

MULTIPARTY NEGOTIATION PROCESS
TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE #5
ON AN INDEPENDENT MEDIA COMMISSION

HEADS OF ARGUMENTS AND POSITIONS
OF THE INKATHA FREEDOM PARTY
SUBMITTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH
THE KWAZULU GOVERNMENT

FULL SUBMISSION WILL BE MADE TO THIS TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE WITHIN THE DEADLINE LAID. THE FOLLOWING IS MERELY AN ABRIDGED STATEMENT TO BE ELABORATED IN THE FINAL DOCUMENT.

The IFP has supported the idea of an independent commission regulating electronic media of mass communication to be modelled along the lines of the British Independent Broadcasting Authority. However, the powers and functions of such commission should be strictly limited and monitored so as to ensure that their exercise does not infringe in any way possible on the freedom of the media, and that all decision of the commission are subject to judicial review on the basis of acceptable and pre-agreed parameters.

The IFP has submitted the foregoing heads of arguments to indicate its general positions and perspective on the issues before this Technical Sub-Committees. The IFP reserves the right to submit a more comprehensive and detailed position paper on each of the foregoing subject matters.

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