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Dear Friend and Supporter

Following the ECC National Conference held in February this year, each region has been preparing for the launch of a national campaign for alternative service. Our conference identified the need to be campaigning more actively in support of our practical goals, viz:

1. that every conscript who in good conscience for religious and political reasons, cannot serve in the SADF, be given an opportunity to do alternative service;
2. that such alternative service be of the same length as military service and available in religious and/or community organisations;
3. that serving national servicemen be granted the right to refuse to serve in the townships, Namibia and Angola.

We believe that these objectives are reasonable and attainable. The Campaign for Alternative National Service therefore seeks to generate support for such a call and to involve large numbers of the public in an attempt to realise these goals.

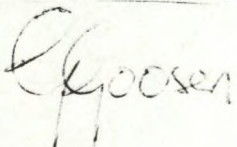
The Campaign itself will involve three components:

1. The provision of a service to conscripts and their families, regarding the rights and obligations of the servicemen in the army, and the psychological and other effects of military service;
2. A substantial Alternative Service Project ( eg. building a clinic) in a deprived black community. The project aims to be a practical expression of the potential for alternative service;
3. A consultative conference drawing on a range of interested parties and aimed at formulating a proposal for an Alternative Service scheme which could be implemented.

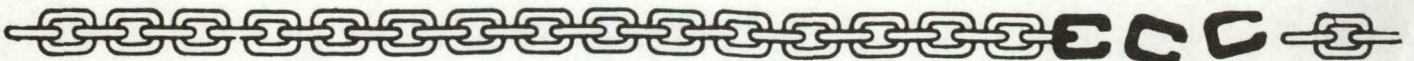
We ask that you support us in our endeavour to introduce a form of national service which would benefit all South Africans, and contribute to a peaceful and just solution to the problems of our country.

In the course of the campaign, we will require your assistance on a number of levels. Involvement need not take up too much of your time. Should you be interested we will be mailing a more comprehensive list of potential tasks or you could phone the ECC office : 47 8818.

Yours sincerely



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