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# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AFRICAN WOMEN HEADQUARTERS

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17th March 1959.

Miss S. Barnett,  
P.O. Box 97,  
JOHANNESBURG.

20 MAR 1959

Dear Madam,

May I again send to you a copy of our conference minutes which I kindly request you to make 120 copies for me. Our conference was rather long owing to the 21st eele birthday celebration, but I tried to make the minutes as short as possible. I am rather late this year in sending my minutes to you but I hope you will do the best you can as you have always done in the past.

I shall also be sending you a copy of the General Secretary's Report and also a copy of the General Executive Report. I shall also require 120 copies of each. I have already got copies of the Presidential ~~report~~ Address, so you will not have to bother about that.

Further I shall not burden you with Mrs Ballinger's address and that of Mrs Ida Newton and Miss L.M. Mackenzie I shall just see to those.

I shall be pleased to have this work done as soon as it will be convenient for you, I am fully aware of your great responsibility. Expect the General Secretary's Report and the General Executive Report this week-end.

Yours sincerely,

L. S. Masuabi

Gen. Secretary

National Council of African Women



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1st May, 1959.

Mrs L.S. Masuabi,  
National Council of African Women,  
144, Claude Street,  
Greenpoint,  
Beaconsfield,  
CAPE.

Dear Mrs. Masuabi,

Minutes of A.G.M. December 1958

My sincere apologies for keeping you waiting so long for your minutes, but although I was able to have them typed some time ago, unfortunately our roneo department has been working at full pressure for many weeks. However, I have now sent them off under separate cover.

Allow me to congratulate you on your excellent minuting - I found them most interesting. In the interests of brevity, in consultation with our Field Officer, I made one or two slight amendments, which I trust you will find in order.

I have not had a reply to my letter of last month about publications. As you will remember, it stated that unless we heard to the contrary, we would take the liberty of NOT sending our occasional publications to you. Since I have not heard from you, I have assumed that you only require the News and Journal.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss) Sheila Barnett,  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



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Miss S. Barnett,  
S. A. Institute of Race Relations,  
P. O. Box 97,  
JOHANNESBURG.

11 8 MAY 1959

Dear Madam,

I wish to thank you once more for your very kind co-operation. I received the minutes in tact and I have been able to despatch same to the different branches in good time.

May I again thank you for your congratulations and assistance to make my minutes as presentable as they are. I hope it will always give you pleasure to do so in future.

Re your letter with regard to publications, I would you send me just the News and Journal until you receive further notice from me.

Wishing you every success.

Yours sincerely,

L. S. Masuabi

Gen. Secretary

National Council of African Women



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18th December 1959

Miss Horrell,  
Institute of Race Relations,  
P.O. Box 97,  
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Dear Miss Horrell, National Council of African Women : Annual Meeting

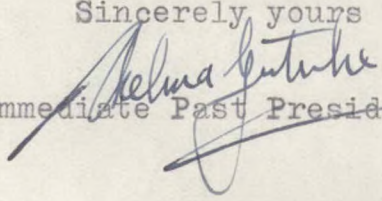
Returning last night from Graaff Reinet where the above meeting was held in the Methodist Church Hall in the location, I hasten again to thank you, both on my own behalf and that of the National Council of African Women, for your very kind assistance in making possible the lecture on "The Legal Status of African Women" which the Council so ardently desired.

In delivering the script with which you so kindly provided me, I gave a clear statement of its origin and concluded by expressing the gratitude of my audience and myself for the very valuable information which it gave. I must confess that we were all rather stupefied by the complexity of the matter but the subsequent discussion lasted for a full hour. Your suggestion that Study Groups should be formed seemed more acceptable to the convocation than a proposal thrown out by me that the Government be asked to appoint a commission to investigate the Legal Disabilities of African Women in a manner similar to the previous one dealing with White Women. The president, Mrs Mesedi, stated that if the Council seemed diffident in accepting either, it did not mean that they were timorous but rather that they were cautious. In fact, owing to the typically vague manner of African women, I was unable at the end to determine what they had decided to do. It is possible that at the conclusion of the Conference on the 19th December (I was unable to stay for its full course), they may formulate a resolution.

We were all very regretful that you could not yourself be there but I must ask you to accept my assurance that your kind assistance was very greatly appreciated and by no one more so than me.

My best wishes for Christmas and the New Year

Sincerely yours

  
Immediate Past President



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AFRICAN WOMEN.

Motto: Do unto others as you would they should do unto you.

22nd Annual Conference held at Graff Reinet,  
16th-19th December, 1959.

Theme : No Barriers are Insurmountable.  
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P R O G R A M M E .

Wednesday, 16th.

1 p.m. . . . . Lunch. . . . .  
2.30 p.m. . . . . Executive Meeting. . . . .  
6 p.m. . . . . Supper . . . . .  
7.30 p.m. . . . . Executive (continued.). . . . .

Thursday, 17th.

8 a.m. . . . . Breakfast. . . . .  
9 a.m. . . . . Devotions. . . . Rev.D.J.Mapekula. . . . .  
9.30 a.m. . . . . Roll Call and Registration. . . . .  
10 a.m. . . . . Introduction of V.I.P (Mrs.Rubridge).  
Official Opening . . . by His Worship  
the Mayor, Mr.Knott-Craig.  
11 a.m. . . . . Tea. . . . .  
11.30 a.m. . . . . Minutes & Matters arising therefrom.  
1 p.m. . . . . L u n c h . . . . .  
2.30 p.m. . . . . Address by Dr.Thelma Gutsche,  
Immediate Past President of N.C.W. (H.Q).

Subject: "The Legal Status of African Women".

D I S C U S S I O N S .

3.30 p.m. . . . . Welcome Address by representative local  
Manyanos.  
4 p.m. . . . . Tea. . . . .  
4.10 p.m. . . . . Business . . . . .  
6 p.m. . . . . Supper . . . . .

Friday, 18th.

8 a.m. . . . . Breakfast. . . . .  
9 a.m. . . . . Devotions. . . . by Rev.E.A.Sobukwe . . . . .  
9.30 a.m. . . . . Resolutions & Discussions. . . . .  
10 a.m. . . . . Presidential Address. . . . .  
11 a.m. . . . . Tea . . . . .  
11.30 a.m. . . . . Executive Report. . . . .  
1 p.m. . . . . L u n c h . . . . .  
2.30 p.m. . . . . Secretary's Report & Correspondence . . . . .  
4 p.m. . . . . Tea. . . . .  
4.30 p.m. . . . . Treasurer's Report & Discussions . . . . .  
6 p.m. . . . . S u p p e r . . . . .  
7.30 p.m. . . . . Memorial Service.  
8.30 p.m. . . . . F r e e d o m . . . . M.R.A. Film. . . . .

Saturday, 19th.

8 a.m. . . . . B r e a k f a s t . . . . .  
9 a.m. . . . . Devotions. . . . .  
9.30 a.m. . . . . Regional Reports. . . . .  
11 a.m. . . . . Tea. . . . .  
11.30 a.m. . . . . President's Report on Activities . . . . .  
12 p.m. . . . . Unfinished Business. . . . .  
1 p.m. . . . . L u n c h . . . . .  
2.30 p.m. . . . . Reports by Representatives :-

- (1) S.A.Institute of Race Relations.
- (2) National Council for Child Welfare.
- (3) Mendi Memorial.
- (4) National Council of Women. (S.A.). . . . .

3.30 p.m. . . . . Election of Officials for the Ensuing Year.  
Venue of next Conference.

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20th March 1959.

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Dear Miss Barnett,

Enclosed please find the minutes of the general executive and also the general secretary's report.

Also make 120 copies of each.

Wishing you every success.

Yours sincerely,

L. S. Masuabi

Gen. Secretary

National Council of African Women

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