGHLIGHT OF THE SUMMER SEASON
ON behalf of the non-racial sportspersons of the Eastern Cape, I should like to tender our sincere thanks to the SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL ON SPORT for once again making the "Olympics of the Oppressed" possible. We are sure that such a massive undertaking must have taken a great deal of hard work, sacrifice and commitment from everyone involved in the organisation of the sports festival.

The festival takes place against a background of repression characterised mainly by detentions and the prolonged state of emergency and the banning of seventeen progressive, political, community and trade union organisations. The focus of the attack against SACOS as the sportswing of the liberation struggle is:

(a) To cut off SACOS and its affiliates from sponsorship;
(b) To destroy its nursery in the South African Primary Schools' Sports Association and the South African Senior Schools' Sports Association by intimidating and buying off teachers;
(c) To take control of Sports Affiliates by the imposition of Regional Services Councils.

These attacks have been fiercely resisted. The sports festival must show the enemy and the world outside that non-racial sport from school-life upwards, is alive and well and supported by most of the oppressed people.

It is in the nature of sport that sportspersons try to reach the highest possible standards. Our sportspersons have to achieve their best without the incentive of international competition because of SACOS' adherence to the United Nations' Moratorium on overseas tours. It is our fervent hope that the sports festival will prove an incentive to greater performances. However, if our sportspersons are not affiliated to the non-racial ethic they may be lured to the "so-called greener pastures" of apartheid sport in the selfish hope of improving their own standards. Such persons need to be reminded of the fate of Zola Budd and Mark Plaatjies.

At a time like this our minds turn to the many sportspersons and administrators who have been and still are in detention. One thinks particularly of Ihron Rensburg, President of the KwaZakhele Soccer Board, who has been in detention for almost two years without trial. The Eastern Province Council of Sport takes this opportunity of wishing all the officials, administrators and players a pleasant and enjoyable sports festival.
AMATEUR SWIMMING ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA

DURING the first week of March 1982, under almost primitive conditions compared to that of an Olympic swimming championships, the South African Amateur Swimming Federation (SAASwiF) and the South African National Amateur Swimming Association (SANASA) merged to form the Amateur Swimming Association of South Africa (ASASA). Whilst both these organisations were firm believers in the creed of non-racial sport, because of the artificial barriers which exist in our society their constituency was in the case of the former, predominantly so-called "coloured" and "Indian" and the latter, African. This merger therefore effected the coming together of all swimmers who believed that race, ethnicity, colour and creed had no place in any sport.

The most important reason why the two bodies merged was first and foremost, their unshakeable belief in the principle of non-racial sport. This is also the reason why any attempts at a merger between ASASA and the predominantly white SAASU will be difficult.

Our first national championships was swum in the anachronistic 25 yard pools of Florianville and Galeshewe in Kimberley and our most recent in a 55 yard pool in Orlando West in Johannesburg. We have also swum at the 33,3 yard Wynberg pool in Cape Town. The fact that these pool sizes are virtually obsolete is the least of our problems, when compared to the lack of starting blocks, lane ropes and sometimes even the most rudimentary equipment needed at a national championship, let alone a club. However, the fact that we have been able to introduce synchronised swimming and water polo at our national meetings despite having virtually no proper facilities, attests to ASASA's determination to foster swimming in the ghettos no matter what the circumstances.


The personalities who were the midwives who wetnursed ASASA into life had much to do, with the success of the Association. They, through their love and dedication for the sport moulded ASASA into one of the few truly non-racial sports bodies in the country and a pace setter in the ranks of SACOS organisations. Whilst it is always a tricky task to name people, a few bear mention. First is our late National President Monnathebe Senokoanyane who, with our current General Secretary Morgan Naidoo formed the engine room of ASASA. Our present National President Thabo Seotanyana, Harry Hendricks, Tim Boosyen, Lungelo Siquebeni, Lawrence Ratladi, Eric Barlow, Mike Davy, Satish Jagernath and Fikile Soni all contributed tremendously to the success of the merger.

Our swimming standards have undoubtedly improved one hundredfold since our inception, even though we are still far off world standards. This can be attributed directly to a scandalous lack of facilities, an even greater lack of finance and most of all, the system of apartheid. Thankfully, the commitment to improvement shown by the rank and file swimmers has not diminished one iota. We hope that we will be able to sustain our growth and improvement with the financial support we recently received from Carlton Papers to the tune of R50 000. If the merger and its subsequent history can assist similar ventures we humbly offer the following advice:

1. When sports bodies negotiate a merger they MUST have the full backing and mandate of their entire constituency and they must also keep them informed as to all negotiations and all decisions at all times.
2. The groups involved MUST be sure that they need to merge, that it is what they all want and that they know WHY they want to merge.
3. The only glue that will bind people together in merger talks is TOTAL HONESTY, SINCERITY and TRUST. We should always ask not what we will get out of the merger but rather what we can put into it.
4. Of cardinal importance is the willingness of both parties to see the other sides' point of view, since it may be worlds apart from one's own. One must avoid being dogmatic, be flexible, and exercise great tact and diplomacy. SACOS should not tolerate dual organisations.
**Restrictions**

**A TOTAL of 400 people were killed and 603 wounded by the police in the execution of their duties last year, the Minister of Law and Order, Mr. Adrian Vlok, said.**

In a written reply to a question from PFP's Mr. Tian van der Merwe, Mr. Vlok said 342 of the dead were black. He said 185 of these people were killed and 288 wounded while trying to escape arrest.

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**Church fears State action**

by FRANS ESTERHUYSE
Weekend Argus Political Staff

CHURCH leaders have warned that they see attacks by the Government on the Nkosi, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and Dr. Allan Desh as a prelude to State action against them.

**State offence convicts**

**Four released, then curbed**

It people held under the Emergency laws, including Zolile Mathews, the United Workers Union's Western Cape president, and Reuel Kanan, the Federation of South African Women's vice-president, have been released, they have been arrested. The people are alleged to be the leaders of a number of bands

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**Personal attacks a prelude?**

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**Emergency detainees named**

THE Minister of Law and Order, Mr. Adrian Vlok, has tabled the following 52 names of people detained in terms of regulation 3 of the emergency regulations under the Public Safety Act of 1953:

- Thamazulu, Gwela Goodman, Malelele Cedric, Malelele Zodwa, Malelele Zodwa
- Maduna, Zephaniah, Ngcobo Zodwa
- Mwabu Zephaniah, Ngcobo Zodwa
- Makaza, Babane, Malelele Zona
- Malelele Zodwa, Zona Philip, Mabalane Joko, Malelele Zodwa
- Mwabu Zephaniah, Ngcobo Zodwa
- Makaza, Babane, Malelele Zodwa, Zona Philip, Mabalane Joko, Malelele Zodwa

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**No action on SAP man**

No department that is in charge of an African police has been taken aside by African police who are against the police. No department has taken aside its own African police because of an African police. No department has taken aside its own African police because of an African police.
SOUTH AFRICAN NETBALL UNION

THIS organisation commenced in 1979 with +2,500 players.
There has been a rapid growth over the past 9 years and SANU presently has a registration of +5,500, of which 2,000 are juniors.

SANU has grown consistently in the player-fold as well as administration. In 1985 we commenced negotiations for a merger between ourselves and the South African Netball Board. This is to be finalised in 1988.

SANU is proud to be associated with all our fellow sportspersons participating in this prestigious festival as it reiterates the unity and togetherness within the non-racial sport fraternity.

May we, SANU, take this opportunity to firstly thank SACOS for their labours and may we all strive, without looking back and being negative, for a positive growth so that we may in unity enhance what we stand for - a non-racial sports unit to build a better and prosperous normal society.

May we continue to sacrifice for the struggle.

May this festival be a means of building steadfast and positiveness within the codes and may we all strive for the betterment of ourselves, our children, our future.

Unity is strength and strength is in numbers which can only bring us positive results, so may we all strive for positive growth and build our future.

We wish you every success.

Yours faithfully

Cheryl Tobin

(NATIONAL PRESIDENT)

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