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MEMORANDUM

TO : HEADS OF REGIONAL ELECTIONS COMMISSION  
FROM : NATIONAL ELECTIONS COMMISSION  
DATE : 04 JUNE 1992  
SUBJECT : NAMES OF DELEGATES TO THE 12/13 JUNE MEETING OF  
THE NATIONAL ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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This is a follow-up to my memorandum of the 1st June 1992 regarding the above-mentioned meeting. For the purposes of accommodation, we would appreciate it if you could send/fax us before noon tomorrow the names of members of your delegation. Please indicate whether they are male or female. The information is required for purposes of hotel accommodation.

Yours sincerely

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JAMES STUART  
Chairperson

## **Report from the Elections Commission to the NEC : 9 November 1993**

This is very brief report to give a sense of progress and problems to date as well as point to key dates for events which need ratification.

1. The building of the Electoral Front is progressing well with some discussions still to be concluded with the UPF and LP.
2. The Election message and manifesto are taking shape, drawing on detailed research which has been concluded. (We will report in detail at the next NEC if time permits). The draft manifesto will be in regions by 21 November.
3. The List Process has been initiated and will be formally announced at a Press Conference on Wednesday 10 November. Adverts in all major newspapers nationally will announce some details Thursday 11 November. Nominations forms are available.
4. The Electoral Act has been almost finalised, a report on this issue to be covered under the discussion on negotiations.
5. Campaign work will in the next two months focus on People's Forums in which people all over the country will be given the opportunity to make input on our reconstruction and development programme. The programme of forums will be supported by a major national media campaign using pamphlets, adverts and radio adverts. The main objective of the campaign is to show the ANC is in touch with ordinary people's concerns, we listen to people, we truly represent people's views and interests. This campaign will ensure that our election manifesto is owned by the people. The campaign will focus on the presidents visits to Natal, PWV and N. Transvaal which represent 56% of the electorate.
6. Other campaign work is focused around the following :
  - a. Building structures and infrastructure - we have set up 40 sub-regional offices, all regions have REPC's and Co-ordinating teams, all have video projection units, PA systems, more full-time people, more vehicles, thousands of trained people, manuals for every aspect of the election campaign.



- b. Mass work is targeted at the ID campaign, door to door work (we have held over 50 major blitzes in the country), mock elections where thousands of people vote and public events like the Sonke festival. We have estimated that approximately 2m people have been reached by our work so far, this is 10% of the voters.

In general our work is going well. With the recent more systematic involvement of COSATU in the campaign, we expect the campaign to be strengthened.

## **7. The problems that still remain :**

- i The lack of prioritisation of the elections by the regional leadership in some regions and the NEC.
- ii The political difficulties in some regions has disrupted progress.
- iii The organisational problems which indicate that in many regions at least half the branches are not very active means we need to focus our energy on getting the branches moving. This is particularly important in the light of recent research which shows that our main challenge in this campaign will be a logistical or organisational one. Organisation will be the difference between victory and defeat.
- iv The W. Cape, Natal, N. Transvaal and Transkei are the areas which will require to be prioritised for work by the leadership.

## **8. Key Dates :**

The key programme outlined for the next period will focus on four strands.

- 1 The Reconstruction and Development Programme and its culmination at a national conference on 7-9 January 1994.
2. The simultaneous discussion of the election manifesto, its adoption at the national conference and the joint launch of the RDP and manifesto on 15 January.
3. The People's Forum Campaign
4. The List process which culminates on 18 December.

The four processes are outlined in the steps we need to go through on the next page.

## **RDP / Manifesto**

1. Co-ord Team (Cedric?)  
by 8 Nov.

2. W/shop with tech committees  
on 13 / 14 Nov

3. 5th draft to regions  
by 21 Nov

4. Regional conf's to discuss  
RDP / Manifesto 27 Nov to 5 Dec  
Provide guidelines, teams, money.  
Reg's to link to normal conf where  
possible (W. Cape, N Tvl)

5. MDM Conf on 11/12 Dec

6. Produce 6th draft between 13 Dec  
and 21 Dec. Set an intensive 3/4 day  
working session

7. Produce 7th draft between  
3 Jan and 6 Jan.

8. National Conf to adopt  
January 7 to 9.

Draft of manifesto  
to regions 21 Nov

Research on messages  
& Elec strategy  
between 3 - 7 Dec

Produce final  
manifesto 13 Dec  
- 21 Dec.

Adopt manifesto on  
9 Jan

## **List Process**

P/con to announce process  
on 4 Nov (need to have  
dates/ forms by this date)

Adverts on 7 Nov

Nominations open 8 Nov

Nominations close 24 Nov

Reg nominations conf's  
1 Dec to 14 Dec

National nominations  
conf - 18 Dec

NEC confirms - 19/20 Dec

## **Peoples Forums**

Launch 5 Nov  
p/conf

Adverts on 7 Nov

3 forums in Natal  
13 to 21 Nov

2 forums in PWV  
26 - 29 Nov

2 Forums in N. Tvl  
4 - 5 Dec

Forums in OFS/W.Cape  
during this period  
date/teams to be sorted  
out.

On going media  
campaign on  
proposals, responses

**Launch RDP and Manifesto on 15 January, move into election campaign  
February - South African Reconstruction Conference with donors**



**Short title**

42. This Act shall be called the Independent Electoral Commission Act, 1993.

8 November 1993

To : NWC

From : Elections Commission

**For Decision**

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A. The following people be nominated for Chairperson of the Independent Electoral Commission

1. Archbishop Desmond Tutu
2. Dr Stanley Mogoba

B. The following people be nominated for positions as Commissioners on the Independent Electoral Commission.

1. Sheena Duncan
2. Murray Hofmeyer
3. Adv. George Bizos SC
4. Adv. Zac Yacoob SC
5. Dawn Mokhobo
6. Charles Nupen
7. Adv. Dikang Moseneke SC
8. Winkie Direko
9. Prof. Yvonne Mokgoro
10. Oscar Dhlomo
11. Adv Pius Langa
12. Dr. John Lamola
13. Pricilla Jana
14. Adv. M.T.K. Moerane
15. Rev. Frank Chikane
16. Sheik A. Gabier
17. Adv. W. Trengrove SC
18. Adv. Edwin Cameron