

24 May 1993

**MEMORANDUM  
TO ALL REGIONAL POLICY DEPARTMENTS  
FROM SECRETARIAT**

**RE THE ISSUING PRESS STATEMENTS**

Some confusion seems to have arisen as to who has the authority to speak on behalf of the ANC within the various structures.

The procedures for issuing press statements and comment are as follows:

- \* comment by policy departments on regional issues should be referred to DIP Press Liaison for final drafting and checking by the regional office bearers. While the drafting of such comment is welcomed, it should be issued from the regional office.
- \* comment on national issues should, likewise, be referred to DIP Press Liaison who will refer it to the national office. The region may comment only on issues affecting the ANC Western Cape.

This is the procedure followed and prescribed by DIP HQ and is necessary in order to avoid the obvious pitfalls of contradictory statements appearing in the press and damaging the image of the organisation.

Thank you for your co-operation.

**Tony Yengeni**  
Secretary

**Willie Hofmeyr**  
Assistant Secretary