

COMMENT & OPINION

# Communists at Codesa

The State President, Mr F W de Klerk, told his countrymen this week that he was not unduly worried about communism, since it was a dying and discredited creed that would not be in a position to grow in South Africa.

Communism, he said, would not survive without the support mechanisms it formerly got from the Soviet Union and other Eastern Block countries. Communism would be like a fish on

dry land - it would not be able to breathe and would assuredly die.

Only time will tell whether his assessment is correct. But, regardless of whether he is ultimately proved right or wrong, what cannot be gainsaid is that the communist fish is alive and well right now and thoroughly enjoying the waters at CODESA.

The South African Communist Party is clearly dominant in the ranks of

the ANC. And it is also playing a key role in the Natal Indian Congress (NIC) and in the Transvaal Indian Congress (TIC), two bodies that one might describe as seeking to act as mahouts to the ANC.

Let us have a closer look at SACP members in the ranks of the ANC and the NIC/TIC delegations to CODESA working groups. Those who are believed to be members of the Communist Party are identified by the letters CP after their names:

### WORKING GROUP 1

#### ANC

- Joe Modise (delegate) CP
- Jacob Zuma (delegate) CP
- Penuell Maduna (advisor) CP
- Kader Asmal (advisor) CP

#### NIC/TIC

- Moe Shaik (delegate) CP
- Mosey Molla (delegate) CP
- Billy Nair (advisor) CP
- Nishen Bolton (advisor) SACP

- Essop Pahad (delegate)
- Ronnie Kasrils (delegate)
- G Baleni (advisor)
- F Baleni (advisor)

### WORKING GROUP 2

#### ANC

- Cyril Ramaphosa (dele-

- gate) CP
- Mohammed Vaili Mousa (delegate) CP
- Frene Ginwala (advisor) CP
- Arthur Chaskalson (advisor) CP

#### NIC/TIC

- Yunis Mahomed (delegate)
- Firoz Cachalia (delegate) CP
- IC Meer (advisor) CP
- Albie Sachs (advisor) CP

#### SACP

- Joe Slovo (delegate)
- Blade Nzimande (delegate)
- Neela Hussein (advisor)
- Enver Daniels (advisor)

### WORKING GROUP 3

#### ANC

- Thabo Mbeki (delegate) CP
- Joe Nhlantla (delegate) CP
- Jeel Netshitenza (advisor) CP
- Dullah Omar (advisor) CP

#### TIC/NIC

- P Gurdham (delegate) CP
- N C Patel (delegate)
- Ivan Pillay (advisor)
- Ismail Aboo Baker (advisor)

#### SACP

- Jeremy Cronin (delegate)
- Nozizwe Madlala (delegate)
- Ray Suttner (advisor)
- James Ngculu (advisor)

### WORKING GROUP 4

#### ANC

- Alfred Nzo (delegate) CP
- Matthew Phosa (delegate)
- Barbara Masekela (advisor) CP
- Pius Langa (advisor) CP

#### NIC/TIC

- Paul David (delegate)
- Car Saloojee (delegate)
- Yunis Carrim (advisor)
- JoAnne Yawitch (advisor)

#### SACP

- Sydney Mufamadi
- Thenjwe Mhiso
- Lucy Nvembwe
- Smtuis Nkonyama

### WORKING GROUP 5

#### ANC

- Pallo Jordan (delegate) CP
- Zola Skweyiya (delegate) CP
- Lucille Meyer (advisor) CP
- George Bizos (advisor)

#### TIC/NIC

- Yusuf Yuwda (delegate) CP

- Hassan Ebrahim (delegate)
- Farouk Meer (advisor)
- Saïim Aziz (advisor)

#### SACP

- Dipoo Mvelase (delegate)
- Chris Dlamini (delegate)
- Humphrey Maxegwana (advisor)
- Amos Masondo (advisor)

South African Communist Party members who serve on CODESA steering committees are as follows:

### WORKING GROUP 1

- Kader Asmal
- Essop Pahad

### WORKING GROUP 2

- Mohammed Vaili Mousa
- Joe Slovo

### WORKING GROUP 3

- Thabo Mbeki

### WORKING GROUP 5

- Zola Skweyiya
- Dipoo Mvelase

The SACP, despite its legal status in South Africa, remains a highly secretive organisation. It is this possible that there are even more SACP members within CODESA.

## DP MP and mental acrobatics

Mr Justice Page has found that allegations that policemen and military police were members of hit squads which murdered Chief Mhlambuzima were lies.

Now that their name has been cleared by the Supreme Court, it is vital that the South African Police vigorously pursue their investigations into who it was who committed this dastardly murder.

They need to do so not only to bring the murderers to book, but also to establish who it was who so professionally set out to smear the reputation of the police.

The Democratic Party's Member of Parliament for Greytown, Mr Fiere

Cronje, owes the public an explanation about his role in the affair.

Mr Justice Page said that Mr Cronje had, for some reason best known to himself, been at pains to try to minimise the conflicts between his evidence and that of Mr Madlala and had performed some "odd mental acrobatics in the process of doing so." This, said the Judge, only served to reinforce the Court's view that where Mr Cronje had found himself compelled to testify in direct contradiction to Mr Madlala, he had told the truth.

Clearly, Mr Cronje needs to tell the public the reasons why he performed his mental acrobatics.

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