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Mr Theuns Eloff Technical Committee on Constitutional Matters Multi-party Negotiations World Trade Centre KEMPTON PARK

Dear mr Eloff

INTERIM CONSTITUTION : ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

The General Council of the Bar urgently wishes to make a contribution to the debate on the formulation of that part of the interim constitution which deals with the administration of justice. We are co-operating with the Association of Law Societies who would like to make a similar contribution. are moreover in contact with a number of judges of the Supreme Court anxious to give their input and frustrated at their inability to do so in a meaningful way. We would greatly appreciate it if your committee were to see its way clear to permit us to create an opportunity for the bench, the bar and the attorneys to make a contribution in this regard.

May we suggest that it be done as follows. We could at relatively short notice arrange a meeting after hours or perhaps over a weekend, of representatives of the bench, bar and attorneys with members of your committee. We have in mind inviting the Chief Justice, those other judges of the Appellate and Provincial Divisions who have displayed a particular interest in constitutional matters, and a few representatives of the bar and attorneys' professions with similar interests. The purpose of the meeting would be for the members of your committee to inform us of the basic structure you have in mind, and for us then to have an opportunity to give you the benefit of our views. The discussion would perhaps be even more meaningful if you were able to provide us with the broad outline of the structure that your committee has in mind so that we may properly focus our preparation and discussion.

We must emphasise however that we do not have any fixed ideas about the way in which our representations are to be made and would obviously wish to accommodate your committee as best we can. We do however feel strongly that the bench, the bar and the attorneys have a very special interest and expertise in matters affecting the administration of justice and should therefore be afforded an opportunity to make a meaningful contribution. The mere opportunity to make written representations in the abstract, would not suffice.

Yours sincerely

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