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Dear Theuns

In view of the fact that Colin Egan will not be at Planning Committee to-morrow, I am sending you a copy of a resolution that I intend to move in the Negotiating Council to-morrow. I obviously have no problem if you let other members of the Planning Committee see this draft resolution.

I am also sending you the DP amendments to the constitution as agreed. Sorry they are not typed but I do not have the facilities available at present.

Many thanks.

Ken Coates

DEMOCRATIC PARTY RESOLUTION TO
MPNP NEGOTIATING COUNCIL

That this Council

NOTING THAT

- (a) the proposal to have one ballot paper in the first election has given rise to widespread criticism, controversy and unhappiness;
- (b) the unjust and detrimental effect that this is likely to have on smaller, regionally-based parties;
- (c) the undermining effect that a single ballot would have on the devolution of power, voter choice and the need to encourage an inclusive political process

THEREFORE RESOLVES

to reconsider the issue of having one or two ballot papers and to attempt to achieve a solution which has the support of as broad a consensus of parties as possible.

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Democratic Party Proposed Amendments
to the Constitution

1. Clause 41 (1)

Add the words:

" Provided that the Deputy Speaker shall be from a party different from that of the Speaker and members of the National Assembly who belong to the same party as the Speaker shall not be entitled to participate in the election of the ^{Deputy} Speaker."

2. Clause 43 (1)(b)

Add: " unless one tenth or more members of such party cease at the same time to be members, or more than two years have elapsed since the member was elected."

3. Clause 48 (2)

After the words " The Senate shall thereafter elect a Deputy President of the Senate from amongst its members,"

2Add:

" provided that the Deputy President of the Senate shall be a member of a party different from that of the President of the Senate and members of the Senate who are members of the same party as the President of the Senate shall not participate in the election of the Deputy President of the Senate."

4. clause 60(2)

Replace with the following:

"(2) A bill which affects the boundaries or the exercise of powers or functions of a particular provinces, but not all provinces equally, shall be approved by a majority of Senators of that or those provinces."

5. clause 67(3)

Delete "40" and substitute "20"

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Ken C. Jones