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OTTAWA (CP) - CANADA AND OTHER WEALTHY COUNTRIES ARE SHOWING A  
"WEAKENING RESOLVE" TO IMPOSE TRADE SANCTIONS AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA;  
HOWARD McCURDY, A NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY MP SAID WEDNESDAY.

McCURDY MADE THE COMMENTS FOLLOWING THE FINAL STATEMENT BY THE  
COMMONWEALTH FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE IN CANBERRA, AUSTRALIA.

"SOUTH AFRICA MAY LAY SOME CLAIM TO VICTORY IN THAT THEY SEEM TO HAVE  
ESTABLISHED JUST THE RIGHT LEVEL OF OPPRESSION OF THE BLACK MAJORITY  
NECESSARY TO PARALYSE THE RESOLVE OF THE WEALTHIEST NATIONS OF THE  
COMMONWEALTH TO EXTEND SANCTIONS," McCURDY SAID IN A BRIEF STATEMENT.

THE WINDSOR, ONT., MP SAID THE INCREASED LEVEL OF ACTIVITY BY  
ANTI-APARTHEID ACTIVISTS IN SOUTH AFRICA MAY REFLECT "THEIR DECREASED  
HOPE IN EFFECTIVE ACTION FROM THE OUTSIDE."

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