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A FESTIVAL

Dear Star Youth Movement

This is both a thank you letter to all those who helped to make the Liberation Festival the success it was, and an invitation to think about how the Festival might have been better.

Firstly, a big thank you.

We are sending this letter to show that your part in the success of the Festival is recognised and appreciated, whether it was in participating in or helping organise the day itself, contributing to the programme, or in practical tasks such as shifting tables and other behind the scenes help.

All the Festival events were well attended, and every group taking parthas gained some publicity. The international speakers have left behind a strengthened commitment to future work, and most feedback has been positive. It has to be admitted, though, that there are many areas which, with the benefit of hindsight, could have been substantially improved on.

We feel that the general sympathy with the cause of peace, and with liberation movements, allowed the Festival to be broad enough, and firm enough, to encompass so many different groups: each raised issues they felt appropriate without their differences becoming an issue. 'Liberation', too, is a word that well expresses many struggles for change.

Is this true for you? And would it work again? Are the questions we now have to ask. We are inviting you here to make comments on the event and to consider the future:

(a) Any comments on the site and timing of the Festival, the content, the workshops, the balance of speakers, of entertainment, of groups involved; on general coordination/organising of the event; and on what might have been done to attract more people.

Do you feel it should be a regular event, and if so would you be prepared to be involved in organising future Festivals?

(b) The Video of the Festival

There will be a chance to relax and to discuss how future events might be organised, at the NALGO club on Thursday 20th June. We'll show the video of the Festival, made by the staff of Acorn Video for expenses only, and any photos we can get hold of. Come any time from 7.30 pm; there is a bar, but please bring some food. The video and formal part of the evening will be at 8.30 pm. If you have any comments but cannot make it on the 20th, please write or phone.

Yours

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	Income	Expenditu
	£	£
Donations	950.00	
Saturday concert	115.00	
Friday benefit	130.00	122.00
Nicaraguans expenses (weekend)		200.00
Speakers/performers expenses		270.00
Publicity		260.00
General admin/expenses		100.00
Films		60.00
SWC speakers		75.00
Programme	240.00	260.00
Nicaraguan folk group's		
instrument fund		50.00
	1435.00	1397.00

PHOTOS???

DID YOU TAKE ANY PHOTOS AT ANY OF THE FESTIVAL EVENTS?

If so we'd like to hear from you - we haven't got a single one!

RELAX AND REVIEW

THURSDAY 20TH JUNE 7.30 pm
NALGO Club
2 Claremont Terrace, off Morley Street
(See last paragraph of letter!)

Balance

38,00

In addition, the Thursday benefit raised £80.00 for SWAPO Women's Council, and the collection on Saturday raised £98 towards the Nicaraguans' air fares. The work and resources that individuals and groups put in voluntarily are of course not accounted for here.