

# AFRICA'S UNKNOWN WAR

## APARTHEID TERROR, CUBA & SOUTHERN AFRICAN LIBERATION

*Commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Battle of Cuito Cuanavale*

September 27th & 28th, 2013 University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada



*“The Cuban people hold a special place in the hearts of the people of Africa. The Cuban internationalists have made a contribution to African independence, freedom and justice unparalleled for its principled and selfless character.”*

- Nelson Mandela

### ***This is a free event***

**Location:** William Doo Auditorium, 45 Willcocks Street, Toronto

This two-day event commemorates the 25th anniversary of the battle of Cuito Cuanavale, a decisive moment in the struggle against apartheid. Featuring visiting scholars and activists from Cuba and elsewhere who participated in Cuba's anti-apartheid action.

### **Program:**

#### **Friday, September 27 7-10pm**

Film screening of *Brothers and Sisters Keeper: Cuba and Southern African Liberation*, followed by panel discussion and reception;

#### **Saturday, September 28 8:30am-5pm**

Panels and keynote presentations on the following topics:

- \* Apartheid's War of Terror
- \* Cuban and Southern African Liberation
- \* The Battle of Cuito Cuanavale
- \* Looking Backwards, Thinking Forwards

### **Featured speakers include:**

- \* **Maria Elena Alvarez** (distinguished professor of African History, Institute of International Relations, University of Havana);
- \* **Piero Gleijeses** (Professor of U.S. Foreign Policy and Johns Hopkins University, and 2005 Guggenheim Fellow);
- \* **Prexy Nesbitt** (former representative of the MPLA (People's Movement for the Liberation of Angola) in the United States);
- \* **Jorge Risquet** (Cuba's chief diplomat in Africa in the 1970s-80s);
- \* **John Saul** (internationally acclaimed scholar and anti-apartheid activist);
- \* **Isaac Saney** (Cuba specialist at Dalhousie University).

### **Sponsors:**

- \* Canadian Network On Cuba \* Caribbean Studies Program, U of T \* New College, U of T \* African Studies, U of T \* Canadian Union of Postal Workers \* United Steelworkers \* James Robinson Johnston Chair of Black Canadian Studies, Dalhousie U \* A Different Booklist
- \* Taylor Report/CIUT-FM \* Group for Research and Initiative in the Liberation of Africa
- \* Canadian-Cuban Friendship Association Toronto

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