

needs

- Must be clear.
- Workload \neq out of sync
- Clear direction
- +ve message
- Clear aim a directive
- Attractive ; educative campaign - reproduce org.
- Feasible.
- Set objectives in terms of everything we do.
- Make max. impact in terms of resources
- Create public awareness
- Embarrass state.
- Mustn't try and direct campaign towards mass mobilisation
- Find a place where it slots into broader refugee campaigns.
- Make impact on decision / policy makers.
- End in recruitment and success for E.C.C.
- Build support

- Appealing

- National

- Max. impact min. effort

- in touch with politics of the day - power politics - ANC UP
- +ve / peace orientated
= needs to pick up on issues of the day

Assessment of Criteria

Must be national in nature -

Max. impact min. effort - look realistically at strengths and

Must be in touch with politics of the day - ^{Issues} power politics
+ve / peace orientated
current issues of days

Clear objectives - see end goal of activities

Positive message - relate back to current politics

Maintaining and building organisation so far as it facilitates our need to campaign.

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→ Internationale Betrekkingen
O.Z.

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237.

1012 DC.

Amsterdam

Netherlands

Dlamini.

5.1 Lobbying Work.

National Conference -

Approach Stoffel van der Merwe - wrote letter which was replied - didn't agree with perception of E.C.C.
Sent letter to Magnus ~~but~~ no reply.

Issues:

What if: Magnus replies - vely?

- = write back to Magnus.
- = go directly to F.W.
- = multi media mudblast.

Parliamentary Defence Committee - was considered - more political issue.

Awaiting reply from Magnus - if he says no - the state must be embarrassed if government doors are closed.

- Should be moved into a National campaign - other regions to publicize
- Opens space for other regions to present demands if C.T. pulls it off.

Time limit - responses came very slowly - Laurie Nathan to follow up. should be \pm 2 weeks time max.

Cape Town will continue with this issue

to choose delegation - won't be solely C.T. - will include a boyer + prominent C.O.

Branches should decide who goes provided the grouping allowed is big enough.

Lobbying ANC - see 'Lobbying the ANC: A discussion Paper.'

Proposal that must go to the regions

- ~~the~~ NC = post-banning - discussions about chatting to ANC

Not focussed contact - struggled to get issues taken seriously

Clarification points

Objectives and focus must be discussed regionally.
Consistency must reign throughout whole process.

Delegation defines the extent of issues raised.

Reactions

- Go ahead - but concerns about resources to be able to pull it off.
- Process should happen - ? whether extra effort on regional basis will have extra impact on ANC.
- National delegation must happen within next 2 months before return of exiles
- Bloem - contact with ANC - feasible
- Durban - E.C.C. region = approach ANC on regional level
- Montzberg - haven't discussed it - not sure of situation

Easy to organise an internal process than formal.

Issues - who meets

- how issues raised

- comments on process.

Emphasised that regions must move as quickly as possible.

Delegation

Grahamstown - general E.C.C. - including churches etc.
Bloem - " " D.P., interest groups
Durban - "
Solberg - E.C.C. with exec.
C. T - E.C.C.
E.L - E.C.C.
Mantzburg - prob. just E.C.C. maybe broader.

Most E.C.C. people are members of other orgs.

Please adhere strictly to the laid out timetable.

5.2 The Safe Return of War Resisters - ~~Saint~~ Roddy.

- 'Return of Exiled War Resisters'
- "The Safe Return of Exiled War Resisters."

Problems.

COSAWOR will become a political force within the country - E.C.C. will be doing majority of press work here.
- Lobbying of embassies by COSAWOR - E.C.C. could do the same here.

- 1) Campaigns too centralized in Jhb
→ Things have been set - dates times etc. have been done!

Statements and endorsements - can be put in all newspapers nationally. Media will be distributed nationally to be completed.
Media: must have content not only on returnees.

National to contact COSAWOR to get names of returnees who have returned already.

Buzzgroups - new publicity ideas

- United Nations - European parliament - pass resolutions on ^{war} resisters
 - creating pre-awareness publicity a an the day
 - stickers - shopping centres
 - posters
 - Reverse the broadroads
 - Celebrity endorsements - create a appealing as pos.
- At time:

- Carte Blanche
- network
- Postcards - presented to someone - visible.
- Articles in mags, newspapers - about problems they have - personalised articles
- Method: exile ≠ easy
 coming back to build brighter future.
 → power politics - embassies - but. a Dutch
 - F.W
 → publicity.

Publicity could be done by campus branches when they will not be in session in November.

Postcards

Wangberg - priv. effort for max. gain.

Good way to engage public. -

- used to lobby maybe F.W to not press charges.
- People who sign postcards = committed to the cause.

Network - SABC

Contact them and offer help and info for programmes.

Overall message

Exiles are returning to build the future - don't jail them.
 Play down small number. - symbolic, testing the H₂O
 - Statistics

Tasks

Postcards -

Celebs - regionals

Articles - exiles to write articles - C.T = Cosmo Job = Fair Lady

Embassies - regional specific. - letter by National.

M.N = Europ. par. = National

media group - Toffy

Mandy Taylor

Mila

} content of pamphlet / postcard
numbers of media.
Public statement Process suggestions

5.3. Peace Festival (Durban)

- would be stretching resources to far
- \therefore suggest day/night event in Durban region (Jan/Feb 1991)
- other regions may also like to organise on similar basis & dates
- Full Feasibility study not undertaken
- regions to decide individually, must motivate on national basis if that is suggested

5.4 Ambulance Project (Cape Town).

- Cape Town submitted written proposal (attached)
- timing Dec 90, Jan 91
- cost \pm R300 000 to be raised through loans, discussed Financial Feasibility
- project could be controversial
- doesn't really meet our objectives
- project not realistically achievable, should rather be offered to other organizations

5.5. CCB

- what further should we do?
- Brief review of regional activities on CCB
- be alert to opportunities when Report is released, also continue existing information activities (eg video, house meetings)
- National will continue to distribute IBR papers on issue
- Our public reaction will be important
- Booklet on CCB (Human Rights Commission) - press launch Tues 4 Sept
- cost \pm R1 each (Branch allocations) given to Roddy Payne

5.6 Violence in S.A - Natal & Tvl

- Brief reports on violence in Tvl & Natal
- Tvl violence - impression that not likely to ~~continue~~ continue medium-term
no real monitoring role for us but must be aware of security force involvement

- Natal violence - involved in informing community of their rights (Know your rights)
 - pamphlet being drawn up (50-60 000 to be distributed in the townships) including monitoring contacts etc
 - mediating - arranged meeting between Security Forces & 2 factions in one area
 - initial response to SADF involvement good - lately large no. of accusations of atrocities, lack of partiality.
 - ECC only org monitoring SADF role, trying to involve other org's, have referred info to lawyers
 - copies of pamphlet to be circulated
- War Toys campaign - historically worked in Durban, could be run regionally
 - Durban & Mbog likely to take it up.

Catev
Lutter

Lossed.

5.7. Objectors & CO Movement (UCT)

a) Doug Torr

- proposal from UCT attached re more militant response (sit-ins)
- proposal includes masses of media beforehand
- take back to regions, idea of more militant response & appropriate
- mass action at same time countrywide, suggested
- channel anger of objectors
- discussed type of action and whether under ECC banner
- referred back to UCT for fuller motivation

b) Stand of Objectors & COSATU Paper

- letter from Huddleston Register group (to be taken back to branches)
- suggest releasing of register figures on 30 Nov (agreed)
- likely to be on fairly low-key basis, Grahamstown may be exception
- COSATU suggestion on explicit call on conscripts not to serve - national committee general feeling against ECC or Register making such a statement
- Branches to consider (timing is important)

5.8 Reconciliation work (Bloemfontein)

- report back on Welkom
- 2 peace picnics held, march all successful, other than 1 incident on March
- sports & fun day being planned
- initiative being taken by people of Welkom

5.9 Policy

Comments on doc

- 1) - possible streamlining of process
- 2) - consensus on issues \Leftrightarrow unity of org
- 3) - do we have time for proper policy.

1) Process: drop ~~the~~ the circulation mentioned in 3.4

2) We can implement policy even if we don't have consensus.

- but all regions must agree on the issue

- Troops in Townships - doc. to be discussed in regions
- ANS doc - ~~to be~~ (still to come from Cape Town) - same as Troops in T.S.
- 10 point plan - also to be discussed

Branches must: ^{Discuss} ~~discuss~~ role of policy, refine the 3 doc and comment on before 15 Oct.

5.10 Cosawr

What happens to - COSAWR

- its publication Resistor

doc to be discussed in regions

6 Priority



9 COSG Conference

from 21/9 - 23/9

Criteria for our reps : tolerance
experience in COSG
able to represent interests of ECC

Roddy, Marc, Ken to go

Issues : Safe return
Doug Torr
Lobbying
The Stand
ECC - COSG relations

11 National Contact and Communication

National contact has been OK - but due to Roddy's phoning Stellenbosch? Cape Town to make contact

Mailing list: Do we need one

Ask COSG to cover ECC events in their mailing list

Sunday morning.

2000.
500
2500.

2000 - Tax
500 - Tax

Point 7.

Areas of work.

1. Lobbying. ANC. - 21st/9. for comment + feed
— See attached paper.

Media report.

— Types of media —

— Pamphlet.	} essential media.
— Postcard.	
— Advert.	
— Statement poster	} Regional initiatives.
— stickers	
— T. shirt.	

— Need a unifying graphic for all media.

— Postcard + Advert should have much the same content.
↳ go for as broad a range of people as possible.

— content — Start of with figures of people who have left because of mil service.

2. Professions highlighted.
3. Small group returning to test the waters.
4. — Demands
 - No prosecutions.
 - No call up.

- Pamphlet. — A4 divided in 3.
 - Include on back — broad national campaign details.
 - Background as to why people left.
 - Figures and statistics.
 - Demands.

— Time

- Now to 2 weeks to get graphic. — Sub + Ght.
- By end of September — Post Card + Advert ready.
- By middle October — Pamphlet and other media ready.

— Idea of "Dave Base" style advert.

- Need to raise some money towards advert. — R5 per organisation or individual.

— Personal content. — registers writing stories.

- hart reading — Experience of Exile.
- Why they are returning.

— Get video to show to regions — Kiptown video.

— Contact COSAWR re Graphic.

- Need graphic for campaign.
- encapsulate campaign.
- Simple design.

- Shb do working of Advert.
- Ght postcards — Shb to organise postbox postal address.
- Pamphlet — Durban campus.
- T-shirt — Wits.

— Any comments on media must be received by end of September.

— Statement poster → UCT to done.

- Postcards — 10,000.
- Posters — ~~2,000~~ 700.
- T-shirts — 250 (let Shb pay it by ear).
- Pamphlet — 15,000 English.
3,000 Afrikaans.

— all media — slick + sharp.

— Remaining issues — see attached paper.

— C.T. Demands press conference. } on the 3rd.
Durban. " " " }

10.

- Treasurer reported.
- 1/2 Allocation will be deposited in accounts of branches.
 - Branches must fax thru account numbers to ityin.
 - Need at end of September — Income + Expenditure and bank balance at beginning + end of period.
Beginning June to End September.

— Need to submit budgets to Kevin by 31st October for 1991.

— Salaries of national workers were increased to R2000 from R1500 p/m and this increase was back dated to July.

UCT OBJECTOR PROPOSAL

Ken give update so we can work on it more immediately.

COSG conference on 21ST SEPT so get information back to Ken by 7TH so he can prepare.

The action proposed is new for ECC ∴ consider it carefully, way it effect on white community + govt. Questions in concern to be discuss

1) How can we ensure that this is a reasonable rational + dignified action?

- of Dave Ten then protest to be led by priests in full dress, family + friends, maybe a celebrity

2) Content? - How are we going to effectively convey the ~~the~~ content & clear reason behind action?

- Press build up before trial so that when people get arrested people know why

- Details for press conference

3) How to ensure ~~it~~ a fair coverage?

- look into clear previous input at press confere + pamphlet explaining reasons behind event.

4) National co-heroin + typ of protest?

- Who is seen as organizing the events? - objectors? friends? ECC? How are things to be organized

- what exactly is the action to be - venues,

where is the press conference - help to have it on the right of press conference

Exact nature & type of protest - dignified response & embarrasses govt. the next - sit ins, chain up.

5) Discuss time period? - drag out will it peter out. Everyone to discuss this and get back to Ken before 17 Sept.

⑩ NATIONAL WORKERS

NATAL OFFICE WORKER PROPOSAL: (Durban Report)

People in DBN feel very strongly about this. Nobody has the time as they have jobs and there's a call from other organizations for help. ECC in DBN is only organization focusing on SADF in townships. More troops than police in townships. SADF & Police don't have a good working relationship, SADF arrogant, in charge but have no real idea of law enforcement, rather they have battle tactics. ∴ ECC need to ensure that they play non-biased role.

NC can't make decision but can give out recommendations.

Questions:

- Intended as short term position? - year contract, normal conditions of workers, paid by ECC
- Police in control of SADF? ECC look at all law enforcement structures. SADF under police is a theoretical theoretical.
- See that there is a need but why an ECC person? Only a monitoring post?

Office worker deal with ECC work general & field work. The other organizations have people & can't deal with the work load. Because nobody is specifically dealing with SADF they do want

what they want. We ~~are~~ traditional look at SAOP
so if somebody must do that it must be us.
When the troops in Township issue there was
neg feed back - "If you want troops in you
must monitor them"

- Would the person deal with PNB as well?
~~or~~ People felt DBN area would require one person
alone + wouldn't have time to deal with PNB
- Anyone in mind?

a number of people, back round in ECC. Some are
research, have the Skills. Kerry, Mike Craaf.

- unclear on what exactly role of this person would
be + why full time.

1/2 day or full day worker ok, but there is alot
of work.

- We should assess if we should be playing such a
role - should we have a full time ECC person there
and budget is not prepared for this.

Role would essentially be field worker, just full office too.

- Good idea - rather field worker for DBN + PNB & not
office worker. Fit in well with reconciliation
& reconstruction from Natter conference theme

- Difficult to motivate such a decision, money involved
therefore need a more thorough proposal of
how info obtained used. How ECC fits into.

Role relate to particular Skills person has

- We've come out with 'Troops in Townships' that
they must be monitored so we must do it now
- not humph for along time, rather streamline
to get on with the proposal

- Financially could we start now - if we don't make a decision on another national organizer we could finance a field worker
- We need to define exactly what role this person must play, full time / 1/2 time, PNB's involvement etc. Hopefully by next week we have to get regions opinions
- NC send motivation defining position.
- Branches should feel free to nominate, sent to natal and then natal makes the decision of who.

NOMINATIONS OR OTHER SUGGESTIONS FOR NATIONAL SEC.

Is there going to be a vacume? There are alot of tasks to be done ∴ Roddy see it useful to have two people. One person could but redefinition of job needed eg: hand out task of news klippings.

Organization isn't as big as anticipated therefore not essential to have two people. Kevin is Treasure therefore less worker.

Obtain of 1/2 time admin worker.

There choice - make new national worker

- 1/2 time worker

- Roddy do it all.

1/2 time worker not really effective for time period concerned.

Decide to let Roddy handle everything by himself, the limit being on his travelling.

RODDY'S PROGRAMME

- This week tie up NC
- Due to other arrangements in Sept 2 full time weeks for travelling.
- October stay for travel
- Nov - returns business in JHB
- He's happy to work from ^{now to} next NC. But not from then

ASSESSMENT.

positive, negative, way forward.

+

- organized well
- time well used
- ~~participation wasn't entirely even~~
- Steering committee good
- positive direction & national unity gained
- discussion very thorough
- realistic

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- participation wasn't entirely even
- Info we got on arrival could have been distributed before
- Sat was 2 intense ∴ concentration got lost
- no action planed about call up in Jan
- buzzing in garden lost it

way forward

- more Booze
- give out documents before say: Ken's proposal could have been discussed before
- NC direction to needed to speed up discussion
- tighter chair
- + more breaks
- change buzz groups
- more people in group + longer time
- consider Jan call up, considering that campuses are on vacation.

MOTION ON MANDY TAYLOR

This NC

1. Noting

- ① Mandy's supreme dedication to the Anti-Military Movement
- ② the fact that she has been acting as ECE's national organiser since our unbanning
- * ④ at the beginning of this year
- ③ the fact that she has just ended her term as national organiser and over 16 months as a full time worker in the Anti-Conscription movement.

and believing that

- ① She has done sterling work in the revival of ECE
- ② that her commitment, enthusiasm & organisational abilities have been outstanding
- ③ that she is jolly nice and we are going to miss her

Resolves to

- ① Formally thank Mandy for the role ~~to~~ she has played in ECE + COSG.
- ② Wish her well for her future career
- ③ ~~Give her a big hug~~

* Mandy's incisive role in COSG as the national worker and her political direction during this difficult and complicated period in the anti-conscription movement's history.

① Lobbying:

- ANC : • Regions have until 21st to comment on document.
- Proposal re-circulated by 27th Sept
 - Feedback by 4 Oct
 - Regions must meet with Reg ANC execs - report to N.O. by 31 Oct
 - N.O. meeting with ANC by 15 Nov
" co-ordinates agenda + reps

② Safe Return: Sept: Media; Statement; ^{- TV: SABC, MNET} endorsement ^{Commo, Style Fair Lady} & Postcards

Oct: collecting endorsements
Postcards cont.

Media report
Nov: ~~23~~ 19-30 - Press build-up
24-29: Streets Posters, Stickers
~~30~~

Dec: 1st - Press Conf
→ CO stand
→ Concert in evening
2nd → Regional activities
3rd → Press conf's etc

③ CCS - : ONGOING

- Regions react to report
- booklets - sent to influential people

④ Violence: No national programme

- Regions to deal with as seen fit

- ⑤ UCT OBSECTOR ACTION:
- Report to go to COSG Conference & regions
 - Mike Gray to be sentenced Oct 2

- ⑥ STAND OF OBSECTORS:
- 1st December
 - Steady recruitment
 - forms to be a NO. by Mon 19th November

- ⑦ POLICY: 15 Oct to respond to Troops in Township, ANS & 10-point plan

- ⑧ Next NC: ~~Nov~~ 1/2/3 Feb 1991 - to choose tomorrow ^{EoL?}

~~CONCEPTUAL OVERVIEW~~

The Future

- ① We acknowledge we may not have a long term future; but it will be dealt with at next NC
- Regions to assess but no decisions
 - Politics is fluid.

MANDRAX

- Ken to do motion

Assessment Buzz, + - How do we deal with

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