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TO: The Technical Committee on Constitutional Issues

FROM: The Democratic Party

POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF REGIONS

On behalf of the Democratic Party I enclose the following comments which relate directly to Core Document 'C' (Five Flip Charts indicating a balanced approach to Constitutional Decentralisation) included in the Democratic Party submission dated 12 May 1993.

Fiscal Powers

1. An extract from the Minutes of Codesa Working Group 2 endorsing the view that the various levels of government should have fiscal powers (3 March 1992, Para 4.3.1)
 - The cross references are to
 - a) Page 2 para 2 of Democratic Party's previous submission - (Constitutional Principle)
 - b) Core Document 'C', Flip Charts A and B - (Fiscal Rights and Powers)

Shared Powers or Joint Responsibility

2. An extract from the German "Basic Law" dealing with Concurrent Legislation (Articles 72, 74 and 74a)

The cross reference is Core Document 'C', Flip Chart C (Concurrent Legislation)
3. An extract from the German 'Basic Law' dealing with "Skeleton" provisions (Article 75)

The cross reference is Core Document 'C', Flip Chart C (Outlining Legislation)

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Powers of Regions residual or defined?

4. ... An extract from the German 'Basic Law' dealing with Joint Tasks (Article 91a and 91b)

The cross reference is Core Document 'C', Flip Chart D (Joint Tasks - Executive)

Regional Powers defined or residual?

6. Attention is drawn to desirability of having Regional Powers defined and not residual

The cross reference is Core Document 'C', Flip Chart E (Footnote 3)

Yours sincerely



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on behalf of DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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