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ager at the Redmond, Wash.-based software manufacturer, said Microsoft did not make the decision to do business in the racially segregated nation hastily.

"Before we went to South Africa to open an office, we talked to South Africans," Massengale said. "I just came back from there and I talked to just about everybody under the sun."

"We haven't gotten any feedback from any group in South Africa that we're premature, and they all know we're there, including the African National Congress," he said, referring to the primary black-led group working to end whites-only rule.

Massengale said the ANC is expected to issue a worldwide call for lifting of sanctions against South Africa within the next month or two, after a date has been set for universal elections in the nation.

But Marjorie Prince, head of a task force on Southern Africa with the Church Council of Greater Seattle, said Microsoft's move sends the wrong message.

"To do business in South Africa prematurely, as Microsoft is, only strengthens the apartheid apparatus and makes democracy and peace more difficult to achieve," she said.

"The African National Congress and the Congress of South African Trade Unions want the anti-

apartheid community in the United States to keep the pressure on," Prince said. "Apartheid is still killing people, and (ANC leader) Nelson Mandela still can't vote."

Microsoft is one of 20 companies that have either started or re-started their South African business since former President George Bush lifted economic sanctions in July 1991, said Alison Cooper, manager of corporate research for the South Africa section of the Investor Responsibility Research Center.

Microsoft signed a Statement of Principles for South Africa March 18, promising to provide equal employment opportunities, practice non-segregation and work against unjust laws and customs.

Many institutional investors have "partial divestment" policies that allow investment in companies that do business in South Africa as long as they subscribe to the Statement of Principles, said Bill Moses, a senior analyst at the Investor Responsibility Research Center.

The city of Seattle and University of Washington have total divestment policies. The university's policy was adopted in 1986 by the Board of Regents, which includes Mary Gates, the mother of Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates.

Moses said 20 states, 14 counties, 70 cities and the Virgin Islands have some kind of partial or total divestment policy. At least 40 of the largest 50 university endowments have partial or total divestment policies, he said.

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Brand smiled. "He learned a lot in one day," he said.

Brand's main tasks as a student were to attend a class at the library on using computer databases and act as chair of the social committee for the Theta Chi fraternity.

"I had to call off some of the parties," he said. "I enjoyed meeting the guys at the fraternity. I was impressed with how serious they were about their studies. We talked about sports and about Measure 5. They seemed well-informed."

Dichter said he didn't make any sweeping changes during his one-day reign. "I don't know what I would change," he said. He turned to some friends who had joined him at the table, and they made some suggestions: lower tuition, move toward a more multicultural curriculum, and open doors for a more diverse campus.

"Everyone I worked with was enthusiastic about the University and wants to see it run better," Dichter said. "I always had the misconception that administrators just sat behind their desks and got angry about budget cuts."

Dichter, who preferred to be called "President Donovan," thought the president's job was hard work and doing it every day would "take some getting used to."

Brand, however, said he had a fun day and couldn't wait to do it again.

"I liked learning something that was just for me, not for the institution," he said. "I always look forward to this."

The "Trading Places" day is sponsored annually by a 35-member student group that organizes homecoming, Parents' Weekend and other events. Dichter's name was chosen during a random drawing in March, and the swap day was originally scheduled for April 1. Because of mitigating circumstances, the day was rescheduled.

Dichter and Brand lifted their glasses in a toast to each other at the end of the day. "It was just a normal day," Dichter said, "except that I was president."

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ences in July 1991, transferring from the University of Colorado, where she served as both associate vice chancellor for research and as dean of the graduate school.

Palm joined the Colorado staff in 1982 as an associate geography professor. She has four degrees from the University of Minnesota — a doctoral and master's degree in geography, a bachelor of arts in history, and a bachelor of science degree in history and social studies education.

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His philosophical publications are mainly in the areas of epistemology, the philosophy of mind and of logic, and on the philosophy of Edmund Husserl. He also lectures and publishes in religion. *In Search of Guidance* appeared in 1984, and *The Spirit of the Disciplines* in 1988.

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