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**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL GROUP ON DISCRIMINATORY LEGISLATION OF THE GENDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE ON 8 JUNE 1992.**

PRESENT: VT Gqiba Ciskei Government  
 G Noero Democratic Party  
 J Hunter National Party  
 J Quince South African Communist Party  
 A Routier South African Government  
 CJ Roscher South African Government  
 D Dowling Transkei Government

M du Plessis (Minutes)

**1. Report back to the Gender Advisory Committee meeting at 14:00**

1.1 It was decided by the group that J Quince would make the presentation of the document on identified legislation with a view to the transitional period to the meeting of the GAC. This document, after being discussed by the GAC meeting, would be finalised.

**2. Identified legislation**

2.1 A document containing the different legislation as identified by the group were presented. This document was drafted by J Hunter, D Björkman and G Noero. After members attending the Steering Committee Meeting left, the document was discussed under the leadership of V Gqiba.

2.2 The meeting decided to ad to the Referent : "TBVC States legislation to be harmonised" of Specific Principles: "Women will have equal contractual capacity", that specific attention should be given to different legislation of the TBVC States so as to pick up some improved legislation that have been completed.

2.3 Under Specific Principles: "Equal standing before the law", the Referent which reads: "Husband as head of the family", it was recommended that this should be deleted.

2.4 Under specific principles: "Individual right to give consent", the Referent: "Rape within marriage" the members recommended that this should stay.

2.5 Under specific principles: "Equal standing in law", the Referent: "Unmarried women are excluded from pregnancy benefits" it was asked why there should be a difference between married and unmarried people, and if the law should be a moral judge.

3. The meeting adjourned.