MULTIPARTY NEGOTIATION PROCESS TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE #6 ON THE AMENDMENT OR REPEAL OF LEGISLATION IMPENDING FREE POLITICAL ACTIVITY AND DISCRIMINATORY LEGISLATION

HEADS OF ARGUMENTS AND POSITIONS OF THE INKATHA FREEDOM PARTY SUBMITTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE KWAZULU GOVERNMENT

FULL SUBMISSION WILL BE MADE TO THIS TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE WITHIN THE DEADLINE LAID. THE FOLLOWING IS MERELY AN ABRIDGED STATEMENT TO BE ELABORATED IN THE FINAL DOCUMENT.

All legislation impeding free political activity and discriminatory legislation should be amended or repealed immediately. This exercise needs to be preceded by the determination of applicable reference concepts. In fact this exercise amounts to a comparison between existing legislation and given concepts of political freedom and lack of discrimination. The preliminary threshold issue of what is discrimination and what is political freedom needs to be resolved. The IFP proposes that the Technical Sub-Committee reviews the existing legislation against the parameters of the Bill of Rights set forth in the Constitution of the State of KwaZulu/Natal and recommends the repeal of all the legislation which would not allow the free exercise of any of the rights set forth in such a Constitution.

Special attention should be given to those rights and considerations which are immediately related to the political presence of segments of society in the political process leading to elections and therefore special attention should be given to the rights of the victims of apartheid, women, the disabled and other groups which need require special protection.

The IFP has submitted the foregoing heads of arguments to indicate its general positions and perspective on the issues before this Technical Sub-Committees. The IFP reserves the right to submit a more comprehensive and detailed position paper on each of the foregoing subject matters.