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ATTENTION ALL NEGOTIATING PARTIES:

RE: THE FUNDAMENTAL BILL OF RIGHTS

Salt Shakers is a Christian grassroots organisation comprised of thousands of concerned citizens around South Africa. We have been informed that you are finalizing the new Bill of Rights in the next few days and are very disturbed by the inclusion of "sexual orientation" in your anti-discriminatory clause.

Do you realise that if we as a nation include "sexual orientation" in the fundamental Bill of Rights, we will be the first country in the world to constitutionally protect the homosexual lifestyle!

Sexual orientation is a broad term that can easily include not only homosexuals and lesbians but also paedophilia, bestiality and other perversions.

The implications of including "sexual orientation" in the anti-discriminatory clause are far reaching. This, in effect, would mean:

- All existing sodomy laws must be abolished, legalising homosexuality, lesbianism, paedophilia, bestiality, and any other sexual perversion.
- The legalisation of marriages between homosexual and lesbian couples and the right to adopt children.
- It would make it a federal offense for churches, schools, and businesses to refuse to hire homosexuals for any reason.
- Homosexuality would have to be taught as a legitimate alternative lifestyle to our children in schools and in textbooks.
- It would require that affirmative action must also be applied to homosexuals.

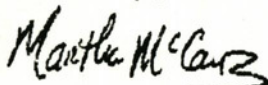
Proponents of this "sexual orientation" clause demand a favoured status as a "minority". We believe that that is an insult to those legitimately deemed to be minorities (on basis of race, colour, national origin, religious conviction, etc..)

"You are the Salt of the Earth"

Please take a look at the graphs below, can we legitimately and fairly include this group of people in the anti-discriminatory clause. Is that not an insult to those who have legitimately suffered for years in this country and who deserve protection by law?

We strongly urge you to re-consider your decision and to not include the words "sexual orientation" in the new Bill of Rights.

Sincerely,



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Coordinator

COMPARE	BLACK AMERICANS	HOMOSEXUALS
Denied the right to vote	Yes	NO
Official segregation?	Yes	NO
Denied access by law to public drinking fountains, restrooms?	Yes	NO
Denied access by law to businesses, restaurants, barber shops, etc.?	Yes	NO
Verifiable economic hardship as a result of discrimination?	Yes	NO

COMPARE	Homosexuals	National Average	Hispanics 1-3 Years of High School	Blacks 1-3 Years of High School
Average annual household	\$55,430	\$32,144	\$17,939	\$12,166
College Graduates	59.6%	18.0%	Not Available	Not Available
Professional/ Managerial Positions	49.0%	15.9%	Not Available	Not Available
Overseas Travelers (1987)	65.8%	14.0%	Not Available	Not Available
Frequent Fliers (1987)	26.5%	1.9%	Not Available	Not Available

Source: Wall Street Journal, July 18, 1991, Page B1. (Simmons Market Research Bureau, US Census data. Figures are from 1988, latest years available at time of article.)