

AMAKHOSI CONFERENCE

14TH MAY 1992

RESOLUTION 1

We the Amakhosi of KwaZulu have gathered here today to hear what progress has been made in CODESA to admit a delegation from His Majesty, the King of the Zulu's, and from KwaZulu, to CODESA.

We are appalled to hear that no progress has been made. We are appalled that despite the repeated representations to the Honourable State President, Mr FW de Klerk, and despite expert evidence having been lead to the CODESA Management Committee's sub-committee appointed to investigate the matter, no progress has been made.

We the Amakhosi of KwaZulu resolve:

1. To inform the State President, Mr FW de Klerk, that we will not be party to the implementation of any CODESA decision to which we were not party, in the same way that the South African Government has reserved its right not to be party to the implementation of any CODESA decisions to which it was not party.
2. To inform the Management Committee of CODESA that we will not be party to the implementation of its decisions while we are not represented at CODESA.
3. To inform the Organisation of African Unity, the Commonwealth and the United Nations that unless His Majesty the King of the Zulus is made a participant in negotiations for the constitutional future of South Africa as were the kings of Lesotho, Ghana, Uganda and other states in Africa, KwaZulu will resist all attempts by outsiders to rewrite its constitution, redraw its boundaries and re-determine the structure of its authority.

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RESOLUTION 2

We the Amakhosi of KwaZulu gathered here today applaud the action of our Chief Minister in tirelessly pursuing the good of KwaZulu by seeking its inclusion in the proceedings of CODESA.

We resolve:

1. To take the unprecedented step of gathering the Amakhosi of KwaZulu and their Izinduna together in a meeting to praise the Prince of KwaPhindangene for his gallant efforts to gain representation at CODESA.
2. To take the unprecedented step to humbly call upon His Majesty to arrange an event, at His Majesty's pleasure, at which he could publicly thank his uncle, the Prince of Kwaphindangene, for making the enormous personal sacrifice at enormous political cost to himself, of being loyal to his King, by refusing to participate in the proceedings of CODESA unless His Majesty was an honoured participant in its proceedings.

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RESOLUTION 3

We the Amakhosi of KwaZulu gathered here today to declare to the whole world that:

1. We are descendants of a long line of heroes, heroines and martyrs. We will honour our ancestors by defending all the realms of KwaZulu against historically unjustified rejection in it not being made party to the decisions which affect its existence and its historic role in shaping the destiny of this country.
2. We are proud Amakhosi serving His Majesty the King of the Zulus who reigns over his fathers people. We serve him in memory of the long line of illustrious Zulu kings who, one after the other, opposed colonialism and racism and political bigotry.
3. That we will honour the memory of great Zulu kings such as the illustrious King Cetshwayo ka Mpande and his scion King Dinuzulu, who suffered imprisonment and exile, by declaring ourselves ready to serve His Majesty and the Prince of KwaPhindangene in any way in which we are called upon to do so. We will do whatever is required of us to gain His Majesty's historic right, the historic right of the Prince of KwaPhindangene and the historic right of KwaZulu to be the final determiners of KwaZulu's destiny.

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