



# **Guide to the South Africa Policy Implementation Committee records, 1984-1987**

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## Summary

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**Collection Title:**

South Africa Policy Implementation Committee records, 1984-1987

**Creator:**

Duke University. Office of the President. South Africa Policy Implementation Committee

**Abstract:**

The South Africa Policy Implementation Committee was authorized by resolution of the Board of Trustees in 1986 to implement the policies recommended by the Committee on Social Implications of Duke Stock, formed in 1985. Collection contains records relating to the operations and activities of the South Africa Policy Implementation Committee and includes correspondence, memoranda, reports, minutes, printed material, and clippings concerning apartheid and Duke University's decision to divest.

**Extent:**

1.4 Linear Feet  
Approx. 1,200 Items

**Physical Location:**

For current information on the location of these materials, please consult the Library's online catalog.

**Language:**

Material in English

**Collection ID:**

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## **Background**

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### **Scope and Content**

Contains material pertaining to the activities of the South Africa Policy Implementation Committee. The collection contains rosters, minutes, and reports of the Committee as well as correspondence and memoranda concerning Duke's policy toward and financial relationships with corporations with operations in South Africa during apartheid. Correspondence between University President H. Keith H. Brodie and representatives of corporations such as International Business Machines, McGraw-Hill, Inc., Texaco, Inc., American Express Company, R.J. Reynolds/Nabisco, Inc., and Cocoa-Cola Company documents corporate reaction to Duke's decision to divest. Memoranda, minutes, reports, and rosters of the Committee on Social Implications of Duke Stock are also present.

Throughout the collection are clippings and other printed material addressing social, political, and economic conditions in South Africa, policies adopted by other universities and colleges toward South Africa, and reports and studies relating to the feasibility, appropriateness, and potential consequences of divestment.

### **Biographical/Historical**

Formed in 1986, the South Africa Policy Implementation Committee pursued the policies formulated by the Committee on Social Implications of Duke Stock and agreed to by the Board of Trustees. In 1985, University President Terry Sanford created the Committee on Social Implications of Duke Stock. The Committee was chaired by Law School professor Walter Dellinger, III, and composed of four students, graduate and undergraduate, six faculty members, two administrators, and two Trustees.

On May 3, 1986 the Board of Trustees, at the recommendation of the Committee on Social Implications of Duke Stock, voted to sell all holdings of companies doing business in South Africa if that nation's system of apartheid was not ended by January 1, 1987.

The Board's vote in support of divestment followed more than a year of campus activism focusing on apartheid and University investments in South Africa.

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### Access Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

### Use Restrictions

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### Acquisition Information

The South Africa Policy Implementation Committee records were received by the University Archives as a transfer prior to 2007.

### Processing Information

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## Related Materials

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### Related Material

Eisinger, Jana, The Divestment Campaign at Duke University: Stepchild of the Civil Rights Movement Duke University Archives/David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library H. Keith H. Brodie, President, records,

1963-1994 Duke University Archives/David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library  
Records and Papers of Terry Sanford, 1945-1998 Duke University Archives/David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library  
Terry Sanford Papers, 1926-1996 Duke University Archives/David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library  
Student Activism Reference Collection, 1934-[ongoing] Duke University Archives/David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library  
Ron Grunwald Papers, 1973-1980 Duke University Archives/David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library

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## Names and Subjects

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- Anti-apartheid movements -- United States -- History -- 20th century
- Apartheid -- South Africa
- Anti-apartheid movements -- North Carolina -- Durham
- Corporate divestiture -- South Africa
- Apartheid -- Economic aspects -- South Africa
- Sanford, Terry
- Duke University. Office of the President
- Brodie, H. Keith H. (Harlow Keith Hammond), 1939-

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## Collection Inventory

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Administrative, 1985-1987	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 4 folders	
Barr, Graham (staff): notes and miscellaneous. 1985-1986, undated	Box 1
Clippings and articles, 1984-1986	Box 1
PIC mailings and handouts, 1986-1987	Box 1
Corporate response to May 3, 1986 resolution on divestment (A-Q), 1986-1987	Box 1
<b>Physical Description:</b> 3 folders	
Corporate response to May 3, 1986 resolution on divestment (R-Z), 1986-1987	Box 2

Letters and lists of recipients of same, 1986	Box 2
Corporate responses to Marty [Martin T. November] (Pres. Associated Students of Duke University), 1985	Box 2
Other Universities, Policies of, 1985-1986	Box 2
<b>Physical Description:</b> 2 folders	
Responses from other colleges, 1986	Box 2