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Dear Sirs

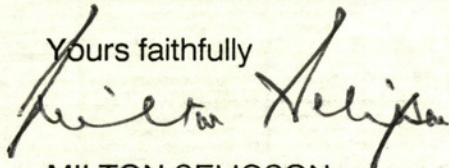
The General Council of the Bar of South Africa ("GCB") has decided to offer its assistance to CODESA in respect of the drafting of a new constitution and in particular the proposed Bill of Rights. It is felt that the Bar has an important contribution to make, by reason of its training and expertise, on such issues as:

- the system of Courts in the new dispensation;
- the method of appointment of judges, their powers and the protection of their independence;
- the structure of the legal profession;
- the best means of securing "due process" for individuals;
- the procedural aspects of constitutional adjudication;
- generally, the scope and contents of the proposed Bill of Rights.

The GCB would accordingly welcome the opportunity of participating in, or at least assisting in the functions of, the Constitutional Committee of CODESA. We believe that it is fitting that the organised legal profession in South Africa should play a role in the shaping of the future constitutional structure which will vitally affect the administration of justice in this country. We stand ready to do so.

I would appreciate it if you would refer this letter to your Management and Constitutional Committees for their consideration.

Yours faithfully



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