

Mr. Chairman

The President of the African National Congress, Mr. Oliver Tambo
Distinguished Delegates and Participants,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is a great honour and privilege to have been invited to participate in the deliberations of this very important Conference devoted to strengthening international solidarity with the Liberation struggle in South Africa and the observance of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of African National Congress.

From the outset, I would like to take this opportunity to reiterate and re-affirm Kenya's total support for and firm solidarity with the African National Congress and the entire Liberation Movement in South Africa and Namibia.

The policy of apartheid has received universal condemnation - but the racist minority Pretoria regime continues to entrench Apartheid - a system which has a minority of the population enjoying economic and political rights at the expense of the majority.- the mass of humanity discriminated against in their own homeland, subjected to untold brutalities and robbed of their rights, purely on racial basis!

The apartheid system is a disgrace to the human race. It is, too, a disgrace to civilization. The peace loving people of the world must bring apartheid to an end!

The very moral and ethical imperative that made the international community to reject "Hitler's Nazism" must make them to reject the policy of apartheid in its entirety.

The defiant and uncompromising attitude displayed by the Pretoria regime is simply because of the moral, political and material support extended to South Africa by a few powerful nations. That support, in whatever form, subordinate human life for material gain! This is wholly wrong!

The realities suggest that a multiracial society with all citizens having a fair chance of contributing to and benefiting from the fruits of the economy would eventually be the only feasible option.

From our own history, we in Kenya have no slightest doubt - that the Liberation struggle against apartheid shall be won in South Africa and Namibia.

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