

The SCHOOLING IN EVOLUTION Project

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EVOLUTION IS A CONFIRMED PRINCIPLE AND THE BASIS OF MODERN SCIENCE

"...the overwhelming significance of the theory of natural selection has been swept under the carpet. When it is taught in schools and universities it is usually given cursory treatment, and the fact that it is relevant to every aspect of human life is rarely made clear."

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From "The science of human progress" by Dr R. Holliday,
molecular biologist, Fellow of the Royal Society.

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WHY THE RIGHT TO AUTONOMY IN REPRODUCTION SHOULD BE A PRIME RIGHT IN ANY BILL OF RIGHTS

It is not popular knowledge unfortunately that the evolution of human life is a confirmed scientific principle, like gravity or the quantum. Evolution is the very basis of science and the only confirmed explanation of all life's development. **

This fact of evolution explains why human conception is independent of will; the process is in thrall to its animal origins. Mating is an in-built directive.

Thus we cannot be effectively human until we as individuals have control of our own reproduction. Abortion rights are the human imperative.

This evidence was submitted by me to the all-male parliamentary committee of 1973 set up to consider needs and make recommendations. The Abortion & Sterilisation Act of 1975 became our present law, with a subsequent minor amendment.

That committee's determined defense of cultural prejudice built on ignorance and chauvinism resulted in twenty years of misery, ill-health, even deaths, among some four million women.** The two decades also had the parallel effect of allowing population growth to gain strength through the birth of untold numbers of children unwanted from conception.....at a time when people like Dr. Gerald Mechanick were already warning about the population explosion.

Control over reproduction should be the first enablement forged for themselves by humans on at last acquiring the scientific insight of what it really means to be different from animals.

THIS PROJECT SUPPORTS THE RECOMMENDATIONS ALREADY SUBMITTED TO YOU FOR ABORTION RIGHTS IN ANY BILL OF RIGHTS BY THE BLACK SASH AND ARAG NATIONAL.

** At a conservative estimate of 200 000 backstreet abortions per year.

** Statements in my possession from some twelve winners of Nobel science prizes and other world-known scientists attest that evolution is central to science.

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AANGAANDE GAY REGTE IN DIE NUWE SUID-AFRIKA

Namens die Gay Christen Bond (GCB) wil ons, ons vertroue in die onderhandelingsproses bevestig. Ons glo die enigste weg na volle demokrasie vir elke burger van Suid-Afrika kan slegs deur veelparty onderhandelinge verkry word.

Soos ander (swart, wit, geletterd, ongeletterd, ryk, of arm) burgers van die land hoop om van vry van diskriminasie te wees , verwag die Gaygemeenskap dat daar nie na 27 April 1994 nog n soort apartheid teen ons sal bestaan nie.

Ons versoek dat die onderhandelaars die volgende moet in ag neem wanneer daar oor die Gaygemeenskap se toekoms besluit word:

- A) n Klousule in die handves vir menseregte ingesluit word, wat die regte van die Gaygemeenskap erken en beskerm.
- B) Skraping van alle wetgewing wat homoseksueliteit onwettig maak.
- C) Ontwerp van nuwe wetgewing wat diskriminasie teen gaymense verbied.(Sosiale-, arbeids-, sport en kulturele vlakke)
- D) Aanmoediging om vredraagsaamheid teenoor die Gaygemeenskap te bevorder.
- E) Erkenning van die feit dat daar in die verlede teen die Gaygemeenskap gediskrimineer is en dat regstellende aksies ingestel sal word waar mense bewyse kan lewer dat hulle benadeel is.

As daar in ag geneem word dat die totale Gaygemeenskap van S.A. groter is as sommige van die politieke partye wat by die onderhandelingsproses betrokke is, kan ons nie anders as om te verwag dat die politieke leiers sal toesien dat die Gaygemeenskap nie agtergelaat sal word in die nuwe Suid-

Afrika nie.

Die Gay Christen Bond van Johannesburg verteenwoordig die gay Christene van die Witwatersrandgebied. Ons glo in Jesus Christus ons Verlosser en Saligmaker. Ons is 'n interkerklike, nie-politiese, nie-militante, nie-winsgewende organisasie wat ten doel het om die morele en geestelike waardes onder die Gaygemeenskap te bevorder en hoog te hou. G.C.B. bestaan al vir die afgelope tien jaar en deur die Heer se genade kon ons nog altyd daarin slaag om ons plek in die gemeenskap vol te staan.

Ons bid dat die Here al die onderhandelaars sal lei en die wysheid sal gee om besluite te neem wat van ons land 'n beter plek vir almal sal maak. Ons vertrou en glo dat u nie die krag van gebed sal onderskat wanneer daar van u verwag word om belangrike besluite te neem nie.

Ons dank u en wens u alle sukses toe met u deelname in die proses om 'n verenigde S.A. te skep.

God se rykste seen.

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Lid van G.C.B. komitee