

PEOPLE'S PROGRESSIVE PARTY

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MEMORANDUM

We the People of Bophuthatswana, under the banner of the People's Progressive Party (PPP) are concerned about the future of our country South Africa. We fully support the holding of the Convention for a Democratic South Africa (CODESA) which ushered a new era in the political history of our country. In our view, this is yet another victory for the struggling masses of our country.

Further, that serious negotiations involve a transfer of power to the people and that, the De Klerk regime is not prepared to be negotiated out of power. The latest revelations on government corruption and death squads finally vindicates the long held view that the key obstacle to democratisation and peace in our country is F.W. De Klerk's government. We do not believe that this government of professional thieves and assassins is capable of presiding over the transition process. We demands an Interim Government of National Unity and elections to a Constituent Assembly by the end of this year.

Once more, for the forum to produce a meaningful solution to the problem tearing our country apart, we are saying it is an indisputable that Lucas Manyane Mangope's arrogant behaviour in Codesa is not representative of the people of Bophuthatswana. The forum must realise this fact and that on his stance, Mangope is not enjoying our support.

Against this background we demand:-

- * The unconditional re-incorporation of Bophuthatswana into South Africa, our beloved Motherland;
- * That the ban imposed on the People's Progressive Party be lifted with immediate effect;
- * A climate of free political activity for all political organisations including the PPP and ANC must exist in Bophuthatswana;
- * A guaranteed safe return of Mr Rocky Malebana-Metsing, Chief Lebone Molotlegi, Chief Samuel Mankuroane and all other political exiles to Bophuthatswana;
- * That Timothy Phiri and all other political prisoners in Bophuthatswana must be released;
- * Police killings and torture sponsored by the South African budget aid and military support coupled with joint policing must end. Pretoria should use its economic/material support to bring Bophuthatswana to order;
- * Mangope must stop retrenching workers and replacing them with foreigners. The recent example is the Bafokeng Platinum Mines where people are being replaced by Mozambicans and
- * Finally, we demand Codesa to use its influence to meet the people's demands.

The PPP and all political structures remain committed to the peaceful resolution of the political process in this country.

We the people of Bophuthatswana continue to be deprived by Mangope's regime whose continued resistance and term of office is highly questionable. Mangope's regime lack legitimacy to govern.

Let all those who value freedom, justice and peace support us.

THE PEOPLE SHALL GOVERN!