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Dear Dr de Beer,

REPRESENTATIONS TO CODESA FROM THE CHINESE COMMUNITY

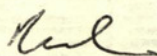
We have followed with great interest the work of CODESA in providing the forum and framework for negotiations on a new political dispensation for South Africa. As South Africans, the Chinese community is vitally interested in all developments. In particular, we have noted press reports on the structures of CODESA, and groups to whom membership should be extended.

The Chinese Association of South Africa is the representative association for the Chinese community. It is not a political party, but has functioned as the mouthpiece of the community in all dealings on the political level. Since there are only some 15 000 Chinese in South Africa, they cannot be regarded as a major player in the political debates ahead. Nevertheless, the community wishes to express its views on possible solutions as it believes it is the unique position of having interfaced with all sectors of South Africa's population over past decades.

When you believe the time is opportune, the Chinese Association of South Africa would appreciate the opportunity to address CODESA at some stage in its deliberations.

I look forward to hearing from you in this regard.

Yours sincerely,



RODNEY MAN
CHAIRMAN