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Tel: (071) 7914-3546 (Eveningsandweeke
Dear Friend,
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(A Sponsored Walk to raise money for
The Eatlagae Trust, founded to
provide edu5ation and other c
are for black South African children).
You may probably know that we have held 15 annual Soxeto walks since
1977 to aid Somafo, the ANC refugee school in Tanzania, raising nearly \$30,000
over that period. therks to many loyal helwere.
Somafo has now closed down and the exiled children's return to South
Africa has been financed by the United Nations refugee organisation. In 1991
The Eatlebae Trust was established to raise funds to help these children, and also
those in the townships, whom it has been difficult to reach previously, with their
future needs. (See accompanying briefing on the Trust.)
Will you join us on this walk? You may begin at any time between 10 am
and 2.30. The route is varied and safe, and you may do as many "laps" round the
Heath as you wish, each circuit being three-and-a-third miles long.'There is an
alternative route along Spaniard's Way to Kenwood and back for variety, easier
walking or wheelchairs. Cold drinks are served free at the half-way post and at
the finish, and some other refreshments will be available. You may also, if you
wish, stop to picnic or to visit the.Kenwood outdoor cafe or onecrfthe two pubs
along the route.
Maps are provided, but same of our experienced walkers are always ready
to guide children or groups. Joggers are given extra credit, and you may bring
your K:g (sponsored if possible) along if you wish.
A form is enclosed giving details and containing space for sponsore' names.
If people wish to give a straight donation instead of so much per mile, this is
also very acceptable. Unweged people and schoolchildren may deduct travel expenses
from the money collected if necessary.
The nearest tube is Hampstead (Northern Line, Edgware Branch). Buses are
20 from Finsbury Park or Golders Green, 268 from Swiss Cottage or Golders Green,
and 46 from Kings Cross to Hampstead tube station.
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lease pass the form on to a friend, if you cannot come yourself. We
also need non-walkers to sponsor Sam, a lovely dog which has already been on
several walks and raised a useful sum. ' -
Please come if you can. It is a friendly, pleasant, undemanding occasion
and you would be made very welcome.
Thank you and best regards,
Det Glynn
(Organiser)
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BRIEFING: THE BATLAGAE TRUST

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Introductigg; The Batlagae Trust is a trust established in 1991 in South Africa, to assist with the educational integration of retrprning exiles. ("Batlagae" means "returnees" - literally "those that are coming home" - in SeTswana). The Trust will address educational problems of returnees on all levels, from pre-school infants to university students and those seeking adult education.

ygtixgtiggz Education often takes centre stage in the problems confronting returning exiles. After decades of apartheid, the South African education system remains a shambles. Schools are inadequate and often in ruins. There is a backlog of at least 50,000 classrooms. Facilities are de facto, if not longer de jure, segregated.

Curricula still reflect their roots in apartheid education.

The children from exile have no choice but to enter into this national disaster. These children must already COpe with the trauma of finding themselves uprooted from familiar homes and surroundings, to "return" to a country they may never have known. Some return to their'homes. The parents of others are either displaced or dead. Previous schooling, wherever it may have tagen place, hardly prepares them for the conditions they are likely to find in the township schools (far less in the rural areas).

Background: The Batlagae Trust was created by the 'Oversight Committee' of the h5ti6EEi_Eb-Ordinating Committee for the Return of Exiles. As with the NCCR, the Oversight Committee comprises representatives of the churches and the liberation movements. It was charged with the task of cc-ordinating the return of exiled children and students. However, the Oversight Committee has no power to raise funds, nor is it likely to survive beyond the time when the NCCR completes its main task. The Batlagae Trust was formed to fill this gap.

The Trust is non-partisan, and will support all children and youth irrespective of which liberation movement holds their affiliation.

h To arrange reception and school facilities for repatriated children and students who cannot be dispersed to parents or next of kin;

h to arrange a bursary/scholarship programme for children and students who are able to say with their families;

h Long-term projects include the establishment of an education centre to concentrate on the needs of youths and adults; in particular, to develop appropriate technical education for returning exiles for the educationally "lost generation" in our country.

The Trust was registered on 19th July 1991; registration no.1279/91, issued by the Department of Justice, Section 6(1), Trust Property Control Act, 1988 (Republic of South Africa).

Trustees: Eighael'Corke, Chairman (Anglican Church representative,lieadmaster of St.Barnabas College, and Chairman ofthe Independent Examinations Board)

John_sgmuel (ANC representative; Head of ANC Dept.of Education)

William Seriti (PAC hepresentative, practising attorney).

Barbara Watson (Social Worker at Sacred Heart College)

Neil McGurk (Catholic Church representative;lieadmaster of Sacred Heart

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This walker is taking part in a sponsor8d walk co-ordinated by Camden Anti-Apartheid Group. All funds raised by the walk will be used to support The Batlagae Trust in South Africa in its care for children returned from exile, and for those in the townships and squatter camps.

Name of Walker Organiser

Address Address

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Tel: Tel:

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Route of walk. 3% miles circuit of Hampstead Heath, commencing at Whitestone Pond, Heath St., NW3. As many "laps" as you wish.

Dagg_and time. Sunday, 5th July 1992. 10 am - 4.30 p.m. Stml;any

R_' time up to 2.30 p.m.

SPONSORSHIP FORM

Sponsor Address Amount 'Money

' per mile receix