

**Resolution to Rutgers AAUP Executive Council**  
**Passed on Dec. 9, 2004**

**WHEREAS** Coca Cola has bottling plants world-wide in many underdeveloped countries, and

**WHEREAS** many of these plants are in countries ruled by autocratic regimes or governments that owe their existence to U.S. governmental support, and

**WHEREAS** in Colombia, where Coke has bottling plants, the U.S. government provides billions of dollars annually as well as military assistance to defeat insurgent forces, and

**WHEREAS** Coca Cola has collaborated with Colombian political forces to target union activists, and

**WHEREAS** union activists at the Coca Cola plants have been assassinated by paramilitary groups, and

**WHEREAS** union activists in Colombia and throughout the world are calling on their union brothers and sisters to boycott Coca Cola, and

**WHEREAS** Rutgers University has an exclusive contract with Coca Cola,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Rutgers AAUP, in solidarity with unions and colleges around the world who are taking similar actions, urge President McCormick not to renew the contract with Coca Cola when it expires in the spring of 2005 and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Rutgers AAUP not serve Coca Cola products at its meetings and urge national AAUP to do the same, and

**FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED** that AAUP publicize this issue on its website and in its publications.