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ATTENTION: THE EDITOR
FROM: CODESA SECRETARIAT
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RE: LETTER TO THE EDITOR
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Dear Editor

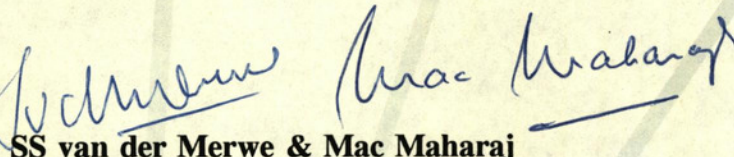
Please find attached a letter from the Secretariat of CODESA which we would request that you publish in full, in a prominent position in your Letters to the Editor column.

In view of time constraints, we would appreciate your publishing this letter as soon as possible.

Kindly fax to us a copy of the published letter, as it appears in your column.

Finally, we would appreciate your indicating any other way in which your newspaper may be used to encourage participation in CODESA.

Yours sincerely


SS van der Merwe & Mac Maharaj
CODESA SECRETARIAT

Dear Editor

CODESA is an important forum for finding a peaceful resolution to our country's problems and a way to a democratic South Africa.

By decision of the preparatory meeting which launched CODESA, it was agreed that only bona fide political parties/organisations and administrations should be accorded full participant status.

At the same time the organisers of CODESA wish to encourage the greatest possible participation by all interest groups from every walk of life. Provision has been made for all interest groups to make submissions to the five Working Groups of CODESA in order that these are taken into account in the deliberations of the Working Groups.

We wish to take this opportunity to invite and encourage South African interest groups to make written submissions to the responsible Working Group on matters relevant to its Terms of Reference.

The five Working Groups established by CODESA 1 are:

Working Group 1: According to its Terms of Reference it will be dealing with the following two issues:

- a) Creation of a climate for free political participation, and
- b) The role of the international community.

Working Group 2: Which addresses :

- a) General constitutional principles
- b) Constitution making body/process.

Working Group 3: Which is required to address the issue of Transitional Arrangements/Interim Governments/Transitional Authority.

Working Group 4: Dealing with the question of the future of the TVBC States (ie Transkei, Venda, Boputhatswana and Ciskei)

Working Group 5: Time Frames and the implementation of CODESA decisions.

The full Terms of Reference are for each Working Group available from the Secretariat of CODESA:

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We would appreciate it if submissions reach us on or before 2 March 1992.

Yours Sincerely



CODESA Secretariat