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Group 3 (Constitutional Affairs) CODESA P O Box 307 ISANDO 1600

Dear Sir,

The Chairman

re : CONSTITUTION AND BILL OF RIGHTS

With further reference to the above matter and my letter of the 30th March 1992, would you please inform me why the deliberations at CODESA seem to be shrouded in secrecy, and why the Media and the public are not allowed to report on or observe, respectively, the deliberations. It would seem that, in an open democracy, the people should be informed of the deliberations towards achieving a democratic government at each step of the proceedings. I do not believe that any of the parties at CODESA have been given carte blanche to decide for their respective contituencies on the final format of any proposed constitution. Accordingly, unless the deliberations are aired publicly all along the way, the people will be merely presented with a fait accompli on which they will be expected to vote without having had the opportunity of providing input into those deliberations at each stage.

I look forward to hearing from you in this regard.

Yours faithfully

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