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JOINT CONGRESS COMMITTEE,
CAPE WESTERN ~~AREA~~ Region,
P.O. Box 4552,
CAPE TOWN.

15/7/55

The Secretary,
P.O. Box 11045,
Johannesburg.

Dear Friend,

I acknowledge your letter of the 5/7/55 and will put it before my committee. We eagerly await the plans you mention for putting the Freedom Charter before the people and hope it will arrive soon. We wish to emphasise the importance of striking while the iron is hot and the people ~~will~~ enthusiastic about the Charter. We are particularly keen that the Charter should be printed immediately. I shall propose to my committee that the Charter should be printed in Xosa by us. We could thus bear part of the financial burden. At the same time we hope that we will soon receive the English and Afrikaans copies from you. We must point out that the Western Cape finds English ~~quite~~ quite insufficient as a medium for reaching the people. Perhaps more than in any other area we have to use the vernacular of the people, English in the towns, Xosa and Afrikaans in the country. Please inform us by return of post how soon we can expect your printed Charters.

Enclosed you will find our report on the G.O.P. with

With best regards to all friends,

Yours fraternally,

D.P. Secretary.

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CAPE WESTERN

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The Secretary ,
J.C.C.,
P.O.Box 11045,
Johannesburg.

Dear Friend,

We welcome the decision to hold a Million signature campaign for the Freedom Charter. We pledge ourselves to do our utmost to fulfill our target in the Cape Western.

1). However we would like to know what portion of the 350,000 we are to be responsible for in the Cape Western.

2). We also want to know what are the general mechanics for the campaign, how we are to run it, and so on.

3). We also want to know how soon the signatures forms will be coming down here. Some of our people are getting impatient.

4). We would like guidance from the J.C.C. as to how we should conduct our mass Freedom Charter Conference on the 25th September. At the moment our executive is the same one that carried on the C.O.P. preparations, and it is now time to strengthen it and draw in new people. We therefore wish to want your suggestions on how this should be done. Should we put forward a certain number of people from each sponsoring organisation, or, should there be an open election at the conference.

Please let us have your reply soon.

Yours fraternally,

n.p. Secretary.

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Bewysstuk No.....
 Gekry by A.N.C. Kantor
 Deur S/S Mallet
 Te Johann shupf
 Datum 27/9/55
 Verwysings No.....

57 West Street,
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The Secretary,
 B. Turok,
 Joint Congress Committee,
 P.O.Box 4552,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Friend,

In reply to your letter of the 17th August, for which we have to thank you, we are glad to inform you that the decision of the Joint National Executives Meeting was that a National Consultative Committee consisting of two members from each of the sponsoring organisations should be set up. This formula should also be adopted by the Provincial bodies. The provincial bodies in turn should get the regions or branches to create a similar machinery.

Whilst your directions in this matter are to come from your provincial body, the National Consultative committee is convinced that a delay in this regard will do a great harm to the campaign. We therefore suggest that you should create your provisional regional machinery on the pattern suggested above. The two members from each sponsoring organisation are appointed by their respective organisations.

~~XX~~, With regard to the number of signatures you are responsible, is a matter that must be dealt with by your provincial body. The signature forms shall be sent to you during the next week. In the meantime it will be advisable to set up the machinery in all your constituent bodies.

Directives have been sent out to all the Provincial bodies, that there should be mass conferences in all the main regions on the 18th September which conferences will be used as a kick-off for the campaign. In view of this we do not know whether your conference for the 25th will take place on the 25th. If you are still carrying on with it and you still require our advice we shall be glad to do so.

With greetings and best wishes to all,

Yours for peace and freedom,

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JOINT CONGRESS COMMITTEE,
P.O. Box 4552,
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Our committee is doing its utmost to bring the campaign into action so that everywhere people will place the greatest emphasis on getting signatures. However we cannot do this without the maximum contribution from the sponsoring organisations. To this end we ask you to put the signature campaign on the agenda of your executive, to discuss it fully, and to send us suggestions and recommendations. In this way all the three executives will democratically have a say in the way the campaign should be run.

We hope to receive the results of your deliberations soon and that they will be fruitful.

FORWARD TO A MILLION SIGNATURES ! ! !

Yours fraternally,

P.P. Secretary.

P.S. we shall send you a copy of the minutes of every meeting of the Joint Congress Committee so that you may keep, in the closest contact with our activities.

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JOINT CONGRESS COMMITTEE,
P.O. BOX 4552,
CAPE TOWN.
7/9/55.

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The Secretary,
Joint Congress Committee, (National Consultative Committee.)
P.O.Box 11045,
JOHANNESBURG.

DEAR Friend,

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We wish to remind you that prior to the Congress of the People an attempt was made to set up a Cape Provincial Committee. That attempt failed miserably. All the delegates were arrested and jailed at George, and even though we eventually managed to elect a committee, this committee did not meet again for the remainder of the campaign. We must emphasise that it is from the practical point of view, impossible to administer the Cape Province from one centre. The geographic nature of the Cape as well as the distribution of population makes it essential that at least two regions should exist, and that both should decide its affairs directly under National Consultative Committee. Any other arrangement will mean a great deal of delay and needless confusion.

We wish to point ~~that~~ out that the above has been our experience in the C.O.P. campaign and offer ~~it~~ it as our recommendation for the smooth administration of the Signature campaign.

The letter in question is being circulated to the sponsoring organisations in the Cape Western and they will communicate with you directly.

Yours fraternally,

B. Turok Secretary.

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JOINT CONGRESS COMMITTEE,
P.O. BOX 4582,
CAPE TOWN.
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Joint Congress Committee,
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JOHANNESBURG.

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Secretary.

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