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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE DAILY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING WITH THE GAC HELD ON TUESDAY 21 APRIL 1992 AT 16H00 AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE

PRESENT:

See Addendum A

APOLOGIES:

M Maharaj (Secretariat)

R Meyer (DMC)

Bophuthatswana Government representative MYK Bassier (Labour Party representative)

Venda Government representative

Chairperson's opening remarks

The chairperson, Z Titus, welcomed the delegates of the GAC and introduced the chairperson of the DMC who introduced the members of the DMC present at the meeting. The delegates of the GAC then introduced themselves to the DMC. It was noted that the main purpose of the meeting was for the GAC to outline any problems they may have and put forward any suggestions or recommendations to the DMC.

Apologies

The following apologies were noted:

M Maharaj (Secretariat) R Meyer (DMC)

Delegates of the following parties/organisations to the GAC were not present at the meeting:

The Bophuthatswana Government
The Labour Party
The Venda Government

The following apologies for late arrival to the meeting were noted:

FT Mdlalose (DMC) SS van der Merwe (Secretariat) J Zuma (DMC)

Outline of work completed since 6 April 1992

- 3.1 It was noted that the GAC has had two Plenary sessions and one Steering Committee meeting since 6 April 1992.
- 3.2 The meetings have focused on procedural matters and certain suggestions, recommendations and requests have emerged.

4. Requested amendments to The Terms of Reference

- 4.1 Item 1.2 of the Terms of Reference on Composition refers.
 - 4.1.1 The GAC is requesting an amendment to the composition of the GAC with the effect that Item 1.2 would read "Each participant of Codesa shall nominate one delegate and one adviser with the right of substitution, to serve on the GAC".
 - 4.1.2 It was noted that the DMC was meeting immediately after this meeting and would deal with some of the requests put forward by the GAC at the DMC level and refer those that fall under the MC to the meeting of the MC on 27 April 1992. It was further noted that an amendment to The Terms of Reference requires formal ratification by the MC.
 - 4.1.3 It was noted that the full GAC supports this request.
- 4.2 Item 2 of The Terms of Reference refers.
 - 4.2.1 Amendments recommended by the GAC:
 - * Item 2.3 should become Item 2.4.
 - * The following should then be inserted as Item 2.3 "The GAC should be in a position to, through access to Working Group agendas, be able to impact before decisions/agreements are reached by the Working Groups".
 - * An Item 2.5 should also be inserted to read "The advice of the GAC on gender issues should appear formally on the agendas of the Working Groups to ensure that the advice of the GAC is considered by the Working Groups".
 - * The GAC are requesting the above amendments to their Terms of Reference so as to have more of an impact and an influence on decisions and agreements reached in respect of matters which may have gender implications.
 - 4.2.2 It was noted, by the DMC, that the GAC should be aware that it is not always clear from Working Group agendas where gender implications could arise within the discussions of the Working Group meetings.
 - 4.2.3 It was suggested, by the DMC, that meetings should possibly be arranged between the chairpersons of the Working Groups or the Working Group Steering Committees with the Steering Committee of the GAC so that the GAC can make the Working Groups aware of what sort of issues to look out for in respect of gender implications.

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This would reduce the number of gender sensitive issues that are discussed without prior consultation with the GAC.

- 4.2.4 It was noted, by the DMC, that the GAC should be aware of distinguishing between matters of procedure and matters of principle.
- 4.2.5 It was recommended, by the DMC, that the GAC look at agreements and decisions already reached by the relevant Codesa structures and consider whether there are there any gender implications in respect of such decisions. If any assistance is required, in this regard, the Secretariat would assist.

4.3 Item 4 of the Terms of Reference refers:

- 4.3.1 The GAC requested that Working Groups should respond to all advice given, formally. The GAC need to know that the Working Groups are discussing their advice. In this way the GAC would be incorporated fully into the Codesa structures.
- 4.3.2 It was suggested by the DMC that Item 4 of The Terms of Reference should not be amended as the point has been left open for modalities and procedures to be worked out as the need arises.
- 4.3.3 It was noted that there is a need for interaction between the GAC and the various Working Groups so as to give effect to what is already set out in Item 4.1. Meetings would be organised for this purpose.
- 4.3.4 It was noted that the DMC is committed to facilitate the work of GAC in any way possible.

5. The question of language in Codesa

- 5.1 The GAC requested that recognition be given to non-sexist language at Codesa.
- 5.2 It was suggested, by the DMC, that a circular could possibly be sent out in this regard to all participants at Codesa. Other mechanisms to give effect to this request could be further explored by the Secretariat.

6. Functioning of the GAC

- 6.1 The GAC reported that it had reached consensus on how it should function. The consensus agreement is that the GAC delegates should function as political persons as they each represent individual political parties. The fact that gender issues run through political party affiliation was noted. The need for gender issues to be considered also at the level of political parties was further noted.
- 6.2 The DMC noted that this decision was something that the GAC should finalise within themselves as it was not a decision to be taken to the DMC.

7. Request for a permanent minute taker and secretary

It was noted that the Administration would probably allocate, to the GAC, by Monday 27 April 1992, a permanent secretary and minute taker.

8. Submissions

- 8.1 The GAC have requested that any outstanding submissions by Working Group representatives, as referred to in documents already received by the GAC, be made available.
- 8.2 The Chairperson of the GAC is to submit a list of submissions required.

9. Office Space

- 9.1 The GAC requested an office for the sole use of the GAC.
- 9.2 This was agreed to by the DMC.

10. Rapporteurs

The GAC have requested clarification on the role of rapporteurs in Codesa. The Administration would assist in this regard.

11. Participation of women at Codesa 2

- 11.1 It was suggested by DMC that the GAC confer with their individual parties in this respect and submit to the DMC a firm proposal. It was agreed that the GAC would not be represented separately at Codesa 2.
- The GAC also requested that the MC takes this issue up with the political parties on behalf of the GAC with a view to accommodating women within the present arrangements.

12. Guidance on priorities for Codesa 2 and time frames

- 12.1 The GAC has requested guidance on direction to be aware of what vital areas to cover.
- 12.2 It was noted that the GAC would attend the next meeting between the DMC and WGSC's which would accommodate this request. The Secretariat and the Administration would liaise with the GAC in this regard.

13. Overview of the meeting

The following was noted:

- * There is a need for the GAC and DMC to confer before each meeting and to have a properly drafted agenda. The GAC chairperson and DMC chairperson should liaise with each other re the agenda for each meeting.
- * There is a need for the GAC to decide before each meeting with the DMC what sort of issues

need to be placed before the DMC.

* There is a continued need for an interaction and sharing of ideas between the GAC and the DMC.

14. Closure

- 14.1 The DMC requested that the GAC submit a formal written proposal containing all their requests, suggestions and recommendations that the GAC require the DMC to consider. It was noted that the DMC chairperson would communicate formally with the Chairperson of the GAC in respect of all requests, suggestions and recommendations that the GAC have put before the DMC at this meeting.
- 14.2 The chairperson thanked the delegates of the GAC for having shared their ideas with the DMC.
- 14.3 The GAC thanked the DMC and the Secretariat for their time and requested that the contact be maintained.
- 14.4 The date of the next meeting would be decided on between the chairpersons of the GAC and the DMC.

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Addendum A

Organisation/Party

GAC Chairperson

ANC

Ciskei Government
Democratic Party
Dikwankwetla Party
Inkatha Freedom Party
Intando Yesizwe Party
Inyandza National Movement

NIC/TIC National Party

National People's Party

Solidarity Party

South African Communist Party South African Government Transkei Government United People's Front Ximoko Progressive Party

DMC Chairperson

DMC

DMC

DMC

DMC DMC

DMC

Secretariat

Secretary Minute Taker

Delegate/Member

M Manzini F Adam SN Sonjica G Noero K Ngwenya N Brits FT Sithole FS Baloi E Ramgobin J Hunter A Rambarran M Reddy Z Kota A Routier LN Jajula MM Cheue

PJ Gordhan ZJ de Beer P Hendrickse FT Mdlalose SS Ripinga

LB Kubay

Z Titus (Chairperson for this meeting)

J Zuma

SS van der Merwe

T Eloff G Hutchings