

MEMO TO: HASSEN EBRAHIM

FROM: EDWARD SHALALA

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Re: Community Liaison-briefing paper for Constitutional Assembly session on Monday 31 October 1994 at 2.15 pm

1. Issue - Budget detail

Response - SACS to give more detailed proposals with more detailed budget by noon on 3 November 1994.

2. Issue - Rural areas and other areas inaccessible to the media - Community facilitation programme is possible. To avoid the creation of permanent structures and levels of unaccountability it would be preferable if such a project were undertaken by the Constitutional Assembly in conjunction with the private sector, NGOs and the Department of Justice.

3. 15.2.6 Public Information Facility page 51CA - Toll-free service in drag - We are not wedded to this programme and if it becomes a sacrificial lamb the programme as a whole will not be fundamentally affected.

4. When does the community liaison programme begin? - When detailed proposals of programmes have been adopted. Emphasise the need for proper planning and the setting up of infrastructure. ^{Theme} committees should be discouraged from beginning programmes unilaterally or acting in an ad hoc fashion. The community liaison programme should be coherent and programmatic.

5. Issue - Urgency - Given the time constraints imposed by procedural issues, it is unlikely that the planning and implementation of a community liaison programme would begin before 10 January 1995.