

KEN JY JOU REGTE!

Meeste dienspligtiges glo dat hulle geen regte in die SAW het nie. Die min regte wat dienspligtiges wel het word selde aan hulle verduidelik .

Om saam te val met ECC se nuwe fokus op die dienspligtige , sal ECC 'n " Ken Jou Regte Boekie " beskikbaar stel vanaf 11 Junie 1988 . Die boekie sal landwyd deur ECC - Takke bekend gestel word om verkoop te word aan die publiek .

Die boekie word aan die begin van Julie geloods om saam te val met die Augustus inname van dienspligtiges .

Dit bestaan uit 5 hoofstukke :

- * Inleiding
- * Die dienspligtige se regte in die SAW
- * Die Militere dissiplinere kode
- * Wat die dienspligtige kan verwag as hy aanmeld vir diens
- * Watter alternatiewe keuses hy het

Die koste van die boek is ongeveer R5

Die boekie sal in Pretoria bekend gestel word op die 11 Julie by 'n sosiale geleentheid . Ander ECC - Takke beplan soortgelyke funksies om die boekie bekend te stel .

40 Years of defending apartheid

Last month the National Party celebrated 40 years of apartheid rule . The majority of South - Africans had nothing to rejoice about . During this period the majority of people were excluded from the decision making process . Similarly, young white South African men have had no right of choice in deciding in which way to serve their country .

Conscripts are forced to side with the SADF in an ideological battle for the maintenance of apartheid .

The name "South African Defence Force " is a contradiction in itself , as the SADF is not a defensive body but an aggressive one . Since 1975 the SADF has been involved in an undeclared war against Angola . The SADF has been involved in supplying and training Renamo in Mozambique . The SADF has also been military active in Lesotho , Botswana , Zimbabwe , Swaziland, and Zambia . Troops have been occupying the South African townships since 1984 and we know have a state of civil war existing in our country .

During World War II South African troops were granted the right not to serve outside the borders of South Africa . Today conscripts have no such rights and many are forced to kill or die in wars they do not support .

ECC finds it difficult to support the SADF in respect to the action it takes . It does not carry the interests of the South African nation at heart but has over the past 40 years increasingly become an instrument which acts in the interests of the small group who hold power .



Troops have been in full occupation of townships for almost 4 years.

APARTHEID WARFARE

* How the military controls South Africa

It has been suggested that South Africa has experienced its own "bloodless coup " . Power no longer rests in the hands of elected representatives of the community , but with a small grouping namely the State Security Council

The National Security Management System (NSMS) is headed by President Botha and comprises 500 committees made up of government appointed bureaucrats , ultimately controlled by the military and the police . They are accountable to no one save the security structures above them .

The NSMS purpose is to counter the "Revolutionary Onslaught " , contain political resistance , coordinate the hearts - and - minds strategy of the government and to act as an early

warning system ; spotting problems and dealing with them on a military level before these can develop .

The NSMS can be paralleled to the normal political structures of our society reaching to the lowest level of community life yet depriving the majority of citizens any representation .

The extent to which the NSMS has penetrated our lives is frightening . The structure can be summarised as follows :

* The State Security Council at the top headed by PW Botha and his most senior cabinet ministers , the chiefs of the SAP and SADF and intelligence squads also play a prominent role .

* Working committees : heads of government departments - coordinate matters of security in their departments

* 13 inter - departmental committees cooperate on particular areas of security strategy

* Regional level : 12 Joint Management Centres [JMC] these coincide with military command areas they are headed by security force officers

* Specialist committees : fall under the JMC 's they deal with political , social and intelligence issues .

* 60 Sub JMC 's : these coincide with metropolitan areas governed by the Regional Services Council

* Lowest level 448 mini - JMC's

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the MNR : who's pulling the strings?

Renamo (or the MNR) was formed after a former combatant of Frelimo, Andre Matade Matsangaiza, was sent to a Frelimo rehabilitation centre in Sacuze for stealing a Mercedes Benz.

He escaped and fled to Rhodesia where he was welcomed by the country's Central Intelligence Organisation (CIO).

The CIO set Matsangaiza up with a few mercenaries. These were to act as a fifth column force inside Mozambique to disrupt the ZANLA guerillas who operated from Mozambique.

Renamo was formally launched when the "Voz da Africa Livre" began beaming anti-Frelimo propaganda into Mozambique in May 1976. The organisation operated as a small group of 500 soldiers from a base set up by the Rhodesian Special Air Services in Gorongozo, Mozambique.

1979 marked the end of colonial rule in Rhodesia: 250 Renamo guerillas and vehicles were transferred from Rhodesia to camps at Waterkloof, Voortrekkerhoogte and Phalaborwa. The whole operation was arranged by Colonel Charles van Niekerk (now Brigadier), intelligence officer in the SADF. Training camps were set up in the Eastern Transvaal at Lutaba 1 km from the Kruger Park.

In December 1981 Frelimo destroyed a Renamo base at Garagua. Documents were found there which pointed to large scale logistical support and military supplies from the SADF. During this period Renamo increased attacks and chiefs loyal to Frelimo were systematically murdered.

In March 1984 the Nkomati accord was signed between South Africa and Mozambique. Both agreed to end all support for

The SADF's secret war against Mozambique has only one purpose in mind: to destabilise Mozambique and to establish Pretoria as the dominant power in Southern Africa.



Renamo in exchange for the expulsion of ANC guerrillas from Mozambique. But Renamo's activities did not decline.

South Africa has denied allegations that it has been involved with Renamo after Nkomati. Recent developments questions South Africa's integrity.

On March 14 1988 a leading representative of Renamo, Paul Oliviera, resigned because of his opposition to Renamo atrocities. Later he informed the press in Maputo that Renamo chief Afonso Dhlakama spends half his

time in South Africa. He also talked about a Renamo camp near Pretoria which provides assistance to the rebels.

He further claimed that guerillas and general staff of Renamo live on a farm 30 km from Pretoria. He names Colonel van Niekerk and Brigadier van Tonder as senior SADF officers responsible for liaising with Renamo.

On May 1984 Joe Boato, a captured Renamo guerilla, said that he was trained in South Africa as a parachutist.

On March 3 1988 former Renamo

guerilla, Abilio Jangare told a press conference in Maputo that he saw eight black soldiers from South Africa at a Renamo base at Messemebe.

In August 1985 Frelimo captured a major Renamo base at Gorogozo. Two notebooks were found which were the property of the camp commander.

The notes recorded a massive drop of armaments into Mozambique from South Africa just before the Nkomati accord. The notes also make reference to a brigadier van Tonder, a SADF officer, as saying that military C130 aircraft can no longer be used to deliver supplies and that civilian aircraft will be used. They also record large amounts of ammunition being received for AK-47's.

An instruction from Colonel van Niekerk is also recorded stating that Renamo should avoid contact with FAM (Mozambique Armed Forces) and concentrate more on destabilising the economy, infrastructure and controlling the population.

Since 1984 Renamo has set out on a brutal campaign of terror. A U.S. State Department study reveals that a 100,000 civilians have been murdered by Renamo during the last 2 years.

Robert Gersony who prepared the report spent 3 months interviewing Mozambican refugees in Tanzania, Malawi, South Africa, Zimbabwe and Mozambique. The people he interviewed spoke of some of the atrocities committed by Renamo which included: mass executions, killing of pregnant women, forced starvations and drownings.

Gersony concludes in his report that Renamo has no political solution and makes no attempt to gather support among the population.

PROFIEL : David Bruce

Ses jaar in die tronk vir sy oortuigings

Ek is nie 'n pasifis nie. Ek is bereid om die mense van hierdie land te verdedig, maar nie om die rassistiese sisteem te verdedig nie.

David Bruce sal op die 19 de Julie in die hof verskyn en 'n vonnis van 6 jaar in die gesig staar omdat hy weier om in die SAW te dien. Hy is die eerste Suid Afrikaner wat ses jaar gevangenisstraf in die gesig staar vir weiering om in die SAW te dien.

As hy volgende maand gevonniss word, sal Bruce onmiddelik begin om wat hy die beste dae van sy lewe noem met gewone kriminele deure te bring.

Om tronk toe te gaan is soos om aan te meld vir diens.

Bruce hoop om jong Suid Afrikaners te konfronteer met die kwessie van rassisme. - "Die SAW beskerm die apartheidssisteem, wat rassisties is,

- ek aanvaar dat ons mense moet verdedig. Maar ek kan dit nie onder die regeringstelsel wat ons nou het doen nie.

Na skool is Bruce na die Universiteit van die Witwatersrand. Aan die einde van 1986 het hy sy oproepinstruksies ontvang. Hy kon nie besluit wat om te doen nie. Met die groei van die anti - oproep bewegings, het wetgewing in 1984 verskerp en is die vonnis vir weiering tot dienspligaanmelding van 2 jaar tot 6 jaar verhoog. Dit het Bruce se besluiteloosheid vererger.



OM die land te verlaat, was nie vir hom 'n oplossing nie: "Deur die land te verlaat sal ek weghardloop van iets waaraan ek baie toegewyd is - om apartheid te beëindig"

Bruce sal nie die Weermag probeer ontwyk nie - hy wil nie sy hele lewe aan die vlug wees nie.

Bruce sal 31 wees wanneer hy vrygelaat word: "Die beste jare van my lewe gaan ek weg. Ek verloor my jeug - as ek uitkom, sal ek oud wees - maar ek glo dit is die beste keuse"

Vanaf 1979 - 1983 is 13 gewetensbeswaardes gevonniss tot gevangenisstraf in die detensiebarrakke of tronk, omdat hulle geweier het om in die SAW te dien op grond van politieke redes.

Tot 1984 is geen voorsiening gemaak vir gewetensbeswaardes, anders as diene wat aan "vrede kerke" soos die Jehova se Getuies behoort het nie. Ander beswaardes is gewoonlik tot 2 jaar gevangenisstraf gevonniss. Sedert beswaardes egter na 1984 tot twee en 'n half keer die dienspligtermyn gevonniss kan word is slegs twee gewetensbeswaardes vervolg.

The Conscription Advice Bureau

Pretoria will soon be home to a branch of the CAB. This is a development which is welcomed by us as many of the questions we are not able to help with can now be handled through the advice bureau.

In the past we in the ECC have had to deal with a growing number of enquiries related to conscription, military service and the various problems that conscripts encounter. The ECC's primary task is to campaign for the ending of conscription and thus the task of counselling is an added task to which we felt we were not able to devote enough time to thus, thus a number of people

after consultation with us decided to set up an advice service for conscripts and servicemen in the Pretoria area.

The bureau is not aligned to any grouping and is there to provide help and information to servicemen. Many conscripts have no idea of what army life will expect of them. Many young men and their families have questions and anxieties for which they have no answers. Many do not know where to go for advice and peace of mind. Although the defense force has a similar service for conscripts, many servicemen may feel

unable to ask certain questions or expressing their fears.

Through this advice bureau it is hoped that conscripts will have a place to go where they can feel free to ask whatever questions they choose and rely on the services and advice of trained counsellors. Should these counsellors feel they cannot answer a specific question or deal with a particular problem, the person will be referred to a professional person such as a clergyman, psychologist or social worker. Until the advice office is fully functional enquiries can be passed on via the ECC in Pretoria by writing to P.O. Box 36254, Menlopark, 0181

presence and workings of the JMC's become acceptable to the majority of the people and they are never really questioned, if at all noticed. This level of militarization and "Military

Government" shows that the government is careful enough not to dismantle the public institutions of civil government - these are largely kept intact in order to maintain the illusion of a democratic government.

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This is the extent to which the military plays a part in our lives. Due to the fact that military service is compulsory the

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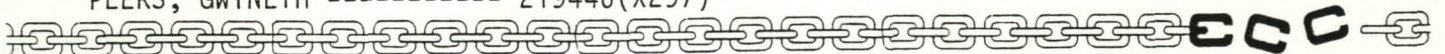
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NOTULES VAN ECC/END 7 Mei 1986, Barnes Rd 97

1. Edwin rapporteer oor die Pretoria-werkgroep se vergadering op 6 Mei 1986, rondom die beplanning van 'n groot kontak-aand op 16 Mei by St Wilfred/Ducksberg.

'n Verdere beplanningsvergadering is geskeduleer vir 13 Mei 1986 by Barnettstraat 1232. Uitnodigings vir die 16de is gerig aan die Black Sash, PFP Youth, Youth for Unity Ansoc, SIN, NIR, Pretoria Council of Churches, Lawyers for Human Rights, Teoloë van UNISA (David Bosch, Denise Ackerman, Wynand du Plessis, Tobias Mariti (Spiritual Youth Adviser), Theuns Eloff en J.A. Heyns. Koördinatore: Laurie Nathan, Edwin, lede van die kontak-subkomitee, Johannesburg.

(Ook op die plannelys van die werkgroep van 14 lede is 'n Pretoriase Vredesfees.)

PROBLEME: Die Pretoria-groep wys die naam END af weens "onafrikaansheid" en ideologiese besware teen die begrip diensplig. Hulle het geen beter voorstel nie. HET die artikel in SIN verskyn?

2. Robbie praat oor die wenslikheid van eweredige verspreiding van die lede van die Afrikaanse groep in die subkomitees van ECC. Tot dusver was daar 'n wanbalans: 'n te groot verteenwoordiging beklemtoon dat ECC breedweg 'n mediavelddog is en dat joernalistieke vaardighede in alle subkomitees gebruik kan word. Ná hierdie appèl word daar weer 'n lys gesirkuleer vir 'n herdinding. Gedurende die volgende maand, vóór die volgende algemene byeenkoms van die Afrikaanse groep op 4 Junie, word daar van lede verwag dat hulle na die subkomitee-vergaderings sal gaan en vir hulleself sal uitmaak waar hulle die beste tuishoort. Subkomitees media, kerk, kontak vergader op Maandae en Onderwys op Woensdae. Anne-Marie sal die opname van Afrikaanse lede in die subkomitees koördineer.

3. Die kwessie van die Afrikaanse naam vir ECC word bespreek. Etlke voorstelle word gemaak, en die volgende voorkeurlys word aangeneem.

END dit pas goed by ECC, almal weet wat "nasionale diensplig" in die huidige konteks beteken, dit het n redelik beskaafde en waardige toon (Eindig Nasionaal-militêre diensplig)

BEK Beëindig konskripsie (te plat, karikutariseerbaar)

PAD Pleidooi vir Alternatiewe Diens

4. Voorstelle vir nuwe Posters word gemaak. Die gevoel is dat veral drie soorte klem moet kry.
- a. minder ~~n~~ emosioneel en meer feitelik
 - b. die leuse met die oog op die Julie-oproep-veldtog.
 - c- humoristiese inslag

Al drie moet ekonomiese argumente, menseregte-argumente, morele en demokratiese argumente verteenwoordig.

Die volgende posters word in die vooruitsig gestel.:

- I. n Reeks gelyksoortige posters met opgeblaaide relevante foto's as agtergrond in opeenvolgend verskillende kleure met twee ~~n~~ reekse feitelike en statistiese gegewens in jukstaposisie (bv. dodetalle, beseerdes, behuising, gesondheids- en onderwysgebreke, ondervoeding (tuislande), werkloosheid, siekte (tuberkolose), teenoor verdedigingsbegroting, polisie en weermagsalarissse, wit voordele in behuising, onderwys en gesondheid en werksverskaffing, diensontduikersgetalle, gewetnesbeswaardes-getalle, wit dodetalle, beseerdes en bosbefôktes. (Ena en Marlene)
- II. n Reeks met die tema: Jou land het jou nodig met jukstaposisie in beeld van die keuse tussen konskripsie (townships - dood en verwoesting en konstruksie - gemeenskapsdiens.

III) 'n Reeks met die klem op kleiner en groter gemeenskaps-groepe: familie, skoolklas, beroepsgroepe waarin die figuur van die dienspligtige (oproepbaar, beseer terugkeer, teiken, ontwrig) elke keer uitgesonder word. (Hanlie vir foto's)

IV) Troeptrein - heen en terug.

V) Cartoonagtige rugbytaal omgevorm in protes (Victor en Edwin)

VI) Boetie word Bossies

Finale ontwerpe moet voorgelê word tydens volgende vergadering sodat daar nie weer tussen die konsep en die ontwerp onenigheid kan ontstaan nie.

5. Grahamstad-fees. 'n Besprekingsgroep oor 'n moontlike program op Sondag 18 Mei in Melville, 2de Laan 96.

6. Pamflet en plakkertjies - Irna kry dit by Johanni en daar moet aan gewerk word want daar was nog geen Afrikaanse inligtingstuk nie.

7. Straatopname - Afrikaans moet gedruk word. Beplanning vir straatveldtog op 17 Mei, afhængende van moontlike oorvleueling met Jodac-aktiwiteite.

8. ECC-lede se onderrig 22 Mei.

9. Kontagroep moet ook werk aan die organisasie van MOEDERS TEEN DIENSPLIG.

10. ^{ds} Fondsinsameling

1. Elke keer by Afrikaanse groep-vergadering - kollekte

2. Rommelversameling moet aan die gang kom.

3. Voorbereiding vir Julie-oproepveldtog se ~~gee~~ fees.

11. Volgende vergadering by 3 Maldon Rd. Irna is verantwoordelik vir agenda en koördinasie. Op elke maandelikse vergadering vo word die voorsitter-sekretaris van die volgende vergadering gekies, wat dan ook tussentyds as ~~a sakke~~ skakelpersoon tussen

ECC se executive en Afrikaanse lede en subkomitees funksioneer.

12. Dringende aandag moet gegee word aan die werwing van nuwe aktiewe lede wat vir via die Afrikaanse groep by die ECC/END Betrek moet word. Alle lede moet voor elke ~~ma~~ maandvergadering opgebel ~~om~~ word en aangeraai word om te kom.

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Pretoria ECC & the state of Emergency

Pretoria has many characteristics of a sprawling plattelandse dorp. It has that robust braaivleis and rugby sensibility, that curious mixture of pretension and uncertainty, and that dull inertia of bushveld afternoons with cicadas screeching mindlessly in the thorny scrub. It is also the embodiment of boere ideology and adorned with its symbols: Voortrekker monument, Union buildings, Paul Kruger statue, Pretoria Central Prison, T.E.D. head office, and State theatre.

In addition, Pretoria is the NERVE CENTRE OF THE SECURITY NETWORK in the country.

The fact, therefore, that a branch of ECC has been established in Pretoria, and that there is active support here for ECC, is already a victory. It means that there is an ideological space available in Pretoria within which to strengthen and extend ECC's call for a just, non-racial, and non-violent society. Our task is to gain an understanding of the nature of this ideological space and to exploit it effectively.

There is no tradition in Pretoria of resistance to the ruling ideology of apartheid and violent coercion. There is no Khotso House that has emerged as a symbol of the struggle against oppression. There have not been placard demonstrations down Church street, nor rousing meetings at which people have been mobilized to oppose the system. To have Helen Suzman address a crowd of querulous liberals has been the furthest that Pretoria has been prepared to move in the past.

What this means is that ECC must, to start with, articulate this ideological space it has entered in Pretoria, FOR IT HAS NOT YET BEEN ARTICULATED. In other words, this ideological space is more like an empty space, a vacuum.

But I am digressing. My intention is to describe the labour pains that ECC has experienced in Pretoria.

Scenario number one. WE WERE CONCEIVED ON THE EVE OF THE EMERGENCY! Inauspicious stars shone down on our first life tremors. This has obviously greatly hampered our growth. Imagine a group of not-so-hard-core, timid would-be-activists confronted with the paranoia of a massive state clamp-down AIMED IT SEEMED AT US! THEY HAD POINTED THEIR FLIPPIN' HEAVY ARTILLERY AT US! And when members of the national executive made their appearance with NEATLY STYLED HAIR, BEARDS SHORN TO A GLASSY SMOOTHNESS, THREE-PIECE SUIT, AND EXECUTIVE BRIEF-CASE IN HAND, we became rattled. The group shrunk to the size of a tie-pin and lost its momentum.

Scenario number two. The slow process of organization building begins. Rules of the meeting: don't interrupt be concise don't smoke inside don't stand on my corns be polite at all times love your chairperson don't eat meat. Who volunteers to take responsibility for...?

Scenario number three. We have a campaign. We must assert our legal space. Demand our right to speak. We are confused and grope around for ideas. Want desperately to know what the other regions are doing. THE STATE IS GOING TO BLAST US OUT OF EXISTENCE HERE IN PRETORIA IF WE SO MUCH AS WHISPER. I'm sure my telephone line is bugged. What is that strange clicking noise? Sounds like the reels of a tape recorder being set in motion....Hullo, Johan. We're having a supper party tomorrow night at half-past seven. - A what? - Don't be so slow to catch on, ou. A supper party. Bring your notebook along. Park around the corner. Did you remember to...? Uh, Steve, what did you say Jo'burg is doing for the RIGHT TO SQUEAK CAMPAIGN? Okay, we'll do it as well.

Scenario number four. ECC fails to engage Pretoria in a significant way. Following the example of our brothers and sisters in the cities of resistance, we think in terms of a confrontational strategy, of an angry attack on the system. So for the Right to Speak campaign we adopt the Johannesburg strategy of a sticker-and-yellow-ribbon blitz on the streets at dawn, without considering carefully how effective this action will be in Pretoria. It is a test case and the results show that our gains in terms of this kind of strategy are marginal. Unlike Johannesburg we do not have the dynamism nor the resources to sustain such an assault on the state ideology through follow-up action in the press, on university campuses, etc. The institutional machinery in Pretoria is too strong to yield even fractionally to such an assault. What we need to do here is to offer positive alternatives to the ruling ideology and to organize our actions, our practices, around these alternatives. One of the advantages of such a strategy is that State action against these positive alternatives will result in the further discredit of the State among the sort of people we're aiming to involve in Pretoria: moderate intellectuals, well-meaning mothers of teenagers, nervous clergymen, students fresh from the veld, the odd weirdo whiling away his time in the Pact workshops.

Which is all very abstract and vague at this stage. But we're getting there. Things take a while to crystallize. I'd like to conclude with a quotation from Stephen Stills's '49 bye-byes':

It looks to me like
there's a few politicians
hanging around, children
Perpetuating some kind
of a myth on us all
Talking about wanting
to drag all the kids off
Because they've got the guts
to get out on the street
and tell the truth everyday
Making things a little
hot for them, yeh

PTA NOTES1) Sub-committee

Media (Jan + Dirk); cultural emphasis; need skills training; need more people; ph Dirk re meeting.

Counselling (Adrian, Antoinette, Jan, Andries, Jan S, Albert etc); too many people?; A-OK; contacting professionals + COSG; meeting Sun. afternoon.

Churches (Lennex); no time to meet; only 3 people; needs plan of action

Internal Education (Van, Erasmus, v Lybowa, Gaby, Darryl); under control; need videos x 2; idea of 1 day workshop; need contact with WOF; need co-ordinator; prepare ECC guidelines document.

Campus (?); chaotic; must get back to Gavin; should see Wynand

2) Affiliates

Should try to get ECC to address each affiliate and raise question of aff / membership:

PFM Yth

Yth for Unity

Koinonia group

LHA (Brian Curry)?

Black Sash

NIR?

Pretoria Council of Churches

3) Contact work

- Arch. Daniel
- Prof. Heyns } NIR
- Rev McGroun } NIR
- Pretoria CoC
- Arch. Kraft
- Brian Curry
- Chris Pretorius (PACT)
- Prof Tiers Cellob (Emma)
- Archi + Law students (Andries)
- UDF
- Chris Lijlfillam PFP / CMG
- Constand's brother

Have seen : Boach ; Nico Smith ; Denise Adberman ; Prof Symon

4) NOBS

- a) above lots
- b) Marlene to do Unisa - sell her
- c) must talk to Africa app in Jhb.
- d) Error : hetherans and DAC contact
- e) Catholic chaplain - St
- NGK chaplain - Jan Stevens
- Prof v d Westheyen - Andries
- Anglicans - Jan Stevens
- Cultural types - Dirk contact
- artists - Jan Oedinghuy

5) UNISA

must see Alfons

must see Marlène and Denise

~~must consider the theological / interdisciplinary options~~

6) Individuals in EC

Andries Claessens ✓

* Van

Andries

* Dijk

Erasmus

* Jan Stevens

Wynand

Adrian Blom ✓

Arkoisette

Jan Red.

* Corro

7) Process

~~general discussion: writing grp; GB; sub comm~~

Tasks ✓ video for Fri

✓ prepare Jan x2

✓ each sub-comm must have co-ordinator

✓ co-ords must report to GB

✓ will contact all on Tues (- Van doing list)

✓ collect minutes from Andries

✓ reallocation of people

✓ talk to Marlène about her role (Victor?)

8) Issues

Survey; udf; DS + SL; Edwin

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30 April 1986

Dear Mr Wilkinson

I am an Afrikaans mother of a 16-year old son. I salute your brave stand. Your action is an example of true courage. I hope my son will be morally strong enough to to what you have done when he is conscripted into the SADF.

I am thinking of you - as a non-Christian it would be presumptuous to say "I am praying" for you. If there is anything I could do to in some way aid you, please let me know.

Yours faithfully

Lucille Heydenrych

(Lucille Heydenrych)

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ATTN: DAVID SHANDLER, NATIONAL SECRETARY, END CONSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN

THERE CAN BE NOTHING CLOSER TO THE CONCERNS OF THE BRITISH CHURCHES AT THIS TIME THAN THE NEED FOR A 'JUST PEACE' AND AN END TO VIOLENCE, NOT LEAST STATE VIOLENCE, IN SOUTH AFRICA. WE PRAY THAT ALL CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS LIKE PHILLIP WILKINSON WILL BE GIVEN A FAIR HEARING, WILL BE SAVED FROM ENROLMENT INTO AN ARMY WHICH PERSISTS IN THE DEFENCE OF APARTHEID ALONGSIDE ITS OTHER DUTIES, AND MOST OF ALL WILL BE SPARED FROM IMPRISONMENT IN A CHRISTIAN COUNTRY WHICH SEEKS TO OBEY GOD'S COMMANDMENTS.

OUR WARMEST WISHES
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ECC INFORMATION PACK: PRETORIA REGION

This pack includes material specific to the ECC. It is meant to help people understand the demands and structures of the campaign. Other than the short piece on Namibia it is not intended to give people an in-depth view of the militarisation of our country. A Militarisation Dossier published by the Human Awareness Programme, The Southern African Catholic Bishops Conference, and the South African Council of Churches, is in the process of production. This Dossier will deal in more depth with all issues relating to conscription and militarisation in general.

This pack includes:

1. A copy of the evidence that ECC submitted to the Geldenhuys Committee last year. It explains in detail the reasons behind our call to end conscription and also includes an explanation of our secondary demands.
2. The declaration booklet. This booklet explains the various clauses in the declaration and spells each out in more detail.
3. The declaration itself, in both English and Afrikaans.
4. A short article on Namibia published in INTERNOS, the newsletter of the SACBC. ECC branches across the country have found this article very useful, and although a bit dated, it still makes for interesting reading.
5. A diagrammatic presentation of the structures of ECC.

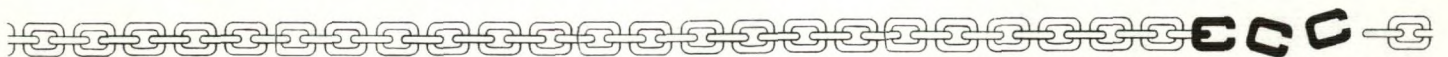
The pack is in no ways a complete picture of the ECC. Through the work itself Pretoria ECC will influence the style and character of ECC nationally. Further national gatherings and contact, also help develop the dynamism and creativity of the campaign.

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ECC PRETORIA: WORKSHOP ON CONSCRIPTION: 7 JUNE 1986

1. Introduction
2. Overseas video coverage; "WITNESS TO APARTHEID".
3. The townships; UDF speaker.
4. Discussion on the input;
 - What does the video tell us about the role the SADF is playing in SA? How do we understand the role of the SADF?
 - Why are we opposed to conscription?
 (We will break into small groups for these discussions)
5. Our opposition to conscription; Annemarie Rademeyer (JHB ECC Exec).
6. Conscientious Objection and the Law; Stephen Lowry and Andries Klaasens.
7. ECC as an organisation; David Shandler (National Secretary).



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Dear friends

This is the first of what will be a regular newsletter from the Pretoria branch of ECC.

Soon after launching Pretoria ECC in May this year, we were confronted with the state of emergency. To us it appeared that the regulations were aimed specifically at crippling ECC. We decided to abandon public meetings for the time being and to concentrate instead on building our organizational infrastructure. A group met from June onwards to achieve this aim.

These meetings culminated in our participation in the nation-wide "Right to Speak" campaign. Details of this campaign were conveyed in the information package we sent you. Our primary objective in this campaign was to assert that ECC is not banned. ECC is a legal organization and we are prepared to campaign vigorously to retain our legality.

The enclosed questionnaire arose from the perception, following the "Right to Speak" campaign, that ECC needs to develop a local style of operation in Pretoria. We would like all our supporters to contribute to the creation of this style by completing and returning the questionnaire. If we are to campaign on behalf of our supporters, and hopefully with the active participation of many of them, Pretoria ECC must reflect the particular composition and views of this group. So please respond to the questionnaire and let us know what you think.

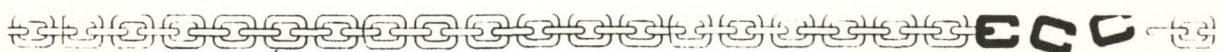
It has been proposed that our next nation-wide campaign, to be undertaken early on in the new year, should focus on the cost of war to the country and to its people. Where is the militarization of S.A. society leading us? What is sacrificed in the process in terms of our humanity as well as our long-term security?

We will supply you with more information about this campaign as soon as it gets under way.

Finally, to facilitate the smooth and effective running of Pretoria ECC, an executive committee has been elected. At our next public meeting we will clarify how Pretoria ECC is now structured.

Regards

DIRK KLOPPER



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Geagte vriende

Hierdie is die eerste van 'n reeks gereelde A.T.K-nuusbriewe.

Kort nadat Pretoria-A.T.K Mēimaand vanjaar van stapel gestuur is, is ons met die noodtoestand gekonfronteer. Dit het vir ons oorgekom asof die regulasies doelbewus daarop gemik was om A.T.K te kelder. Dit het vir ons 'n groot mate van onsekerheid meegebring. Ons het derhalwe besluit om ons openbare vergaderings tydelik te staak en om ons daarop toe te lê om 'n organisatoriese infrastruktuur tot stand te bring. 'n Groep van ons het met hierdie doel voor oë van Juniemaand af gereeld byeengekom.

Hierdie vergaderings het uitgeloop op ons deelname aan die landswye "Right to Speak"-veldtog. Besonderhede van hierdie veldtog is in die inligtings pakket wat ons aan u afgestuur het vervat. Ons hoofdoel met die veldtog was om te verklaar dat A.T.K nie verban is nie. A.T.K is 'n wettige organisasie en ons is vasbeslote om 'n lewenskragtige veldtog te voer om ons wettige voortbestaan te verseker.

Die ingeslote vraelys het na die "Right to Speak"-veldtog ontstaan deurdat ons bewus geword van die behoefte aan 'n modus operandi eie aan Pretoria. Ons sou graag wou hê dat al ons ondersteuners tot die skepping van hierdie styl sou bydra deur die vraelys te voltooi en aan ons terug te stuur. As ons moet optree namens hierdie ondersteuners, hopelik met die aktiewe medewerking van baie van hulle, moet Pretoria A.T.K noodwendig die besondere samestelling en standpunte van die groep reflekteer. Dus voltooi asseblief die vraelys en laat ons weet wat u in gedagte het.

Daar is reeds voorgestel dat ons volgende landswye veldtog wat vir vroeg aanstaande jaar beplan word, op die koste van oorlogvoering vir die land en sy mense gemik moet wees. Waarheen lei die militarisasie van die Suid-Afrikaanse samelewing ons? Wat moet ons aan menslikheid sowel as aan ons langtermyn veiligheid opoffer?

Sodra hierdie veldtog geloods is, sal ons u van verdere inligting voorsien.

Ten slotte, om die vlot en doeltreffende bestuur van Pretoria A.T.K te vergemaklik, is daar 'n uitvoerende komitee gekies. By ons volgende openbare vergadering sal ons verduidelik hoe Pretoria A.T.K tans saamgestel is.

Groete

Dirk Klopper

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QUESTIONNAIRE

ECC is currently reassessing its role in Pretoria. To help facilitate this process, please answer the following three questions and return this questionnaire to the above address as soon as possible.

Bear in mind that although ECC aims primarily at campaigning to bring about change in the legislation governing conscription, it also takes up related campaigns such as "Troops out of the Townships", "Construction not Conscription", and "The Right to Speak".

1. WHAT CAMPAIGNS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE LAUNCHED BY ECC IN PRETORIA ?

2. WHAT TYPES OF ACTIVITIES SHOULD ECC ENGAGE IN TO PROMOTE THESE CAMPAIGNS ?

3. WHAT CONTRIBUTION WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE ?

- a) signing the ECC declaration
- b) receiving and passing on information (newsletters etc.)
- c) active participation
- d) compiling media (pamphlets, newsletters)
- e) administrative (addressing envelopes, compiling adress lists)
- f) other (please specify)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

POSTAL CODE: _____.

PLEASE MAKE COPIES AND PASS ON TO FRIENDS

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VRAELYS

A.T.K is tans besig om sy rol in Pretoria te herwaardeer. Om hierdie proses te vergemaklik, beantwoord asseblief die volgende drie vrae en stuur hierdie vraelys aan die bogenoemde adres so gou as moontlik.

Let asseblief daarop dat alhoewel A.T.K se hoofdoelstelling die wysiging van die wetgewing t.o.v konskripsie is is ons ook bedrywig met verwante veldtogte soos "Troops out of the Townships", "Construction not Conscription", en "The Right to speak".

1. WATTER VELDTOGTE SOU U GRAAG IN PRETORIA WOU SIEN PLAASVIND ?

2. WATTER BEDRYWIGHEDE MOET A.T.K GEBRUIK OM HIERDIE VELDTOGTE TE BEVORDER ?

3. WATTER BYDRAE SOU U WOU MAAK ?

- a) die A.T.K verklaring onderteken
- b) inligting ontvang en versprei (nuusbriewe ens.)
- c) aktiewe deelname
- d) media voorberei (pamflette,nuusbriewe)
- e) administratief (koeverte adresseer,adreslyste saamstel)
- f) ander (spesifiseer asseblief)

NAAM: _____

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