

THESE ARE DRAFT MINUTES. THEY ARE CONFIDENTIAL AND RESTRICTED TO MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE OF PARTICIPATING PARTIES IN THE MULTI-PARTY NEGOTIATING PROCESS. THEY ARE SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION AT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE.

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
HELD ON 18 AUGUST 1993 AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE.**

CHAIR : S. Razak
PRESENT : See Addendum A
MINUTES : O. Khoza

1. **Moment of Prayer/Meditation**

2. **Apologies**

Apologies were noted from the following members:

C. Harrop

C. Niehaus

M. Moriarty

M. Van Schalkwyk

3. **Welcome and Attendance**

The Chairperson welcomed the members of the Committee to the meeting. It was noted that the attendance of the members was still poor. Only fourteen members were present out of twenty six participating parties.

4. **Agenda**

A proposed agenda was adopted without change.

5. Minutes

5.1 Ratification of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were ratified without change.

5.1 Matters Arising

5.1.1 Media Coverage

The Committee reported back on their findings as regards to the research done on various radio stations. The Media Liaison Officer arranged for a radio announcer from Venda Radio station to brief the Committee on how the insertion of regular slots would work.

5.1.2 It was agreed by members of the Committee that the Media Liaison Officer should get hold of various radio stations to try and find out how one could utilise the radio facilities in terms of inserting regular slots on weekly basis. Date and time for such slots will be determined after a report from the Media Liaison Officer to be tabled at the next meeting. The Media Liaison Officer is expected to report back to the Committee at the next meeting on 25 August 1993.

5.1.3 The Committee agreed that the Media Liaison Officer should report back on her findings with various radio stations first, before the Committee makes its recommendations to the Planning Committee as regards how to improve the Media Coverage.

5.1.4 Members of the Committee who have investigated the possible use of radio stations agreed to hand to the Media Liaison Officer names and telephone numbers for her easy reference to communicate with those who agreed to provide services to the Multi-Party Negotiating Process.

6. Reportback from the Planning Committee

Mr M. Maharaj gave a report back from the Planning Committee in response to the recommendations (See Addendum B) resubmitted to the Planning Committee for further consideration:

- 6.1 Despite strong feelings expressed by the members of the Communications Committee as regards to specific issues, including the transparency of proceedings at the World Trade Centre, the Planning Committee was still of the opinion that most of the "in house" tasks entrusted to the Communications Committee had been completed. However, Mr Maharaj did indicate that the Planning Committee had taken note of **Clause 6** on the resolutions, where the Communications Committee requested the Planning Committee to consider the expertise acquired by the Committee and possibly incorporate this Committee into future transitional structures.
- 6.2 Mr. Maharaj also indicated that the Communications Committee will continue to meet on ad-hoc basis as far as "in house" tasks are concerned.
- 6.3 In reply to a question by the Committee whether members could be present in the Negotiating Council, Mr Maharaj said that members of the Committee were welcome to use the viewing room to watch the Negotiating Council proceedings.

7. **General**

Mr TC Memela of Kwazulu Government told the Committee that he would be unable to attend meetings of the Communications Committee on a weekly basis due to restrictions by his Government on the use of the car.

8. **Date of next meeting**

The Committee agreed to meet again on Wednesday 25 August 1993 at 10h30.

9. **Closure**

The meeting closed at 12h30.

ADDENDUM A

| MEMBER | PARTY |
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| 1. B. Letsatsi | ANC |
| 2. D. Jackson | Bop Government |
| 3. DM Jongilanga | Cape Traditional Leaders |
| 4. M.S. Setai | Dikwankwetla |
| 5. A.P. Laka | Intando Yesizwe |
| 6. J.M. Matsana | Inyandza National Movement |
| 7. T C Memela | Kwazulu Government |
| 8. J. Bachu | National Peoples' Party |
| 9. S. Razak | Solidarity Party |
| 10. M.A Netshimbupfe | Tvl. Traditional Leaders |
| 11. V.P. Makwarela | Venda Government |
| 12. S.N. Bambo | United Peoples' Front |
| 13. BBR Shilubana | Ximoko Progressive Party |
| 14. L. Fourie | S.A. Government. |

ADDENDUM B

RESOLUTIONS OF THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE 4 AUGUST 1993

At the meeting of the Communications Committee held on the 4 August 1993 it was resolved that the following recommendations be placed before the Planning Committee for urgent consideration:

1. That the **Terms of Reference** of the Communications Committee be clarified and if necessary be modified to permit the Committee to act in an Advisory capacity in respect of the promulgation of information to the public at large.
2. The Communications Committee expresses its concern at the general lack of knowledge regarding the achievements of the Multi-Party Negotiations Process.
3. In the light of the urgent need for **Voter Education** in respect of the future structure and constitution of the country, it is imperative that a readily understood educational campaign starts forthwith.
4. Most of the "in house" tasks entrusted to the Communications Committee have now been completed and unless the scope of the Committee can be extended to meet current needs the future for the Committee is severely limited.
5. In the light of current violence, the members insist that extended Communication is necessary now and cannot be left to an interim structure.
- * 6. The members recommend that the body of knowledge and expertise accumulated by the Communications Committee be incorporated into future transitional structures.