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CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY

CORE GROUP

THEME COMMITTEE 3

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT

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MINUTES OF CORE GROUP THEME COMMITTEE 3 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT TUESDAY 24 JANUARY 1995 (AT 08H30)

PRESENT

de Lille P
Fourie A
Groenewald PJ
Mapisa NN
Smith PF

Apologies
Andrew KM
Du Toit DC

In attendance
Mbasa Mxenge
Sandra Haydon
Thandi Mngadi-Kgosidintsi

1. OPENING

The meeting was chaired by P de Lille.

2. CHANGE OF COMMITTEE MEMBER

Due to the illness of Mr Felgate Mr P Mtshali has moved to Theme Committee 1 and is replaced by Mr PF Smith. (To be confirmed in writing).

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 9 NOVEMBER 1994

3.1 With reference to 2.3 the Core Group was advised by the Constitutional Committee to address points 1-5 in the drawing up of the Theme Committee Work Plan.

3.1.2 The Secretariat clarified the following issues:

iii. Clarity on overlapping issue (part 3);

To be referred to the Secretariat for central co-ordination.

iv. Clarity as to composition of commissions (para 5);

To be decided by the Theme Committee

v. Clarity re deadline/appointment of technical experts (para 9).

The deadline has been extended until 12H00 24 January 1995. The final short-list should be ready by 25 January 1995.

3.2 The Secretariat advised that written notification had not been received from the ACDP of their decision to waive their right to Political Party submission.

4. WORKSHOP ON PROVINCIAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Mr M Mxenge gave a report-back of the workshop held in Pretoria on 28-30 November 1994. The meeting expressed concern that the submission from the CPG will not be received by the final deadline for Block 1. The Secretariat advised that the CPG is currently acting as a clearing house for submissions received from various local authorities and will submit its submission at a later date.

5. SCHEDULE AND PLANNING FOR FIRST BLOCK

5.1 The Secretariat reminded the meeting of the timetable for the 1st Block as agreed by the Constitutional Committee.

5.2 The Secretariat advised the meeting that public participation events will be organised by Community Liaison in conjunction with SACS, following discussion by the Core Group and the Theme Committee. There will be no public participation events as scheduled for 28-29 January as Community Liaison is in the process of finalising its structures.

- 5.3 The meeting agreed that the following issues should be discussed at the Theme Committee meeting 25 January 1995:
- i. How contentious and non-contentious issues should be dealt with;
 - ii. Clarify the role of the Technical Experts; and
 - iii. The drafting of reports.

6. SUBMISSIONS

- 6.1 The meeting requested the Secretariat assist with the transcribing of submissions to English and to provide a typed copy of handwritten submissions as required.
- 6.2 The meeting requested the Secretariat assist in highlighting those issues raised in submission which are relevant to Block 1.
- 6.3 It was decided that Political Party submissions would be dealt with as submitted. The ANC and PAC advised that their submissions will be forwarded to the Secretariat today for discussion in the Theme Committee meeting on 26 January 1995. The Secretariat was requested to ensure that all Political Party submissions are in by 25 January 1995.
- 6.4 The meeting agreed that reports relating to Political Party submissions will have a synopsis and a philosophical approach.
- 6.5 The meeting requested the Secretariat to make copies of Political Party submissions available in order to facilitate discussion.
- 6.6 The meeting noted that the Core Group needs to find a way to deal with submissions in the flow, if additional information is required.
- 6.7 The meeting expressed concern that only one Provincial Government has made a submission. The Secretariat agreed to refer the matter to Thozamile Botha.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

The Secretariat requested Committee members submit written apologies in writing as attendance will be monitored as in the National Assembly.

8. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 09H30.