

MINUTES OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON THE DECLARATION OF INTENT AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS HELD ON MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY 1992 AT 15H00 AT THE WTC

ADOPTED AT THE MEETING HELD ON 24 FEBRUARY 1992

PRESENT:

C W Eglin (DP, Convener)

F T Mdlalose (IFP, assisted by A Macaulay)

J Slovo (SACP)

GvN Viljoen (SA Govt)

J Zuma (ANC)

T Eloff (Minutes)

Mr R Cronje (Bophuthatswana Govt) was not present

1. Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference of the Sub-Committee was noted (Addendum A).

Discussion of the IFP's Proposed Amendments (Addendum B).

The proposed amendments by the IFP were discussed. To facilitate this, a document by Mr Eglin was tabled (Addendum C).

2.1 First and Second Proposed Amendments

The following proposal was made:

The Management Committee, and then CODESA II, issue a formal statement, which will become an annexure to the Declaration of Intent, making it clear that, irrespective of their individual views, the seventeen organisations/parties/administrations who signed the Declaration of Intent declare that:

- the Declaration is neutral on the issue of a unitary versus a federal state; and
- * nothing in the declaration is construed as preventing any signatory from advocating a unitary, federal or other democratic form of state, or the separation of powers between the central government and the regions, during the proceedings of CODESA or any of its Committees or Working Groups.

Dr Mdlalose requested that this matter be taken back to the IFP for its consideration and to report back at a future meeting.

2.2 Third Proposed Amendment

2.2.1 It was agreed that the formulation set out below should be circulated to all sub-committee members as soon as possible, for their comments at the next meeting of the sub-committee.

"We the representative of the IFP/Bophuthatswana Government, further solemnly declare to be bound by agreements we reach together with other participants in CODESA in accordance with the standing rules and hereby commit ourselves to the implementation thereof within our capacity, powers and authority".

3. Next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting of the sub-committee will take place on Monday 24 February 1992 at 08h30.

The meeting adjourned.