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African business officials from 10 countries, including Nigeria, Senegal, Gambia and Mali, are in Columbus this weekend with hopes of establishing business partnerships with **Ohio** companies.

The businessmen, representing a number of industries, are visiting as part of the 10th **Ohio Black Expo**. In addition to business opportunities, the annual event, taking place at Veterans Memorial, features entertainment, workshops, exhibits and lectures.

Activities begin at 10 a.m. today with the opening of the Consumer Exhibit, where businesses and organizations will showcase their products and services. At 10:30 a.m., Columbus Pastor Charles Booth will lead a session on African influences.

Other speakers today will include Carl Woodford, real estate expert, who will conduct a seminar on real estate transactions; Khari Enaharo, newspaper columnist, who will lead a panel discussion on corporate fair-share agreements; George Subira, businessman and lecturer, who will discuss formulas for business success; and Lenora Fulani, national chairperson of the New Alliance Political Party, who will lead a workshop on politics in the **black** community.

Ohio Black Expo officially started Thursday, with a community awards reception honoring seven citizens for their business, civic, education and artistic contributions. The Rev. Samuel D. Proctor, pastor emeritus of the nation's largest **black** Baptist church, was the keynote speaker. Activities continue through Sunday.

For more information on **expo** events, phone 237-4940.

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