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SOUTH AFRICAN EXHIBIT COMES TO CARTER PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY

SEE A FULL-SCALE REPLICA OF NELSON MANDELA'S JAIL CELL

Atlanta, GA.- The struggle for freedom and democracy in South Africa and the American South is depicted in the exhibition "From Apartheid to Democracy," opening at the Carter Presidential Library on Saturday, June 24. This limited time exhibition features a full-scale replica of Nelson Mandela's jail cell and Sam Nhlengethwa's famous painting "Proud Nation".

Created by the Apartheid Museum in Johannesburg, South Africa and adapted by the Levine Museum of the New South, the exhibit examines South Africa's transformation from apartheid to democracy by telling the story of the first ten years of democracy in South Africa, highlights and similarities between the South African experience and the civil rights movement in the United States also are explored.

The exhibition opens with the dramatic transformation of South Africa from its history of ugly racial violence into the "Rainbow Nation". In addition there are sections of the exhibition which examine the similarities between Apartheid in South Africa and "Jim Crow" laws in the American South. Other sections deal with the non-violent campaigns in both countries, the role of unions in the United States as well as the Black Power movement.

The exhibition, along with a special evening conversation with two of Bishop Desmond Tutu's daughters on July 19, is in partnership with the National Black Arts Festival, being held in Atlanta from July 14-July 23.

The Carter Presidential Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:45 p.m. and from noon to 4:45 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors (60+), military and students with id. Sixteen year olds and younger are free. Parking is free at the Carter Presidential Center.

For additional information, call the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum at 404-865-7101 or visit www.jimmycarterlibrary.gov.

"*From Apartheid to Democracy: The Freedom Struggle in South Africa and the American South*" was adapted by the Levine Museum of the New South, Charlotte, North Carolina, from an exhibition created by the Apartheid Museum, Johannesburg, South Africa with support of the John S. and James L Knight Foundation, the South Africa Department of Arts and Culture, and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Arts and Science Council.

Editors Note: Images from the exhibit are available upon request