

ANC member says PSU not doing enough

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The University's policies toward South Africa, including education programs and investments in companies that follow equal employment practices, do not help the people of that nation, a black South African said Saturday morning at an anti-apartheid march.

Gottfried Sitoli, a member of the African National Congress — an organization in Southern Africa that opposes apartheid — told the group that the University is not doing enough by supporting the Sullivan Principles and by providing education. Only divestment will bring about the needed change, he said.

"In me today you see just one victim of the South African system," Sitoli said. "I was forced to leave South Africa because of the apartheid system, but I can assure you it won't be much longer."

About 40 people attended the march, co-sponsored by the Black

Student Coalition Against Racism and the Committee for Justice in South Africa, which began on the steps of Old Main.

Although BSCAR Chairman Carlton Waterhouse was disappointed at the size of the crowd, he said "We must remember what Sitoli said after speaking to a group of about three: 'We're not here as much to impress the press, we're here for a cause and that cause is for the people in South Africa.'"

The group then marched to Beaver Stadium before the football game kickoff with a police escort to help them through the Homecoming crowd.

Several observers threw marshmallows and pretzels at the marchers while others verbally assaulted them yelling "This is a football weekend, not a politics weekend" and "You just don't understand the situation (in South Africa)."

Apartheid is an international issue, Sitoli said, because without the mone-

ment and we want to run it ourselves. This is what we are fighting for."

Sitoli also urged people to form their own opinions of apartheid.

"Whatever we say, don't just take it at face value," Sitoli said. "Just because it comes from the ANC doesn't mean it's good. Scrutinize it — do some research on it on your own."

Members of a newly formed group — Black Alumni Advocating Divestment — also addressed the group, explaining the measures the group has taken to affect University divestment of money in South Africa.

The group will use lobbyists and speakers to elicit support from the black community and the state and federal governments, said Renee Lucas, BAAD spokeswoman.

"The University thinks it's part of big business," Lucas said. "We are going to try to cut off (federal and state) money so that they can't be so arrogant to think they can do whatever they want."

try support of advanced Western nations such as the United States, Great Britain, West Germany and France, the system cannot survive.

Sitoli said the University is not helping South Africa by offering scholarships to that nation's blacks. Divestment would help bring about the end of apartheid government and allow blacks the right to a good education in their own country, he added.

Sitoli also said the Sullivan Principles are not criteria for continued South African investment.

Some people support the Sullivan Principles because of the violence in South Africa. They see the principles as an alternative way to promote integration, Sitoli said. However, the American Revolution was violent also, he said.

"You didn't get your freedoms through the Sullivan Principles," Sitoli said. "The fact that they were accepted by the apartheid regime in South Africa show that they are not effective. We want our own govern-

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Republicans hold the majority in the Senate by six seats, but the Democrats dominate the House.

Bush said the evidence of 5½ years of Republican progress is low interest rates and unemployment. He added that more Americans are at work today than in the history of the country.

"There is a new respect for the United States and frankly this 'America is back' is not a slogan but it's a reality in this world," the vice president said. "We are proud of ourselves again and I'm proud to serve with a president that doesn't go around the world apologizing for the United States of America."

The vice president said he is grateful to Clinger for having the understanding that a strong America is the safest America.

"The reason that Mr. Gorbachev sat down with Mr. Reagan in Iceland last week was because the United States of America is strong and because the Russians know they are not going to get us to unilaterally hand them whatever they want."

Although many political analysts have criticized the outcome of the Iceland mini-summit, Bush said, "The Iceland meeting was a success and the world is a lot closer not to control of arms, but to significant reduction in nuclear weapons."

"We have a president who is tough enough to say 'no' to a bad agreement," Bush said. "I am proud that our president did not hand on a silver platter the defense of all America and our allies to Mr. Gorbachev."

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at home, it should be to create in this country the best education system in the world," Hart said. He said the best foreign policy would be to bring young future leaders of foreign countries to American universities for an education on how to best lead their countries out of Communism and poverty.

More college-age students are registered as Republicans to vote this year because they "haven't seen the kind of new leaders in the Democratic party that they can identify with," Hart said.

Democratic candidates are "offering a new message and a new hope that the Republican party can't offer."

"(Students) will find out that policies of this administration and the Republican party are not good for them," Hart said.

"Instead of the Strategic Defense Initiative, I think we need a strategic investment initiative," the Colorado senator said. "The key to hope and promise for tomorrow is investment in this country."

Reagan's decision at the Iceland summit last week, to defend his "Star Wars" program at the price of risking the chance for major reduction in Soviet arms, will be seen as "one of the most serious errors in judgment any president has ever made," Hart said.

"But, we can't win as Democrats just by criticizing the president including 'Star Wars,'" Hart said.

Hart said if the government invested in the steel industry and backed loans to modernize the fallen industry, American steel could be a world leader.

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alliance with political leaders in Harrisburg to block state appropriations to the University and to challenge continued federal funding on the basis of "overt racism."

The high school visitations are aimed at hindering the University's federal court mandate to increase minority enrollment to 5 percent by 1987, BAAD coordinator Anita Thomas (class of '79) said.

Lucas said BAAD members will tell high school students the University is only interested in "getting bodies" to increase its minority population and does not put forth an effort to improve

minority retention rates.

"This University would love for us to go out and actively seek students . . . the coalition will in fact discourage people from coming here . . . we will poison people's minds about Penn State," she said.

Director of Minority Admissions, Victoria V. Staples, said she could not comment on the effect BAAD's efforts may have on minority recruitment until she has more information about the group.

Jordan said: "It would be most unfortunate if they did (obstruct minority recruitment). It would work very directly against what we are

trying to do for the young black students."

He added that black students who come to the University benefit from a Penn State education and financial aid programs that give full financial support beyond federal aid.

Thomas said while the group's efforts to block state appropriations might not be successful, the "only thing we can do is try. At the very least, we will be a thorn in (the administration's) side."

BAAD was contacted by the Black Student Coalition Against Racism Chairman Carlton Waterhouse to inform the group that BSCAR's efforts

to influence the University to divest had failed, Waterhouse said.

Lucas said the University's response to apartheid, the SHARE program, which brings black students from South Africa to the University and attempts to better educate the University community about South Africa, is "all basically publicity." The administration uses "token people" to make the University look better, she said.

"They're not bringing over students (from South Africa) who are boycotting but students who already fit into the system of apartheid," she said.

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