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I propose to speak under the following heads:

Introduction: Africa's Priority RatingBackground

- (1) Before 1972
- (2) The Labor Era 1972-5

The Liberal-NCP Era 1975-

- (1) The Official Rhetoric
- (2) Trade
 - (a) With South Africa
 - (b) With Black Africa
- (3) Investment
- (4) Aid
- (5) Politics: The Zimbabwe Issue and the Lusaka Operation
- (6) The Growth of Domestic Political Interest
 - (a) The Liberal-NCP
 - (b) The ALP
 - (c) Parliamentary Sub-Committee on Southern Africa
 - (d) Parliamentary Observer Group at Zimbabwe Elections April 1979
 - (e) Parliamentary Delegation to Black Africa June-July 1979
 - (f) NGOs and Pressure Groups

Possible Future Initiatives

- (1) Involvement in Zimbabwe Settlement?
- (2) New Patterns of Aid?
- (3) Closer Communications with Black Africa?
- (4) Modifications in Relationship with South Africa?

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Two forthcoming parliamentary documents will also be of interest:

The report of the Southern Africa sub-committee of the Parliamentary Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence. (Transcripts of evidence given to the sub-committee and submissions by the departments of Foreign Affairs and Trade are at present in limited circulation.)

The report of the parliamentary delegation which toured Black Africa in June - July 1979.