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**RESOLUTION ON THE NEED FOR
THE RESUMPTION/COMMENCEMENT OF MULTI-PARTY NEGOTIATIONS**

We, the parties, organisations and administrations assembled in this the Multi-party Planning Conference:

AWARE of the responsibility we individually and collectively bear for the wellbeing of our country;

BELIEVING that the problems of our country should be resolved peacefully through a process of negotiation;

REALISING the urgent need for the economic development of the country;

AGREEING that the resources of the country need to be preserved, developed and improved for the benefit of all the people of this country and for future generations;

ACCEPTING that all the people of this country and the whole community of nations throughout the world look to us to move the country forward towards a non-racial, non-sexist and fully democratic future;

NOW RESOLVE TO:

1. Commit ourselves, individually and collectively, to the resumption/commencement of multi-party negotiations within the next month, in order to move as speedily as possible towards the attainment of our primary objective, which is the drafting and adoption of a new Constitution for South Africa;

AND FURTHER RESOLVES THAT:

2. The multi-party forum shall be reconvened as a matter of national urgency, not later than 5 April 1993;
3. Each participating organisation will send two delegates and two advisers.
4. The first meeting will determine, inter alia:
 - 4.1 mechanisms and procedures (including chairpersonship);
 - 4.2 how to accommodate the views of those participants who were not in CODESA in relation to the agreements reached in CODESA;
 - 4.3 how these agreements can serve as a constructive foundation for the resumed/completed negotiations process to build on;
 - 4.4 how this forum shall be structured and named;
 - 4.5 the role of the international community.
5. The Facilitating Committee of this conference will have the responsibility of deciding upon and implementing the steps that are necessary to give effect to this resolution.
6. All participants are required to make an unqualified commitment to this process as a pre-requisite for their participation.

RESOLUTION ON VIOLENCE

The Multi-Party Negotiations Planning Conference expresses its utmost indignation and condemnation for the despicable murder of 10 innocent people which took place on Table Mountain, Pietermaritzburg, on 5 March 1993. This unspeakable crime has taken place at a time when all the political parties, organisations and administrations of South Africa have finally joined together once again to express their commitment to address and solve South Africa's problems through negotiations. Irrespective of their political affiliation, the victims of this massacre have fallen prey to a climate of escalating violence which could jeopardise the success of negotiations. The Multi-Party Negotiations Planning Conference reiterates its unwavering rejection of all instances of political violence and actions leading to the promotion of violence. We offer our condolences to all those who have suffered deeply and commit ourselves to work relentlessly to end the violence, promote law and order and bring about a climate of peace, inter alia, through constitutional negotiations.

Decision of the Facilitating Committee on the process of decision-making in this Planning Conference and the Facilitating Committee

- 1 All decisions are to be taken by general consensus.
- 2 If this cannot be achieved, conference will use the method of sufficient consensus.
- 3 This means that:
 - * there is a lack of general consensus;
 - * there is enough agreement from enough participants to enable the process to move forward;
 - * parties who disagree can record their objections or rejections formally, but will, in the spirit of co-operation, not hinder the process to go forward.
- 4 The ruling that there is consensus/sufficient consensus or not, should be taken by the chair in his/her discretion. This can, however, be challenged by any party who disagrees. The meeting will then deal with it as is appropriate.