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TO

: THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MULTI PARTY NEGOTIATING PROCESS BILL ON FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

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We the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DEMOCRATIC LAWYERS (JOHANNESBURG BRANCH), representing an association of lawyers committed to democracy, in an effort to articulate the needs of all the women of this country and help to pave the way to effective equality for all, call upon the Negotiating Council to ensure that the country's law recognized equality for all its citizens.

We believe that equality is indivisible, and thus unequivocally urge the Negotiating Council to deliver equality to all women irrespective of race, colour or creed, at the same time.

We reject completely the notion of the promise of immediate equality to white, coloured and indian women to the exclusion of african women under customary law.

CAWE MAHLATI TREASURER NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DEMOCRATIC LAWYERS (JOHANNESBURG BRANCH)