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	None	FY 1979		FY Continuing	

Purpose: The project purpose is to promote observance of civil and political rights. Civil and political rights are identified in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Among the civil/political rights are those involving freedom from torture or cruel or inhuman or degrading treatment; freedom of expression, association, religion, and the press; the right to follow one's cultural traditions; and freedom of movement and residence.

Background and Progress to Date: The program was initiated in FY 79 and funded projects in 12 African countries, including those funds provided under the Sahel Development Program. The average grant was for \$10,000, but an exception was made for the Dakar Institute for Ruman Rights Education. That grant was treated as a regional grant, because the Institute, Africa's first for the promotion of human rights, serves the entire Francophone community of Africa. The grant provided the Secretariat which materials to enabel it to begin operating, and also funded the first seminars organized by the Institute.

Additional projects in FY 79 were providing Human Rights materials to a new law school for civil servants in Guinea-Bissau and a three-month law graduate course on cooperative human rights problems, at the University of Togo.

The Puman Rights Fund enables the U.S. Ambassadors to fund projects quickly to respond to host country initiatives for promoting civil and political rights. By beginning with relatively small grants, AID can fund "seed money" projects which will encourage host countries to develop and build upon already established activities.

Host Country and Other Donors: All African countries eligible for U.S. bilateral development assistance can participate. An important component is the self-help element, either financed

or in kind, in order to demonstrate local support, either government or private, for the activity. We hope as a result of these demonstration projects, it will encourage local financing.

FY 81 Program: In FY 81 \$300,000 is planned for human rights activities in approximately 30 African countries. Approved projects will establish dynamic, continuing activities for promoting civil and political rights.

Major Outputs: The overall output is the promotion of civil and political rights in the countries participating. The overall specific outputs are: increasing contact among those who are interested in human rights and development, increasing knewledge and information on human rights; developing interest in human rights, furthering advocacy, especially of minorities and disadvantaged groups; obtaining or maintaining human rights under development programs. Some specific examples of activities to be funded are seminars, conferences, and educational programs, local research or scholarship, training of those who want to encourage better human rights, assistance to local organizations which encourage better human rights observance, and ombudsman programs.

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Pretoria

August 4, 1980

Dear Mr. Mphahlele:

The Government of the United States of America is pleased to announce a grant of \$10,000 to the Black Education and Research Trust for the purpose of research and counseling for the improvement of education within the black community of South Africa. Our understanding is that the Black Education and Research Trust will engage in activities toward this goal, such as collecting information concerning education in South Africa and other countries of the world that may be relevant to this purpose; evaluating existing educational theories and practices in South Africa; disseminating this information; evaluating textbooks; initiating programs for informal education seminars to improve the professional skills of teachers and for adult education; establishing a research center with reference material for these purposes; and establishing a career guidance service for students.

In support of these activities, the grant will be used to help defray the cost of office rent, books, and office supplies and minor equipment such as type-writers, which are incurred and obligated by September 30, 1980, when the provisions of this grant shall end. Disbursements can begin upon signature of this letter below by the appropriate official. The American Consul General in Johannesburg or his designated representative will serve as disbursement officer, who will disburse funds upon receipt of vouchers.

Sincerely,

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William B. Edmondson
American Ambassador

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Research Trust

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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Pretoria

August 29, 1980

Dear Bishop Tutu:

The Government of the United States of America is pleased to announce a grant of \$11,250 to the Women's Division of the South African Council of Churches for the purpose of improving the legal status of black women in South Africa.

Our understanding is that the Women's Division will conduct a series of seminars at various locations within the country to increase the awareness of black women regarding their legal status and rights. In support of these activities, the grant will be used to defray the cost of holding ten such seminars. We understand that four of the seminars will be held in the Transvaal, and two each in the Orange Free State, Natal, and the Cape Province.

The American Consul General in Johannesburg or his designated representative will serve as disbursement officer for the grant. The Women's Division will send quarte ly reports to the disbursing officer beginning December 31, 1980. The report should include the following information:

- (a) the location of seminars held during the guarter;
- (b) the names of the seminar leaders;
- (c) the number of participants, and the general area or areas from which they came;

- a brief description of the substance of (d) the programs;
- a general accounting of expenses incurred.

The grant will be disbursed to the Women's Division in two installments of \$5,625 each. The first installment can be made upon signature of this letter below by the appropriate official. Following receipt of the first two quarterly reports, this Embassy will review implementation of the program up to March 31, 1981. Upon our determination that the terms of the grant have been complied with, the disbursing officer will transfer the remainder of the grant to the Women's Division on or about April 1, 1981.

Sincerely,

Hilliam B. Edmondson

William B. Edmondson

Ambassador

Bishop Desmond Tutu General Secretary

South African Council of Churches

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EMEASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Pretoria, South Africa

September 30, 1980

Bishop Desmond Tutu General Secretary South African Council of Churches Diakonia House Jorissen Street Johannesburg 2001

Dear Bishop Tutu:

The Government of the United States is pleased to announce a grant of \$28,000 to the Dependants' Conference of the South African Council of Churches for the purpose of financing primary and secondary education for children of persons who are banned, detained, or imprisoned for political crimes.

Our understanding is that the Dependants' Conference will use the grant to supplement its existing program for providing financial assistance to the families of such persons who cannot otherwise pay for their children's educational expenses. In support of these activities, the grant will be used to defray the children's educational expenses, including textbooks, school fees, and supplies.

The American Consul General in Johannesburg or his designated representative will serve as disbursing officer for the grant. The Dependants' Conference will send quarterly reports to the disbursing officer beginning December 31, 1980. The report should include the following information:

- (1) the number of students assisted during the period; and
- (2) a general accounting of expenses incurred.

The grant will be disbursed to the Dependants' Conference in two installments of \$14,000 each. first installment can be made short? after your counter-signature of this letter. Following receipt of the first two quarterly reports, we will review implementation of the program up to March 31, 1981. Upon my determination that the terms of the grant have been complied with, the disbursing officer will transfer the remainder of the grant to the Dependants' Conference on or about April 1, 1981.

Sincerely,

William B. Edmondson

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American Ambassador

Bishop Desmond Tutu

General Secretary

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South African Council of Churches

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EMEASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Pretoria, South Africa

September 30, 1980

Mrs. Pauline Lipson, Director Johannesburg Legal Aid Bureau 209 Arop House 71 Von Brandis Street Johannesburg 2001

Dear Mrs. Lipson:

The Government of the United States of America is pleased to announce a grant of \$12,000 to the Johannesburg Legal Aid Bureau for the purpose of improving the Bureau's ability to provide legal assistance to persons in the Johannesburg area who could not otherwise afford it.

Our understanding is that the Legal Aid Bureau will seek to improve and expand its services by hiring additional staff to perform administrative tasks and increase fundraising efforts, and by purchasing additional office equipment. In support of these activities, the grant will be used to pay the salary of a permanent office manager for the initial year, and to defray the cost of additional office furniture, equipment, and supplies as well as other office expenses. Disbursement can begin shortly after signature of this letter below by the appropriate official. The American Consul General or his designated representative will serve as disbursement officer, who will disburse funds upon receipt of vouchers.

Sincerely,

William B. Edmondson
William B. Edmondson

Ambassador

Signed:

Mrs. Pauline Lipson, Director Johannesburg Legal Aid Bureau CONTRACT NUMBER: HR-6

CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Cape Town

September 30, 1980

Dr. George Ellis Chairman Quaker Service Fund Cape Town

Dear Dr. Ellis:

The Government of the United States of America is pleased to announce a grant of US\$15,000 to the Quaker Service Fund for the purpose of establishing a combined school feeding and gardening program in five rural schools in the Ciskei. The grant will be used to help defray the cost of providing approximately 1,800 students one meal a day for a year at the schools, and expenses incurred for water tanks, seed, fencing, and other supplies for the school gardening program. Disbursements can begin upon signature of this letter below by the appropriate officials of the Quaker Service Fund. I or my designated representative will serve as a disbursement officer, and disburse funds upon receipt of vouchers.

Sincerely.

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Consul General

George Ellis

Chairman

Quaker Service Fund

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FY 80 Human Rights Fund

South Office

Benin: (a) Travel/study for a lawyer involved in the legal aspects of civil, economic and social rights of workers as well as family rights of women and children; \$7,500. (b) Series of four lecture discussions on the subject of human rights; \$1,000.

Congo: (a) Literary prizes and publishing costs for works dealing with human rights; \$10,000. (b) Three person delegation from the Congolese Woman's Organization to meet and discuss "twinning possibilities" with the National Council of Negro Women; \$20,000.

Ivory Coast: Seminar to train rural youth to help fellow villagers articulate, exercise and respond to civil and political issues; \$5,000.

Kenya: Travel of four African lawyers to the Inter-African Union of Lawyers' Conference on Human Rights; \$10,000.

Malawi: Travel of Malawian lawyer to the Commonwealth Law Conference; \$2,000.

Nigeria: Symposium on "Human Rights and the Media" for Nigerian journalists and legal experts; \$10,000.

Senegal: (a) Travel/Study for two jurists to establish contact with US organizations interested in human rights; \$10,000.
(b) Rural seminars to discuss human rights and establish local human rights organizations; \$5,000. (c) Production costs of a radio/TV play on the Womens' Rights; \$1,500. (d) Publication costs for pamphlets on various human rights issues; \$500.

Somalia: Travel of three parliamentarians to establish contact with government officials and private human rights organizations; \$15,000.

South Africa:) (a) Support to the South African Council of Churches to sponsor a series of 10 seminars on the legal status of black women; \$11,250. (b) Assistance to the Zingisa Education Project to supplement the inadequate education of black youths; \$5,300. (c) Assistance to the Johannesburg Legal Aid Bureau which provides free legal services to those who cannot afford it; \$12,000. (d) Assistance to the Black Education and Research Trust on behalf of the Soweto Teachers' Action Committee for research and counseling aimed at improving the quality of education in the black community of Soweto; \$10,000. (e) Legal defense of political prisoners through the International Defense and Aid Fund

for Southern Africa; \$25,000.

Tanzania: Additional funding for a Tanzanian official studying international relations with an emphasis on human rights; \$2,850.

Togo: Travel/study for 3 judges or judicial officials to focus on the independence of the US judiciary. The program will be followed by a joint US/Togolese conference on the courts; \$17,500.

Uganda: Material support, probably in the form of ballot boxes, for a free and fair election. The agreement was purposely written to allow for another project should the Ambassador decide against supporting the election. \$32,500.

Upper Volta: Travel/Study for 2 parliamentarians to attend the Legislative Program at the State University of New York and to meet with private human rights organizations; \$13,000.

Zaire: Support for a regional conference on human rights; \$3,200.

Zambia: (a) Publication of a dissertation on the subject of human rights in Zambia; \$16,800. (b) Research materials for the Zambian Supreme Court; \$20,000. (c) Research fees for a project on the history of human rights in Zambia before the advent of constitutional law; \$12,000.

Zimbabwe: (d) Translation, publication and distribution of pamphlet on the legal rights of women in Zimbabwe; \$5,000. (b) Training of black magistrates, court judges and legal draftsmen; \$132,000.