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Date of sentence: 1968  
Place of trial:  
Names of accused: Mr. Thabo Matsoening

Laws under which charged:

Particulars of charges: Becoming or continuing to be a member of the banned African National Congress in 1966-1967, taking part in its activities, holding an ANC meeting in his home in Port Elizabeth, and contributing or soliciting subscriptions to the organization.

Sentences: Eight years' imprisonment, of which four years were suspended.

Remarks:

Source: A Survey of Race Relations in South Africa 1968, p.59

Date of sentence: 1968

Place of trial:

Names of accused: Dr. Ahmed Hoosen Sader

Laws under which charged: Suppression of Communism Act

Particulars of charges: Contravening a banning order by attending a meeting of medical practitioners.

Sentences: Six months' imprisonment suspended for three years, reduced on appeal to seven days suspended for three years.

Remarks:

Source: A Survey of Race Relations in South Africa 1968, p.45

Date of sentence: 1968  
Place of trial:  
Names of accused: Mr. Alexander E. Mlonzi

Laws under which charged:

Particulars of charges: Leaving the country without a passport and contravening two provisions of his banning order.

Sentences: Thirty months' imprisonment, of which twenty-two months were suspended.

Remarks: Mr. Mlonzi, a Johannesburg advocate, fled to Botswana after having been banned, but could find no employment there and eventually returned.

He was arrested on 16 December 1967 and detained in solitary confinement for 102 days for questioning under the Terrorism Act.

Source: A Survey of Race Relations in South Africa 1968, p.45

Date of sentence: 1968

Place of trial:

Names of accused: Mr. Winard Madi

Laws under which charged: Suppression of Communism Act

Particulars of charges: Contravening a banning order by attending a social gathering.

Sentences: Eighteen months' imprisonment of which twelve months were suspended.

Remarks:

Source: A Survey of Race Relations in South Africa 1968, p.45

Date of sentence: 1968

Place of trial:

Name of accused: Miss Jean Middleton

Laws under which charged: Suppression of Communism Act

Particulars of charges: Contravening the terms of a banning order.

Sentences: Twelve months' imprisonment, all but four days suspended.

Remarks:

Source: A Survey of Race Relations in South Africa 1968, p.45

Date of sentence: 1968  
Place of trial: Pietermaritzburg  
Names of accused: Mr. Gideon Mdhletshe

Laws under which charged: Terrorism Act

Particulars of charges: Conspiring to aid or encourage others to undergo training in the arts of warfare and of taking part in African National Congress activities.

Sentences: Five years' imprisonment.

Remarks:

Source: A Survey of Race Relations in South Africa 1968, p.59

Date of sentence: 22 February 1968  
Place of trial: Cape Town Criminal Sessions  
Names of accused: Mr. Advocate Mteleli Ntuli  
Mr. Leonard Zambodla

Laws under which charged:

Particulars of charges: Participation in the murder of Mr. Klass  
Hoza, a Paarl municipal policeman, on 27 January 1962.

Sentences: Death

Remarks: Mr. Masuti was sentenced to death on 19 April 1967  
on the same charge.

Source: The Africanist, Maseru, March-April 1968.

**Date of sentence:** 1 April 1968  
**Place of trial:** Johannesburg  
**Names of accused:** Miss Apolollioneia Brusse  
**Laws under which charged:** Contravening Municipal Bye-Laws and injury to property.

**Particulars of charges:** She was accused of writing slogans at Johannesburg station and other public buildings accusing Government of oppressing the African people.

**Sentences:** Eighteen months' imprisonment, of which twelve months were suspended for three years on condition that during that time she was not convicted of an offence under the Suppression of Communism Act.

**Remarks:**



Date of judgement: 2 April 1968  
Place of trial: Pretoria Supreme Court  
Names of appellants: Mr. Dawood Ismail Cajee  
Laws under which charged: Suppression of Communism Act

Particulars of appeal: Appeal by accused against sentence in lower court on charge of contravening banning order.

Judgement: Conviction and sentence set aside.

Remarks: Mr. Cajee had been sentenced in Schweiger-Renecke regional court to one year's imprisonment for attending a gathering in contravention of the provisions of the five-year banning order issued in 1964. Mr. Cajee had met an advocate for consultation when two clients were present.

The defence submitted that the State had failed to prove a common purpose between those found in the room and could not further prove that it was a gathering in terms of the Suppression of Communism Act.

Mr. Cajee, 70, the oldest inhabitant of the town had been called by the advocate for consultation on the history of Indian occupation of the town in connection with a case he was defending under the Group Areas Act.

Date of sentence: 30 July 1968

Place of trial: Supreme Court, Cape Town

Names of accused: Mrs. Winnie Mandela

Laws under which charged: Suppression of Communism Act

Particulars of charges: Appeal by Mrs. Mandela against conviction by lower court on charges of not fulfilling conditions imposed on her visit to Cape Town in July 1966.

Sentences: Appeal dismissed. Sentence of 12 months' imprisonment, all but four days of which was suspended, was upheld.

Remarks: Mrs. Mandela had been granted permission to visit Cape Town to see her husband, Mr. Nelson Mandela, in prison on certain conditions. She was found guilty of failing to report to the Security Police on arrival in Cape Town, failing to advise the Security Police of her address and failing to return to Johannesburg by train.

When she reported on 11 August 1968 to the Orlando police station, several women, dressed in the black and green colours of the African National Congress greeted her with the slogan "Amandla Ngawethu" (Power is Ours). She answered with the clenched fist and thumbs up sign.

Date of sentence: 4 October 1968

Place of trial: Oudtshoorn

Names of accused: Mr. Petrus Hila

Laws under which charged:

Particulars of charges: Membership in a banned organization, Pogo,  
at Victoria West.

Sentences: Two years' imprisonment.

Remarks:

Date of sentence: November 1968

Place of trial:

Names of accused: Ten men

Laws under which charged:

Particulars of charges: Conspiring to commit sabotage

Sentences: Three years each for having belonged to the banned Pogo and furthering its aims.

Remarks: These accused were among the 26 Africans and Coloureds arrested in Victoria West at the end of April 1968. The trials of the others were proceeding.

Source: A Survey of Race Relations in South Africa 1968, p. 59