

20 February 1992

Ref: 1126/EFB

Mr Hlongwane

re: CODESA POLITICAL PRISONERS

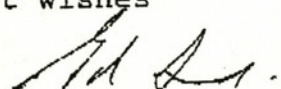
Mr D Dalling is the Chairman of Work Group 1, Subgroup 1 which is dealing with political prisoners. I have raised the matter of ex ANC detainees at the meeting held on Monday 17th February 1992, and it was agreed that a written submission would be received from your committee. You are entitled to request that you be allowed to present a verbal submission as well.

There are 19 delegates present in Work Group 1, Subgroup 1 so that you should prepare at least 19 reports. Usually the newspapers also want copies so that it would be a good idea to make an extra 10 copies for the newspapers.

The Address of Codesa is:-

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Best wishes



Ed Benard

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Codesa
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Dear Sir

re: POLITICAL PRISONERS/EXILES

The members of the ex ANC detainees committee request permission to submit a written and a verbal submission to Codesa on the above matters.

Specifically we request that our grievances be addressed which are as follows:-

1. The MK claims to be a liberation army and therefore the war crimes committed by the MK must be prosecuted.
2. We have suffered as a consequence of ANC/MK actions, eg. torture, incarceration etc. The ANC/MK must pay reparations to us and to the families of those who were murdered by the ANC/MK.
3. Many of our comrades lie buried in foreign lands. We wish that the ANC/MK will bring our comrades home to rest in peace in the land of their birth.
4. We believe that the ANC/MK are still holding political prisoners outside of South Africa. The South African Government has an obligation to care for it's citizens, and we demand that those who are still held prisoner should be released. The SA Government must secure the release of all ANC political prisoners held in foreign lands, and if necessary, the assistance of the UN and the international community must be solicited to execute this task.

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In support of our application we append the attached relevant facts.

Yours faithfully

Pat Hlongwane
Chairman

Chairman: Pat Hlongwane
Secretary: Sipholaliso
Treasurer: Sipho Ngema

Others

Sphiwe Muzilombo
Keke Kheswa
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John Bester
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TO.

THE WORKING GROUP 1.
CODESA
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1600.

DEAR MR. D. DALLING.

CODESA POLITICAL PRISONERS

WE ARE VERY GLAD TO RECEIVE A LETTER FROM YOU WHICH INFORM THE COMMITTEE TO PRESENT A VERBAL SUBMISSION AS WELL' PERTAINING THE (CODESA) BPOLITICAL PRISONERS.

WE WOULD LIKE TO BE REPRESENTED BY THE(CHAIRMAN) OF THE COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS THE CODESA GROUP 2.

WE ALSO INCLUDE THE SUBSEQUENT POINTS WHICH WOULD BE A PART OF PRESENTATION FROM THE COMMITTEE.

SPOCIFICALLY WE REQUEST THAT OUR GRIEVANCES BE ADDRESSED WHICH ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

1. THE MK CLAIMS TO BE A LIBERATION ARMY AND THEREFORE THE WAR CRIMES COMMITTED BY THE MK MUST BE PROSECUTED.
2. WE HAVE SUFFERED AS A CONSEQUENCES OF A.N.C./MK. ACTIONS'eg. TORTURE' INCARCERATION etc. THE A.N.C./MK MUST PAY REPARATIONS TO US AND TO THE FAMILLIES OF THOSE WHO WERE MURDERED BY THE A.N.C./MK.
3. MANY OF OUR COMRADES LIE BURIED IN FOREIGN LANDS. WE WISH THAT THE A.N.C./MK WILL BRING OUR COMRADES HOME TO REST IN PEACE IN THE LAND OF THEIR BIRTH.
4. WE BELIEVE THAT THE A.N.C./MK ARE STILL HOLDING POLITICAL PRISONERS OUTSIDE OF SOUTH AFRICA. THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT HAS AN OBLIGATION TO CARE FOR ITS CITIZENS' AND WE DEMAND THAT THOSE WHO ARE STILL HELD PRISONERS SHOULD BE RELEASED. THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT MUST SECURE THE RELEASE OF ALL A.N.C. POLITICAL PRISONERS HELD IN FOREIGN LANDS AND IF

NECESSARY' THE ASSISTANCE OF THE (U.N.) AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY MUST SOLICITED TO EXECUTE THIS TASK.

WE ARE ALSO CALLING TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO INTERVEN IN THE RELEASE OF MR.KATIZA CEBEKHULU.

YOURS FAITHFULLY.

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE RETURNED EXILES COMMITTEE.

MR. PAT HLONGWANE.

DATE: 24th FEBRUARY 1992. TIME; 9am.

SIGNED BY.  ---