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| FROM | : | CODESA ADMIN  |
| DATE | : | 29 APRIL 1992   |
| RE   | : | DRAFT MINUTES - 28 APRIL 1992<br>DRAFT AGENDA - 4 MAY 1992<br>ADOPTED MINUTES - 21 APRIL 1992 |

Attached please find the following :

- 1. Draft minutes for meeting on 27 April 1992.
- 2. Draft agenda for meeting on 4 May 1992.
- 3. Adopted minutes for meeting on 21 April 1992.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Regards.

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# DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE THIRTEENTH MEETING OF WORKING GROUP 2 (CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES) ON 04 MAY 1992 AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE

| 1. | Apologies |
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- 2. Ratification of Agenda
- 3. Ratification of Minutes

## 4. Discussion on Assignment 2

- 4.1 Presentation of redrafted Steering Committee Proposal on Constitution-Making Body
- 4.2 Discussion of redrafted Steering Committee Proposal on Constitution-Making Body

## 5. Key Issues to be Addressed:

- 5.1 Economic freedom, governmental intervention and economic systems
- 5.2 Accommodation of the diversity of languages, cultures and religions
- 5.3 Role of Traditional Leaders
- 5.4 The Bill/Charter of Fundamental Rights including:
  - 5.4.1 Its nature and scope
  - 5.4.2 Affirmative action
  - 5.4.3 Second generation rights
- 5.5 Self-determination
- 5.6 Inclusion of new items, namely :
  - 5.6.1 The role of standing committees in the formulation of legislation
  - 5.6.2 Government will be open, accessible and accountable
  - 5.6.3 Power Sharing

## 6. AOB

- 6.1 Codesa 2: Expectations and Progress Report
- 6.2 Progress with Public Submissions and Oral Evidence
- 6.3 Item 4.4 of the Minutes of the Meeting of 2 March 1992: Further discussion of the common principle regarding the balance between central, regional and local government
- 6.4 Decision-making procedure regarding the proposed constitution
- 7. Next Meeting

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## MINUTES OF THE TWELFTH MEETING OF WORKING GROUP 2 (CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES) HELD AT THE WORLD TRADE CENTRE ON TUESDAY 28 APRIL 1992

#### PRESENT:

Delegates and advisors (See Addendum A) M Richards (Chair) M Phillips (Secretary) W Antoine (Minutes)

## **DOCUMENTS DISTRIBUTED:**

- 1. Draft agenda
- 2. Ratified minutes of the tenth meeting of Working Group 2 held on 07.04.92
- 3. Draft minutes of the eleventh meeting of Working Group 2 held on 21.04.92
- 4. 21.04.92 Submissions to Working Group 2 from non-CODESA organisations and individuals.
- 5. Summary of public submissions to Working Group 2 prepared by Working Group 2 Steering Committee.
- 6. Working Group 2 Steering Committee proposal on CMB 27.4.92
- 7. Working Group 3. Report by the Technical Committee to the Steering Committee. WG3 27 April 1992.
- 8. Areas of agreement and areas on which no agreement yet exists on assignment 1 of Working Group 2 prepared by the Steering Committee 27.4.92.

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#### 1. Apologies

| C Ramaphosa                    | African National Congress |
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| SG Mothibe                     | Bophutatswana Government  |
| R Cronje                       | Bophuthatswana Government |
| I Findlay                      | Bophuthatswana Government |
| CW Eglin                       | Democratic Party          |
| I Rautenbach                   | National Party            |
| H Neerahoo (subs. by N Rajaram | ) National People's Party |
| SP Holomisa (subs.by M Nonkon  |                           |
| PZ Ndamase (subs. by CXN May   |                           |

#### 2. Ratification of Agenda

The agenda was ratified without amendments.

#### 3. Ratification of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 21.04.92 were ratified subject to the following amendments that were agreed upon:

- 3.1 Regarding apologies
  - 3.1.1 N Rajaram substituted for B Singh of the National People's Party.
  - 3.1.2 PZ Ndamase of the Transkei Government was added to the list of apologies
- 3.2 Further to paragraph 5, it was agreed following a joint meeting of the Steering Committees of Working Groups 2 and 3 that regular joint meetings of the Steering Committees for Working Groups 2 and 3 should take place, and that the possibility of a joint meeting of Working Groups 2 and 3 should be kept open.

#### 4. Discussion on Assignment 2

- 4.1 The Steering Committee tabled the following proposal on a Constitution-Making Body:
  - 1. Codesa shall agree to legislative intruments that would make provision for a constitution making body operating within the framework of an interim constitution.
  - 2. Codesa shall consult governments of the self-governing states and other interested parties in the drafting of the legislative instrument / interim constitution.
  - 3. Codesa shall agree on a set of general constitutional principles.
  - 4. The interim constitution shall make provision for:
    - 4.1 An elected parliament with the power to:
      - 4.1.1 In terms of agreed procedures, draft a new constitution which shall not be in conflict with the general constitutional principles

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- 4.1.2 Act as an interim legislature in terms of such special majorities and general constitutional principles which may be agreed to.
- 4.2 The composition and procedures of an interim executive.
- 4.3 Justiciable civil and political rights during the transition.
- 4.4 The balance between the executive, legislature and judiciary according to the principles underlying a constitutional state.
- 4.5 Regional boundaries for the purposes of elections.
- 4.6 Elections for the national assembly on the basis of proportional representation, half the seats being allocated through national lists and half being allocated through regional lists.
- 4.7 Decision making on all matters relating to the constitution to be taken in general by a special majority.
- 4.8 Decisions on matters relating to regional structures and the distribution of power between central, regional and local levels of government to require a special majority of the regional representatives in the NA in addition to a special majority of all the delegates in the NA.
- 5. Codesa shall agree upon special mechanisms to ensure that the NA completes the work of drafting and adopting the new constitution within a specified period of time.presented and delegates questioned the Steering Committee on points of clarification.
- 4.2 Delegates questioned the Steering Committee on points of clarification.
- 4.3 The following amendments to the Steering Committee proposal were suggested by members of the Working Group:
  - 4.3.1 It should be made clear that regional structures such as the independent and selfgoverning states and provincial administrations will remain intact until the NA reaches agreement on new regional bodies.
  - 4.3.2 Paragraph 1. should read: Codesa shall agree to legislation to provide for a constitution-making body which will operate within the framework of an interim constitution.
  - 4.3.3 In paragraph 2, the word *legislation* should replace "legislative instrument/interim constitution".
  - 4.3.4 Item 4.1 should read: An elected parliament ("the National Assembly (NA)") with the power to...

## 4.3.5 Item 4.1.1 should read: In terms of agreed procedures, draft a new constitution which shall implement, and not be in conflict with, the general constitutional principles.

#### 4.3.6 Item 4.6 should read:

Elections for the national assembly on the basis of proportional representation by all South Africans within the original borders of South Africa, half the seats being allocated through national lists and half being allocated through regional lists.

4.3.7 There should be a new item 4.9:

The establishment of a constitutional panel which will be the only judicial body to interpret the general constitutional principles, which interpretation may be initiated only by a party to the NA. CODESA could take an informal decision regarding the composition of this panel, but final approval should be determined by a high percentage vote of the NA.

(This proposal was motivated as follows:

- It will ensure speedy access to the tribunal
- It will be acceptable to all
- \* Access to it will be limited to members of the NA
- It will exclude the jurisdiction of other courts)
- 4.3.8 Regarding items 4.7 and 4.8, it should be noted that special majority has yet to be defined.
- 4.3.9 Item 4.2 should read: The composition, procedures and *functions* of an interim executive.
- 4.3.10 There could be a role for a referendum at some stage in the proposal.
- 4.3.11 A process regarding recall and replacement of delegates to the NA should be adopted.
- 4.3.12 It should be made explicit that the present constitution, executive and legislature would lapse once the interim constitution comes into force.
- 4.4 <u>It was agreed</u> to place on the agenda for future consideration the matter of conflict resolution mechanisms, in particular the question of how consensus is to be reached on the proposed legislation and interim constitution.
- 4.5 A press statement was agreed upon and was submitted to the Daily Management Committee (see Addendum B).
- 4.6 <u>It was agreed</u> that written comments on the Steering Committee proposal could be circulated to the Secretary and to all delegates before the next meeting.
- 4.7 <u>It was agreed</u> that the Steering Committee will meet on Monday 4 May to synthesise the proposals made during discussion and any written comments which may be received. <u>It was agreed</u> that the Steering Committee would then present an amended proposal to the next meeting of the Working Group.

#### 5. Next Meeting

- 5.1 The next meeting will take place on 4.05.92 from 14h00 to 17h00 and on Tuesday 5 May from 09h00 to 16h00.
- 5.2 The Steering Committee will meet on 4.05.92 at 09h30 to 13h00.

## ADDENDUM A

The following delegates and advisors signed the Attendance Register of Working Group 2 meeting held on 28 April 1992:

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|                            | A Sachs          |
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| Ciskei Government          | MC Kashe         |
|                            | IJ Smuts         |
|                            | J Labuschagne    |
|                            | VR Zietsman      |
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|                            | D Welsh          |
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|                            | M Mopeli         |
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National People's Party

Solidarity Party

SA Communist Party

SA Government

Transkei Government

United People's Front

Venda Government

Ximoko Progressive Party

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F van Heerden J Rabie S Camerer

M Mohanlall S Ismail B Singh N Rajaram

K Moodley DS Rajah R Arenstein

J Slovo B Nzimande E Daniels

G Viljoen JT Delport JHE Basson F Venter

R Nogumla XN Mayisela M Nonkonyana DS Koyana

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ADDENDUM A

The following delegates and advisors signed the Attendance Register of Working Group 2 meeting held on 21 April 1992:

### Organisation

African National Congress

Bophutatswana Government

Ciskei Government

Democratic Party

Dikwankwetla Party

Inkatha Freedom Party

Intando Yesizwe Party

Inyandza National Movement

Labour Party

Delegate/Advisor

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TE Scheepers

MC Kashe IJ Smuts J Labuschagne

CW Eglin D Worrall A Leon D Welsh

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G Viljoen JT Delport JHE Basson

R Nogumla XN Mayisela M Nonkonyana

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GM Ligege MP Nthabalala A Budeli Adv Mushasha

EE Ngobeni KR Myakayaka EPP Mhinga J Ackron



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## ADDENDUM B

# DAILY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE STATEMENT ON THE **CONSTITUTION MAKING BODY PROPOSAL BEFORE WORKING GROUP 2**

The Steering Committee of Working Group 2 met yesterday and drew up a draft proposal on a Constitution Making Body. This proposal has been put to the Working Group for discussion today. The proposal is not final for the following reasons :

- A number of issues require further clarification. 1.
- The Steering Committee is comprised of individual members of the Working Group. 2. They do not represent their particular parties on the Steering Committee and the proposals have therefore not been mandated by the parties they belong to.
- The document has not yet been submitted to principals or discussed within party 3. caucuses. There is therefore no question of agreement on the proposal at this stage.

Once the proposal has been extensively discussed in the Working Group and amended where necessary, it will be submitted to the principals for the comments.

The proposal will then be further discussed at the meeting of Working Group 2 next week. Participants in Working Group 2 have agreed not to comment to the press on the merits of the proposals at this stage.

