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RECOMMENDATIONS.WE (1)

WORKING GROUP ONE STEERING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Working Group 1 will undertake its tasks, within sub-groups constituted in terms of the following themes:

1. Assignment 1

1.1 "Completing the Reconciliation Process"

- (a) The finalisation of matters relating to the release of political prisoners and political trials
- (b) The return of exiles and their families
- (c) The amendment and/or repeal of any remaining laws militating against free political activity, including the elimination of all discriminatory legislation
- (q) Any other matters which the Working Group may consider relevant to its brief

1.2 "Continuing the Security and Socio-Economic Process"

- (d) Political intimidation
- (e) The termination of the use of military and/or violent means or the threat thereof of promoting the objectives/views of a political party or organisation
- (g) The successful implementation of the National Peace Accord
- (h) The prevention of violence-related crime and matters giving rise thereto
- (i) The composition and role of the security forces in South Africa and the TBVC states
- (m) The need for an improvement in socio-economic conditions
- (n) The fostering of a spirit of tolerance amongst political parties
- (o) The role of intensive and continuous educative and informative campaigns in respect of political tolerance, the working of democracy and the processes of CODESA
- (q) Any other matters which the Working Group may consider relevant to its brief

1.3 "Creating the Climate and Opportunity for Free Political Participation"

- (f) Political neutrality of, and fair access to, State-controlled/statutorily instituted media (particularly the SABC and SATV), including those of the TBVC states
- (j) The funding of political parties
- (k) The fair access to public facilities and meeting venues
- (l) The advisability of statutory provisions guaranteeing equal opportunity for all parties to establish and maintain their own means of mass communication
- (p) The advisability of fair and reasonable access for political parties to all potential voters, wherever they may reside
- (q) Any other matters which the Working Group may consider relevant to its brief
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- (o) The role of intensive and continuous educative and informative campaigns in respect of political tolerance, the working of democracy and the processes of CODESA
- (q) Any other matters which the Working Group may consider relevant to its brief

2. Assignment 2

Assignment 2 should be addressed on the basis that participating organisations may raise associated issues under Assignment 1, and that WGSC1 may, if necessary, activate a sub-group to deal specifically with Assignment 2