

**GENERAL CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES WHICH SHOULD BE ENSHRINED
IN A NEW CONSTITUTION FOR A NEW SOUTH**

The United People's Front proposed the following general principles which should be inscribed in the constitution for a Democratic South Africa; the Constitutional Principles which build on and clarify the Principles agreed to in the Declaration of Intent.

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The new Democratic, non-racial and non-sexist South Africa will be an undivided and united country in which the sovereign authority of the state shall be exercised over the whole of the entire territory.

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The supreme authority of the country will be guaranteed and guarded over by an independent, impartial, non-sexist and non-racial judiciary

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There shall be a multi-party democracy with the right to join political parties of one's choice. Every citizen shall have the right to form a Political party with regular elections based on the universal adult suffrage on a common voters' Roll with each vote being equal in value with the proportional basic electoral system of representation.

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There shall be a separation of power with appropriate checks and balances.

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Because of the diversity of languages , cultures and religions of the people of South Africa such differences shall be acknowledged in the constitution.

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Human Rights, Freedoms and Civil Liberties including the various freedoms such as the freedom of speech, life, religion, work, marriage and assembly shall be protected by entrenched and justifiable Bill of Rights and a legal system that shall guarantee equality of all the people before the Law.

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There shall be only one South Africa recognised by our constitution with an undivided Government which shall function at National, Regional and Local levels with the appropriate division and decentralisation as to encourage non-racial democratic participation and administration at all levels.

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The application of affirmative action in order to help to redress the gender and racial imbalances created by Apartheid, shall be promoted by the Constitution.

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The institution of traditional rules in South Africa shall be recognised and respected by the new constitution of South Africa.

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The Sovereignty, independence and integrity of any nation shall not be violated or interfered with by South Africa under any circumstances in the interests of international peace.

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