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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 08H30 ON TUESDAY 10 DECEMBER AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE

#### PRESENT:

#### Delegates

R Cronje/SG Mothibe (Bophutatswana Government) Z de Beer (chair) CW Eglin (DP) WS Felgate/BS Ngubane (IFP) PJ Gordhan (Natal/Transvaal Indian Congress) PAC Hendrickse/K Lategan (Labour Party) HJS Kayser/M B Webb (Ciskei Government) PMH Maduna (INM) MJ Mahlangu (UPF) NJ Mahlangu (IYP) S Makhuvha (Venda Government) R Meyer (National Party) EPP Mhinga (XPP) TJ Mohapi (Dikwankwetla Party) I Omar (Solidarity) A Rajbansi (NPP) MC Ramaphosa (ANC) Z Titus (Transkei Government) G Viljoen/SS van der Merwe (Government)

#### Secretariat

T Eloff P Saxby (minutes)

#### 1. OPENING AND WELCOME

In his capacity as chairperson, Mr de Beer opened the meeting by welcoming the delegates present.

#### 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were noted, and it was agreed that these would be adopted, subject to appropriate amendments, at the next meeting of the Steering Committee.

#### 2.2 Matters arising

Regarding the matter of the inclusion of the King of the Zulus in the CODESA process, and noting pages 99 and 100 of the transcript of proceedings on 29/30 November, it was agreed that the IFP should make an appropriate representation to the Secretariat which should, in turn, report back to the Steering Committee on the subject as soon as possible.

#### 3. SECRETARIAT REPORT

Given that most of the recommendations included in this report would be dealt with by Task Group 1, the Secretariat Report was received and noted.

#### 4. TASK GROUPREPORTS

#### 4.1 Task Group 1

The recommendations tabled by Task Group I were approved, subject to the following amendments:

\* It was noted that four travel agencies will share the responsibility for CODESA 1 travel and accommodation arrangements. They are as follows:

CLUB TRAVEL: Contact Lynn

Tel: 021-439-9062 Fax: 021-439-0704

FLYWELL TRAVEL: Contact Mr Bobat

Tel: 031-305-5263 Fax: 031-304-4112

NED TRAVEL: Contact Angie van Schoor

Tel: 012-323-3506 Fax: 012-323-1353

ORIOLE TRAVEL: Contact Fancinette Zeederberg

Tel: 011-838-6541/5 Fax: 011-838-7906

\* It was noted that Task Group! had been extensively briefed as to the political role of the sub-committees for Protocol, Media and Security, the co-convenors of which are as follows:

+ Protocol: M Myeni (IFP) and JL Mahlangu (IYP)
+ Media: P Coetzer (NP) and S Macozoma (ANC)

+ Security: V Ntsubane (Transkei) and J Scheepers (Government)

Parties/governments/organisations may inform the administrative office who their representatives on the three sub-committees will be.

- Paragraph 10 now reads as follows:
  - "Regarding invitations to religious representatives, it was agreed that it should be recommended to the Steering Committee that the South African Catholic Bishops' Conference should be invited to send a representative to CODESA 1 to join the other five religious representatives already invited."
- Paragraph 11 now reads as follows:
  - + "It was agreed that it should be recommended to the Steering Committee that each participating party/organisation/government should be provided with a furnished office at the World Trade Centre."

\* Regarding back-up/support staff, it was agreed that each delegation to CODESA 1 would be allowed five plenary session advisors/assistants and nine back-up/office staff.

It was noted that travel and accommodation costs for back-up/support staff for the delegates to CODESA 1 will be for the account of the parties/organisations themselves. These staff members will, however, be provided with lunches, dinners and refreshments during the course of all proceedings leading up to and including the plenary session of CODESA 1.

It was agreed that Mr M Maharaj and Mr S van der Merwe should be appointed as signatories for the CODESA account.

Regarding the appointment of administrative/secretarial staff to the office of the secretariat, it was agreed that parties/organisations/governments should inform the managing secretariat if they have people available.

Mr A Rajbansi advised the Steering Committee that the invitation to a representative of the Hindu religion to attend CODESA 1 should be addressed to Pundit Nardev Vedalankar.

The phone number, fax number and address for CODESA 1 were noted as follows:

Phone:

(011)3971198/9

Fax:

(011)3972211

Address:

PO Box 307 ISANDO 1600

#### 4.2 Task Group3

It was agreed that the CODESA 1 proceedings should be opened by the Chief Justice, who should then call upon the appropriate religious representative/s to say a prayer before handing over to the two co-chairpersons.

It was agreed that the agenda and standing rules should be adopted before calling upon the leaders of parties/organisations/governments to speak, and that each leader should speak (in alphabetical order) for an absolute maximum of 15 minutes.

It was decided that the agenda proposed by Task Group 3 would be retained as a draft, to be revised at the next meeting of the Steering Committee, upon further recommendations by the Task Group.

It was noted that the matter of a press conference should be referred to the Sub-Committee for Media.

Regarding pages 2 and 3 of the report, it was noted that the Steering Committee:

accepts items i - ix;

accepts working groups 1 - 5 with the exception of item (3) in Group 2;

\* accepts that no further groups be established unless, at a later stage, CODESA raises the need for any additional matters to be considered.

Regarding page 4 of the report, the following was approved:

- \* item a, with the words in brackets deleted;
- items b,c and d with no amendments;
- \* item e, with the addition of "...which should set limits to such payments".

It was agreed that no action was needed on paragraphs 1 and 2 of page 5, and that the contents of paragraph 3 had already been addressed in terms of the report submitted by Task Group 1.

#### 4.3 Task Group2

This draft being incomplete, there was nothing to report.

#### 5. ADMINISTRATION

This matter having already been addressed, it was agreed that the meeting should proceed to the next item on the agenda.

#### 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Regarding the press leak and the article which appeared in the Sunday Times, it was decided that as far as all non-plenary sessions are concerned, no verbatim reports or transcripts will in future be circulated. It was agreed that this decision should be communicated to the two co-chairpersons by M Maharaj and S van der Merwe.

It was noted that the matter of security during the run-up to CODESA 1 should be referred to the Sub-Committee for Security.

The request for a schedule of meetings to be held was noted. This will be faxed to members.

It was agreed that the item on the CODESA 1 agenda dealing with constitutional issues will automatically include the question of self-determination, and that this question will not, therefore, require a special place on the agenda.

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting should be faxed to all delegates present, and that there would be no media statement following the meeting.

#### 7. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will take place at the World Trade Centre on Wednesday 18 December at 09h00. It was agreed that this meeting should be chaired by Dr Z de Beer for the purposes of maintaining continuity, but that there is no commitment to his chairmanship beyond December 20 and 21. Mr C Ramaphosa's comments in this regard were noted, with other issues in mind.

Eader ? 836-8366. Re-sed. Stærj som. minutes et 10/12. % Mr F. S. Mufamadi URGENT. (Ty got his-set.)