

Bid to stop move

GRAHAMSTOWN — The Black Sash will seek a Supreme Court interdict this weekend to prevent the Plural Relations Administration Board from moving 350 people from Kenton-on-Sea location 100km inland to Glenmore near Committees Drift after giving them less than 14 days' notice.

This was confirmed last night by Mrs Betty Davenport, chairman of the Albany branch of the Black Sash. She said Mrs Helen Suzman, MP, was trying to meet the Minister of Plural Relations, Dr Piet Koornhof, yesterday to stop the execution of the removal conveyed to residents in handwritten notices served on 35 households.

Mrs Davenport said the Black Sash believed the removals were the first which would affect up to 10 000 people in the Eastern Cape.

This was the number of people planned to be settled at Glenmore just outside the Ciskei border in an inhospitable area where there was no industry or plans for industry.

She said 1 200 people at Klipfontein near Bushmans River were expected to be moved next followed by black families from Bathurst and Port Alfred.

Mrs Davenport said the law specifically laid down that persons who were to be moved from Kenton-on-Sea location should be given one month's notice in writing.

She said some people claimed they had lived in that community for 20 or 30 years and were given less than 14 day's notice to suddenly be moved. — DDC.