

SUBMISSION OF THE INYANDZA NATIONAL MOVEMENT TO SUB-GROUP 3 WORKING GROUP 4
ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE, FINANCIAL AND PRACTICAL IMPLICATION OF RE-INCORPORATION
OF THE TBVC STATES.

A. INTRODUCTION:

We have never been doubtful on our conviction for a unitary, democratic, non-racial and non-sexist South Africa, therefore our party strongly favours the dissolution of the TBVC States and that they be re-incorporated into a United South Africa.

B. ISSUES AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

The same transitional arrangements which are to be made for the Republic of South Africa should be applied as far as possible to the TBVC States eg. an agreement on Interim government for South Africa would be appropriate for the TBVC States with a central authority devolving from one Interim Government.

C. TRANSITIONAL MEASURES

In order to create economic development the Inyandza National Movement proposes that the Republic of South Africa be divided into Regions so as to facilitate Regional and local administration under one common central control. There should be no race or ethnic based subdivisions accommodated.

D. TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. RETENTION OF BUSINESS CONFIDENCE.

Transitional arrangements should include protection of existing investments and personal assets in order to build confidence in future investment.

2. LAND TRANSFERS BY SOUTH AFRICA

It would make no sense for the Republic of South Africa to transfer further land to these areas from now onwards if the areas are themselves earmarked for future re-incorporation into South Africa. Indeed such transfers could be counter productive and contradictory to the process of re-incorporation. The Inyandza National Movement supports the moratorium on all land transfers fully.

3. DISPOSAL/TRANSFER OF ASSETS.

Assets or liabilities of re-incorporated TBVC States which were owned by the States themselves should revert in ownership to South Africa and be utilized by both transitional and the future government. An inventory of all assets and liabilities of the TBVC States must be provided.

4. EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE

It should be used for the benefit of the local population.

5. NEW DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

These should be reviewed in the context of a unified South Africa but wherever possible priority development project already under way should be allowed to continue without interruption.

6. GOOD ADMINISTRATION DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD.

Efficient and accountable local administration should be ensured during the transition and under the supervision of an Interim National Government. Public funds running these states should be strictly monitored during the Interim period.

7. TAXATION

It is essential that South Africa and the TBVC States should harmonise personal, indirect and Corporate tax.

8. FUTURE OF CIVIL SERVANTS.

Civil services should not be interrupted and transitional and future government should protect and honour legitimate existing and future pensions, subsidy schemes and other civil service benefits.

9. SERVICING AND REPAYMENT OF TBVC STATES DEBTS.

All loans whether direct or guaranteed, domestic and foreign shall be the responsibility of the new government.

10. BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS AND TREATIES.

All these should be evaluated and where possible honoured. If termination become inevitable such shall be effected in an orderly fashion with due regard to Internationally acceptable state practices. All Bona fide foreign and local debts of TBVC States should be honoured.

CONCLUSION

The Inyandza National Movement believes that it is to the benefit of the residents of the TBVC States to be re-incorporated into a Unitary, democratic, non-racial and non-sexist South Africa.