



Thursday  
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The Chairman  
Conference for a Democratic South Africa  
Task Group  
Sub Committee No 3 on Broadcasting  
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Dear Sir

THE PRINT MEDIA

The Newspaper Press Union of South Africa (the "NPU") is a voluntary association of some 214 publications throughout the country and broadly represents the printed media in Southern Africa. Naturally the NPU is following with concern and interest the important work being done by Codesa. To the extent that Codesa's task and your committee's in particular extends to consideration of the role of the printed media in a changing South Africa the NPU would, of course, be anxious to furnish you and Codesa with any necessary information, comment or representations.

Up to the present it has been our understanding that Codesa has only been concerned with the activities of the electronic media in a transitional phase towards a new constitution. However we have noticed that certain political parties and institutions have submitted comment and recommendations also covering the print media.

This letter is addressed to you to seek your assurance and confirmation that Codesa will indeed focus only on the role of the electronic media during an interim phase pending a new





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constitution. If your committee is in any way concerned with the actions of the print media, please let me know so that input can be furnished. If not, may we assume that commentary or recommendations given to you by any other body on print media issues, will be ignored by Codesa until the situation changes and the NPU is duly informed thereof.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours faithfully

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