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**AAN/TO: THE STEERING COMMITTEE  
CODESA****FOR ATTENTION: ELAINE COSSER****SKAKEL FAKSTELNR/DIAL FAXTELNO: 011 397 2211****VAN/FROM: C A RATH  
NAMIBIAN DESK  
DEPT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS****ROETE/ROUTE: AA45  
012 286 330****UITB/EXT: 2412****DATUM/DATE: 1991-12-18****ONDERWERP/SUBJECT: PRESIDENT SAM NUJOMA: GOOD WISHES FOR  
CODESA**

1. Attached is a copy of a letter received by the Office of the South African Representative in Windhoek from President Sam Nujoma, addressed to the Co-chairmen of Codesa expressing good wishes for the Convention. It would be appreciated if the letter could be forwarded to Justices Mohammed and Schabort.





## Republic of Namibia

State House  
Windhoek

CO-CHAIRMEN  
JUSTICE IBRAHIM MOHAMMED &  
JUSTICE PETER J SCHABORT  
CONVENTION FOR A DEMOCRATIC  
SOUTH AFRICA  
JOHANNESBURG

15 DECEMBER 1991


HONOURABLE CO-CHAIRMEN,

ON THE 20-21 DECEMBER 1991, THE ATTENTION OF THE ENTIRE WORLD WILL BE FOCUSED ON THE FIRST HISTORIC SESSION OF THE CONVENTION FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOUTH AFRICA TAKING PLACE IN JOHANNESBURG. I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT WE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, IN GENERAL, AND MORE SPECIFICALLY THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA WILL BE FOLLOWING YOUR DELIBERATIONS WITH KEEN INTEREST. WE WILL DO SO BECAUSE, LIKE YOURSELVES, WE PIN OUR GREAT HOPES FOR PEACE, SECURITY AND CO-OPERATION IN OUR REGION ON THE PROGRESS WHICH SOUTH AFRICANS, AS A UNITED PEOPLE, WILL BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE.

ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA, IT IS MY HONOUR AND PRIVILEGE TO WISH BOTH OF YOU AND ALL THE PARTICIPANTS WISDOM, STATESMANSHIP AND A SENSE OF COMPROMISE DURING THIS VERY IMPORTANT CONVENTION. WE IN NAMIBIA TRUST THAT ALL DELEGATIONS WILL COME TO THE CONVENTION IN A CONSTRUCTIVE SPIRIT OF GIVE-AND-TAKE AND THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN PEOPLE, AS A WHOLE, WILL IN THE END PREVAIL OVER ANY PARTISAN INTERESTS.

I WISH TO EXPRESS THE DESIRE THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE, AS CO-CHAIRMEN OF THE CONVENTION, TO ANNOUNCE A CONSENSUS REACHED BY THE DELEGATES ON THE DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES FOR A NEW CONSTITUTION, WHICH WILL SERVE AS THE PILLARS OF THAT NEW NON-RACIAL AND DEMOCRATIC SOUTH AFRICA. WE THEREFORE, WISH YOU SUCCESS IN YOUR DELIBERATIONS.

YOURS SINCERELY,

  
SAM NUJOMA  
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC