

**Submission by the African National Congress to the Technical Committees on Fundamental Rights and Constitutional Issues - 12/11/93**

The African National Congress requests that consideration be given to the inclusion in the Interim Constitution of the following :-

- i) members of religious faiths shall be free to regulate relationships within the family, on a voluntary basis, in accordance with the principles and laws of their faith, provided that they do not violate the rights of others.
- ii) Legislation may provide for the recognition of religious personal family law within the framework of the Chapter of Fundamental Rights and appropriate legislation by Parliament.
- iii) Legislation shall provide for the equal status of all marriages performed by recognised religious officers to be acknowledged.