RESOLUTION 23

RESOLUTION ON THE ATTACK ON WORSHIPPERS IN KENILWORTH ON SUNDAY 25 JULY 1993

This Negotiating Council meeting on 26 July 1993 at the World Trade Centre in Kempton Park:

Shocked and Saddened:

By the horrendous attack on and murder of innocent, unarmed people assembled in prayer in a place of worship;

Alarmed:

By the desecration of a place of worship;

Concerned:

That such senseless and barbaric acts of violence seem to be repeatedly occurring, as this attack did, on the eve of vital new developments in the negotiating process;

Therefore Resolves To:

Condemn:

In the strongest terms this callous, despicable and unforgivable act of violence against humanity in general and worshippers in particular;

Rededicate:

Ourselves to resist this and all other attempts to disrupt negotiations, demoralise ordinary South Africans and sink our country into chaos and internecine violence;

Call:

- * On all South Africans, black and white to join us and each other in bringing peace and understanding to our country and to help bring the murderers to justice;
- * On government to act decisively to stop these and other violent acts and isolate the "sinister force" that is clearly responsible for some of this violence;
- * On all political formations and leaders to denounce all violence, particularly the use of violence for political objectives, and to refrain from making inflammatory and irresponsible calls on people to arm themselves in order to incite violence;

And:

Convey our heartfelt condolences to those who have lost members of their family in this attack and wish all injured persons a speedy recovery.