# THEME COMMITTEE 2 STRUCTURE OF GOVERNMENT

## **MEETING OF CORE GROUP**

Wednesday 29 March 1995 9h00-11h00

M201

**DOCUMENTATION** 

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# THEME COMMITTEE 2 STRUCTURE OF GOVERNMENT

## **CORE GROUP MEETING**

Please note that the above meeting will be held as indicated below:

Date :

Wednesday 29 March 1995

Time

9h00 - 11h00

Venue :

M201

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Opening and Welcome
- 2. Programme of Workshop on Traditional Leaders and Indigenous Law Scheduled for 3 April 1995
- 3. Workshop on Electoral System
- 4. Preparation for TC Meeting Scheduled for 3 April 1995
- 5. Any Other Business
- 6. Closure.

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## **THEME COMMITTEE 2**

## MINUTES OF CORE GROUP MEETING

Monday 20 March 1995 10h00-11h00 E216

#### PRESENT

Ndlovu VB (chairperson)

Groenewald PH Mahlangu MJ Rabie JA

**APOLOGIES** 

Pahad EGH

**ABSENT** 

Ebrahim AG Eglin CW

IN ATTENDANCE

Secretariat:

**Technical Committee:** 

Commission on Provincial Government:

Nene J, Smit T Motimele AMM

Irvine DM

#### 1. OPENING AND WELCOME

- 1.1. The meeting was opened by Ndlovu VB, who specifically welcomed the representative from the Commission on Provincial Government, who was encouraged to attend further meetings.
- The chairperson noted that only one hour was available for the meeting.
- 2. MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF THE CORE GROUP (01/03/95 AND 08/03/95), AS WELL AS MEETING OF THE CORE GROUP WITH TECHNICAL EXPERTS (13/03/95)
  - 2.1. The above minutes were adopted, subject to the following:
    - (i) Minutes 8 March, 2.1.(iii) and (iv): 3 March 1995 shall be replaced with 3 April 1995;
    - (ii) Minutes 1 March and 8 March: Groenewald's name shall be deleted from list of members absent, and remain on list of members indicated as present; and,
    - (iii) Minutes 8 March, 2.3.9: typographical error shall be corrected; full stop after convenor, and delete ", and had".

# 3. IN-HOUSE WORKSHOP ON CHECKS AND BALANCES SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE ON 27 MARCH 1995

- 3.1. The meeting noted that the TC2 Technical Committee had decided that the workshop shall not take place as planned. The Technical Committee was of the opinion that, as it had been dealt with in previous in-house workshops, there was no need to workshop the content of the planned workshop, Relationship between the Legislature and Executive: Appropriate Checks and Balances to Ensure Accountability, Responsiveness, and Openness: National Level.
- 3.2. The meeting noted that it was agreed to by the theme committee on 13 March, which was attended by the technical experts, that the above workshop be planned as indicated above (confirmation: minutes of core group meeting on 8/03/95; minutes of theme committee meeting on 13/03/95).
- 3.3. The meeting entertained discussion on the position raised by the Technical Committee. The meeting noted that the in-house workshop which was supposed to deal with unicameralism and bicameralism had not looked fully at a unicameral parliament. It was also noted

that although no party at this stage had made a submission specifically advocating for a unicameral legislature, it had been agreed by the theme committee that the question of a bicameral or unicameral legislature was a contentious one, and on the basis of that understanding it was agreed that information should be gathered pertaining to both possibilities, in order that the constitutional committee will be in a position to take into account such information and alternatives as a basis for the ultimate negotiations.

3.4. The meeting agreed that the workshop shall proceed as initially requested and on 27 March 1995. In clarification, it was noted that this means that the workshop shall be concerned with: the executive and legislature (both unicameral and bicameral) at a national level, with the emphasis on appropriate checks and balances to ensure accountability, responsiveness, and openness.

### 4. SUBMISSIONS

- 4.1. The meeting noted that submissions by most political parties were still awaited on block 2. The NP and PAC submissions on block 2/3 had been received by Administration and were included in the submissions pack as at 2 March 1995, volume 3. The ANC indicated that its submission was being submitted to Administration in the course of the morning. The DP was not present. The FF indicated that its submission was with a typist, and shall be submitted during the course of the week. The IFP indicated that its submission shall also be submitted during the course of the week.
- 4.2. The meeting also noted that the above submissions were urgently awaited in order to expedite the work of the committee. It was noted that the party presentations may commence on the suggested theme committee meeting days of 18-21 April, after the recess. Should the workshop on traditional leaders and indigenous law for any reason not take place as scheduled on 3 April, party presentations may commence earlier on that date.
- 4.3. The meeting noted that the submissions pack which had been received by the core group (submissions volume 3) included additional submissions pertaining to block 1. However, it was also noted that these additional submissions on block 1 had been received subsequent to the date of the report of TC2 on block 1 and the advertised closing date for public submissions on block 1.
- 4.4. The meeting agreed to propose to the TC2 that a cut-off date of 20 March be set for public submissions on block 1, whereafter further

public submissions on block 1 will be filed by Administration in order that they may be accessed should that become necessary.

### 5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 5.1. Workshop on Traditional Leaders and Indigenous Law Scheduled to take place on 3 April 1995
  - 5.1.1. The meeting noted that TC2 Technical Committee was concerned about the structure and format of the workshop scheduled to take place on 3 April 1995 and and that TC2 Technical Committee requested that that this matter be discussed at the workshop scheduled to take place on 27 April.
  - 5.1.2. The meeting noted that the workshop scheduled on 3 April was not aimed at addressing the substance of the issues, but aimed at evaluating what are the affected issues, and with which TC's do they resort, as recorded in the minutes of the core group meeting of 8 March 1995, item 2.2.2.
  - 5.1.3. The meeting noted the TC2 Technical Committee's report that Prof Dlova had been mandated by the technical committee to liaise with Prof Nhlapo, convenor of the ad hoch Technical Committee on traditional leaders in respect of the above. The meeting agreed that Adv Motimele shall seek clarity on what had transpired at that meeting.
  - 5.1.4. The meeting further agreed to request the TC2 Technical Committee, through Administration, to contact the ad hoc Technical Committee on traditional leaders in order to redraft a programme for the workshop on 3 April in a way which shall address the interests of TC2. It was also agreed that the programme shall then again be tabled at the next meeting of the core group.
  - 5.1.5. The meeting also agreed that the programme of the workshop scheduled on 27 March 1995 shall remain as indicated above, and shall not address matters concerning traditional authorities.

## 5.2. Commission on Provincial Government (CPG)

- 5.2.1. The meeting noted the CPG's Programme for Workshops, Think Tanks and Constitutional Committee meetings, as well as other documentation concerning the CPG.
- 5.2.2. The meeting entertained discussion in respect of the above programme. In respect of the CPG's workshop, Traditional Authorities, scheduled to take place on 21 April 1995, the meeting requested the representative from the Commission to kindly ensure that experts making presentations to the Commission's workshop also be invited to attend the workshop on 3 April 1995, for the efficient co-ordination of experts.
- 5.2.3. The meeting noted that the representative of the CPG indicated that the TC2 and technical experts shall be invited to attend and participate actively in the CPG workshop, and that the workshop shall be held in Pretoria.

## 5.3. Ad hoc Technical Committee on Traditional Authorities

5.3.1. The meeting noted that concern was expressed in respect of what was perceived as the unilateral replacement of technical experts attached to TC2 without taking into account names of other technical experts submitted to the Administration.

#### 6. CLOSURE

6.1. The meeting rose at 11h10.

Signed I	by	Chairperson	
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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

MEMBERS OF THEME COMMITTEES II, III, IV AND V

FROM:

HASSEN EBRAHIM

DATE: 20 MARCH 1995

#### **RE: TRADITIONAL LEADERS**

The National General Council of Contralesa met in a Workshop on Traditional Leaders and the constitution-making process on 17/18 March 1995. I attach under cover hereof a copy of their Press release for your information.

## PRESS RELEASE

## NATIONAL GENERAL COUNCIL OF CONTRALESA

- meeting in a workshop on Traditional Leaders and the Constitution-making Process held at the Manhatten Karos Hotel, Pretoria, 17-18 March 1995

The role, powers and functions of traditional leaders in negotiations and governmental process in general should be expanded in order to ensure that the views and aspirations of millions of people are properly represented on all levels of government. The current process of registration of voters for local government elections, can only be successful if clarity is reached on the role and status of traditional leaders in rural government. Provision should therefore be made for traditional leaders to become more involved in the current negotiations, the development of a new constitution, participating in the formulation of policy options especially regarding the social and economic restructuring of South Africa, and the implementation of RDP and other policy measures.

These are some of the most important recommendations that will be presented to the Constitutional Assembly by the executive of CONTRALESA. At a workshop on the future of traditional leaders in South Africa, which was facilitated by the Centre for Constitutional Analysis (HSRC) over the week-end, traditional leaders from across South Africa were exposed to information regarding the experience of traditional authorities in other post-independent African states, experiences in South Africa since the implementation of the interim constitution, and major problem areas that exist at present.

CONTRALESA emphasized that the experience of various African countries illustrate that at least in some cases, traditional authorities have over years of instability, provided a basis of stability and continuity - even though the fact that they were in many cases ignored and even abolished by the post-colonial governments. However, where many other democratic arrangements have failed or developed problems of various kinds, the institutions of traditional authorities have not only remained intact, they also fulfil a crucial role in the governmental process - especially on local levels and in the delivery of services.

The political and economic situation in Africa would have been much worse if it was not for the presence of traditional authorities and structures and approaches that accompany it.

The following are some of the most important recommendations that are being presented to the Constitutional Assembly:

- The democratic dispensation developed in South Africa should be developed in a manner which reflects the values of the whole community that it serves. The institution and role of traditional leaders, which have been in existence for longer than than liberal democracy in the West, have to be treated with respect and accordingly the integrated within the structures of national, provincial and local government
- Traditional authorities are organs of government in the same way as local and provincial levels and must be treated accordingly. Traditional leaders have always had, and need continue to have, substantial legislative, administrative and even judicial powers which are exercised in conjunction with elected councillors and in consultation and cooperation with other levels of government (namely provincial and national)
- a series of meetings must be held between the Constitutional Assembly and the respective houses for traditional leaders in the provinces, in order to afford the opportunity for a proper dialogue. The understanding that was reached at the World Trade Centre to the effect that the Council for Traditional Leaders would be an integral part of the Constitutional Assembly must be implemented as a matter of urgency
- the constitution must acknowledge and protect the status of traditional authorities as fully fledged local government in rural areas. This means that all functions and powers guaranteed to local government, should also be accorded to rural local governments. These rural governments should be headed by the chief of the particular area, while elections will also be held for councillors

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traditional authorities, shall in their role as rural local government, render services

of equal standard to all individuals residing in their particular areas of jurisdiction

the powers of the provincial houses of traditional leaders should in general be

strengthened and expanded. The fact that the houses in terms of the interim

constitution only have advisory powers and that their advice can be ignored by the

provincial legislature, undermines their credibility and legitimacy

the establishment of the National Council of Traditional Leaders must be proceeded

with as a matter of urgency in order to ensure that the will of traditional leaders is

, reflected on the national level

CONTRALESA wants to emphasize that traditional authorities have a crucial role to play in

the democratization of South Africa, the formulation of policy on all levels of government,

the social and economic restructuring of our country, and the implementation of various

policy programmes - especially those related to rural areas.

CONTRALESA wants to express a serious concern that the process of drafting the new

constitution could be perceived as overhasty by communities. Various aspects on the interim

constitution have not yet been implemented or not tested in practice, while communities are

now requested to consider improvements. The danger exists that in the same way that

negotiations at Kempton Park were conducted with little public input, the current process

could be exposed to criticism. With the view to making the Public Participation Programme

more meaningful, the forums must also be held in the deep rural countryside and not only

in towns and cities.

Nkosi Phathckile Holomisa (Ah! Dilizintaba)

President: CONTRALESA

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

MEMBERS OF THEME COMMITTEES II, III

FROM:

HASSEN EBRAHIM

DATE:

20 MARCH 1995

## RE: SUBMISSION ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

I attach under cover hereof a copy of a letter received from Dr Bertus de Villiers from the HSRC for your information.

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Mr H Ebrahim
Executive Director
Constitutional Assembly
P.O. Box 15
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Dear Mr Ebrahim

## SUBMISSION ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT

The Centre for Constitutional Analysis has in the past few years done extensive research on matters pertaining to regional government, the allocation of powers and intergovernmental relations in other countries. Given your invitation to submit proposals to you Working Group, I would like to offer our services in the following ways:

- \* We could give oral evidence regarding particular areas of interest to you
- \* we could identify and invite foreign scholars to give evidence to you and/or to participate in workshops arranges on specific issues
- \* attached is a list of our publications dealing with matters that may be of interest. All these sources can be obtaining from us or from the library of Parliament
- \* a copy of our latest publication will be forwarded to you. It deals with the foreign relations powers and provinces and is entitled Foreign relations and the provinces comparative experiences.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any other information.

Yours sincerely

Bertus de Villiers

#### LIST OF PUBLICATIONS ON REGIONAL GOVERNMENT

De Villiers, B., "Grondwetlike streekontwikkeling in Spanje: Enkele riglyne vir die vestiging van streekregerings in Suid-Afrika." <u>SA Publiekreg</u>, 1989:242-260.

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De Villiers, B., <u>Intergovernmental relations</u>: <u>Guidelines for South Africa</u> (1993) Konrad Adenauer Stiftung

De Villiers, B., "Intergovernmental relations: A Constitutional framework" in De Villiers (ed.), <u>Birth of a constitution</u> (Juta) 1994

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De Villiers, B., Foreign relations and provinces - a comparative overview of Germany, the USA, Switzerland and Australia (1995) HSRC Publishers

De Villiers, B., <u>Bundestreue - thory and application in intergovernmental</u> relations in Germany, <u>Switzerland and Belgium</u> Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, 1995

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

23 March 1995

#### To All Theme Committees

## Re: Establishment of Commissions

All Theme Committees have been requested by the Management Committee to reconsider the establishment of commissions. You should please consider what issues, if any, in your Theme Committee are best dealt with in Commissions. Please direct responses to the Executive Director by Friday 1 April 1995.

## HASSEN EBRAHIM **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

# WORKSHOP ON TRADITIONAL LEADERS AND INDIGENOUS LAW

## MONDAY, 03 APRIL 1995 09H00 - 13H00

VENUE : OLD ASSEMBLY CHAMBER

1. Status and Application of Customary Law - Prof. T. Nhlapo

2. The Role of Traditional Leadership: Executive and Legislative Functions of the State

Prof. B.R. Maeke

3. Customary Law and the Bill of Rights with particular reference to the Gender Implications of Traditional Leadership

Ms T. Madonsela

4. Relationship of Traditional Authorities to other levels of Government; including: Local Government and other specialised structures

Prof. F. de Villiers

CLOSURE



#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

CHAIRPERSONS OF THEME COMMITTEES 1 - 6

FROM:

HASSEN EBRAHIM

DATE:

27 MARCH 1995

# PROPOSED DISCUSSION/LUNCH WITH GROUP OF WESTMINSTER PARLIAMENTARIANS

Please find attached under cover hereof a copy of a request for a meeting with 6 Westminster Parliamentarians who will be in Cape Town between 9 and 14 April 1995.

The proposed meeting will take place on 10 April 1995 with Mr Leon Wessels who has agreed to see them.

Please let me have your advice how to deal with this matter as soon as possible.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

To: Executive Director (Constitutional Assembly) [FOR ATTENTION: ANITA]

From: P A Lilienfeld (Parliamentary International Relations)

# RE: PROPOSED DISCUSSIONS/LUNCH WITH GROUP OF WESTMINSTER PARLIAMENTARIANS

A delegation of six Westminster parliamentarians (CV's attached) will be visiting this Parliament between 9 and 14 April, during which time Parliament is in recess.

Mr Leon Wessels has agreed to hold discussions with the group on Monday 10 April, probably from 11:00 [to be confirmed], to be followed by a lunch which he will host in Parliament.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could arrange for a member/members of the Executive of the Constitutional Assembly, as well as any theme committee chairpersons who may be available, to attend the meeting and lunch in order to brief the delegation. It is appreciated that this is to take place in recess and that difficulty may therefore be experienced in this regard.

Could you let me know what you manage to arrange in this regard?

Your help is really appreciated.

22 March 1995

A: LKGRP-CA.MEM/pl

#### LEADER:

FOWLER. The Rt Hon. Sir Norman. (Sustan Coldfield) C. majority 26.036



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Home Affairs Cttee 1971-72. Vice-Chrmn 1974. PPS to Sec. for Northern Ireland 1972-74. Opposition Spokesman Home Affairs, 1974-75. Chief Opposition Spokesman Social Services 1975-76. Chief Opposition Spokesman Social Services 1975-76. Chief Opposition Spokesman Social Services 1975-76. Chief Opposition Spokesman Social Services 1979-81. Secretary of State for Transport Jan. Sept. 1981. Sec. of State for Social Services 1981-87. Secretary of State for Employment 1987-90. PC 1979. Kt. 1990. Chrmn Conservative Backbench Cttee on European Affairs 1991-92. Chrmn of the Conservative Party 1992-94. Author of: After the Riots. 1979: Ministers Decide. 1991. Member for Nottingham. South div. 1970-74. and for Sutton Coldfield from 1974. Address. The Ri Hon. Sir Norman Fowler. MP. House of Commons. London. SWIA OAA. (0171-219-3000).

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