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**RESOLUTION ON
SELF-DETERMINATION**

We express our belief in the principle of self-determination (self government) for the peoples of the world and urge our government to stand by this principle in its international relations.

Adopted by the American Baptist Convention - 1955
Affirmed by the Executive Committee of the General Board - September 1984
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POLICY BASE

American Baptist Policy Statement on Human Rights

As American Baptists we declare the following rights to be basic human rights and we will support programs and measures to assure these rights;

11. The right of citizenship in a nation, to participate in the political process, to form political parties, to have a voice in decision made in the political arenas...

American Baptist Policy Statement on Africa

1. American Baptists will encourage our government to oppose domination or subversion of African nations by any foreign power that seeks to interfere with the free exercise of majority rule and self-government.

5. We will urge our government to give strong support through its foreign policy for human rights and majority rule in Southern Africa...

SUPPORTING POSITION

American Baptist Resolution on the Role of the United States in World Affairs
