CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

MEMORANDUM

TO:

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

DATE: FROM: MONDAY 20 MAY 1996 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Please find attached the minutes of the Management Committee meeting of Thursday 16 May 1996.

HASSEN EBRAHIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY

MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY 16 MAY 1996

Present

MC Ramaphosa (Chairperson) L Wessels (Deputy Chairperson)

K Meshoe

M Moosa

C Eglin R Meyer M Myakayaka-Manzini C Vilioen A Van Breda

Apologies: OC Chabane (late) Absent: R Sizani, P Smith

1. **OPENING**

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 08h10.

MINUTES 2.

The minutes of the Management Committee of 6 May 1996 were adopted.

3. **ACTIVITIES OF CA ADMINISTRATION AFTER 8 MAY 1996**

- Mr Ebrahim spoke to the document contained in the 3.1 documentation before the meeting entitled "Report on Activities of CA Administration after 8 May 1996." and the correspondence Constitutional Court contained received from the supplementary documentation to the meeting. This consisted of:
 - A letter from the registrar of the Constitutional Court;
 - A statement by the President of the Constitutional Court; ii and
 - Constitutional Court directions in terms of Rule 15. iii
- He pointed to a typgraphical error in item 4 (a) on page 2 of the 3.2 Directions in terms of Rule 15. This should read as follows:
 - Lodge written objections with the Registrar of the a) Constitutional Court, by not later than 3 p.m. on the 31st May 1996.

- The meeting endorsed the document outlining the activities of the Administration after 8 May 1996, subject to the following amendments and additions:
- 3.3.1 Mr Eglin of the DP suggested that a certificate be issued to all staff of the Administration stating that they had contributed to the constitution-making process. This should be signed by the Chairperson and serve as a record of their involvement in a historic process. The meeting agreed.
- 3.3.2 It was agreed that the adopted Constitution should, prior to certification, be published in English only, until all languages were complete. It was further agreed that the translations should be checked or considered by linguists and/or translators who had worked on the translation of the Bible.
- 3.3.3 It was agreed that the Constitution should contain an index, to ensure that the doucment is as accessible as possible to the broader public.
- 3.3.4 It was agreed that political accountability for the Administration after the resignation of the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson from Parliament after certification, should continue to reside in the Management Committee. The Administration would continue with the agreed activities, and convene the Management Committee when necessary.
- 3.3.5 Mr Moosa of the ANC said the Department of Constitutional Development would be contacting the Executive Director for assistance in discussing what kind of follow-up was needed on those activities that would be handed over to his Department, after the Administration had finally shut down.

4. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 09h30.

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