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Dorothy Nyembe was born in 1930, joined the ANC in her early twenties and became a women's organiser in the ANC. During the Defiance Campaign she served two prison sentences; in 1956 she led the contingent of Natal women who protested against the Pass Laws in Pretoria on August 9. In 1959, she was endorsed out of Durban. During the 1960 State of Emergency she was detained for 5 months. In 1962 she represented the Women's Federation at a conference on Labour problems called by SAC-TU. In 1963 she was arrested and charged with furthering the aims of the ANC and sentenced to 3 years imprisonement. First banned for 5 years in 1963, she was re-banned in 1968. In 1968 Dorothy was again detained and in February 1969 charged in Pietermaritzburg under the Terrorism Act and the Suppression of Communism Act, accused of harbouring freedom fighters and assisting two co-defendants. In March 1969 she was sentenced to 15 years imprisonement and is due for release in 1984.

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