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For the Attention of Dr Theuns Eloff

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Dear Sirs

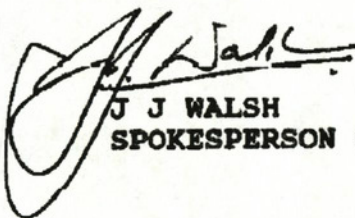
The Democratic Party is concerned at the lack of progress being made in negotiations at local or third tier level of government. It is our view that:

1. Negotiations for a new dispensation for local government are not receiving a high priority at the Multi Party Negotiating Forum.
2. The Local Government Negotiating Forum does not represent all political parties and organisations.
3. Attempts to establish Local Government Negotiating Forums in cities, towns and villages are being frustrated due to conflicting and inadequate information being received plus a lack of clear guidelines on how to proceed.
4. There is an urgent need to resolve the issue of local government representation prior to the negotiation of a new constitutional dispensation for local government. It is furthermore of vital importance to address the issue of the lack of or poor services at local government level and to resolve the issue of payment for services rendered.

The Democratic Party accepts the need to include in the negotiation process people involved with local government but believes the lead must be taken in the Multi Party Negotiating Forum.

You are earnestly requested to place the issue of local government on the agenda.

Yours faithfully



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