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UDF TRANSVAAL

1. ATTENDANCE

- 1.1 PRESENT : M. Bokala, E. Shabangu, C. Saloojee, M. Chikane, D. Mathe, M. Valli, P. Molefe, L. Vogelman, A. Mokoena, R.A.M. Saloojee and I. Mohammed.
- 1.2 APOLOGIES : N. Pahad, N. Motlana, R. Ndzanga, H. Hlaletoa and F. Baard.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

- 2.1 A letter of invitation to a commemoration service to be held on 8/7/84 was received from the RMC.
- 2.2 A letter from SAYO, ASRO, AFRI- NEWS ASSOCIATION and SAAWU (PRETORIA) was read. The letter calls for the planning of the Votes for all Convention to be suspended and the matter be reopened for discussion at the next General Council meeting.

3. MINUTES

3.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adpted.

3.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MN MINUTES

M. Valli presented a draft registration forms for affiliates. It was decided that those forms be circulated to affiliates for completion.

4. VOTES FOR ALL CONVENTION

It was decided that the convention be suspended in the light of the objections raised by Pretoria affiliates. The matter would be referred back to the General Council. The organising committee was also suspended. It was decided that affiliates be informed about this decision assoon as possible.

5. ANTI ELECTION CAMPAIGN

5.1 A Mokoena was asked to submit a document to the next meeting outlining the Defiance Campaign proposed in order to facilitate decision. It was suggested that the recommendations of the workshop be used as a basis for discussion.

5.2 It was suggested that UDF links up with womens organisations in August 9th Commemorations. This could be incorporated into the Anti Election Campaign.

5.3 It was decided that the following venues be booked for the 18/19 August rally : JHB CITY HALL, REGINA MUNDI, MILNER PARK, AND LENASIA STADIUM.

5.4 MEDIA NIGHT

It was decided that it be suggested to the media committee that the media night be held despite the suspension of the convention.

It could be used to workshop ideas and produce certain media.

6. NATIONAL SECRETARIAT MEETING TO BE HELD ON 7/07/84

P. Molefe motivated the need to have people other than the secretaries at this meeting. It was decided that three people would be sent. These being Titus Mafola and representatives from T.I.C. and Anti P.C. Committee.

7. FINANCE

It was decided that Patrick Lephunya be paid an amount of R300 00 for services rendered by him during the month of June. It was further decided that he would be employed as a full time office worker henceforth. The evaluation commission would be asked to propose a job discription, salary for him and training.

MARS

Guy Berger motivated the request from MARS for a letter of recommendation for the Printing Project. It was decided that such a letter be given to MARS. MARS was requested to submit their request in writing. The letter should also outline the advantages that would accrue to UDF.

9. GENERAL

9.1 P. Molefe was asked to clarify the misunderstanding about the employment of P. Lephunya at the next N.E.C. meeting.

9.2 The R.E.C. not to ratify the N.E.C. decision to suspend H. BARNABAS from the R.E.C. This decision was taken in the light of the fact that the matter has not been resolved by SAAWU.

9.3 D. Mathe reported that a youth rally will be held on 28/07/84. It was suggested by the youth that the rally be held under the banner of the UDF (TVL). D. MATHE was asked to present a more detailed proposals at the next meeting.

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Compared to a month ago or even two, the campaign has picked up some momentum, although it has not as yet reached appreciable levels.

Subsequent to calls made at two previous General Councils activists and affiliates have notable tried to improve on previous performances.

COUNTRY WIDE

The national count as reflected in the mn minutes of the last National Executive Council meeting is as follows.

1. Natal - 35 000	
2. W. Cape - 87 000	
3. TVL - 42 000	
4. N. Cape - 1 600	
5. E. Cape - 17 000	
6. Border - 30 000	
Total	<hr/>
	212 600

TRANSVAAL

As you will notice Transvaal is reported to have collected about 42 000 signatures. The figure was based on the number of signatures already handed in at the office and those which affiliates reported to have already collected after the office had contacted various affiliates to find out.

At the same time the office has sent out circulars to affiliates requesting them to send in all completed forms. But up to know response to this request has been very slow.

Therefore on behalf of the million signature campaign committee, I once more make an appeal to all affiliates and activists alike to please make sure that forms are always sent to the office so that our figures can be properly and accurately updated.

From our quota of 300 000 signatures our deficit is about 258 000 signatures and that is definitely a realisable goal.

HARRASMENT

There is evidently a growing state attempt to make it impossible for us to collect signatures. In the Transvaal and throughout the country reports have been received of the extent to which the state is bent on disrupting the campaign.

- A number of our activists are being detained whilst collecting signatures (I do not have lists of names in my possession)

- Hundreds of signature forms have been confiscated by security police.

- The campaign of disinformation around MSC is being stepped up.

Clearly therefore the state has finally realised the threat posed by the MSC to the new constitutional dispensation.

The MSC- committee appeal to all affiliates and activists to furnish it with all relevant information at all times regarding security police harassment, detention and confiscation of forms.

On page 37 - 38 of the Organiser's handbooks is a chapter on the "signature campaign and the law". The details contained therein are important for everyone.

MSC COMMITTEE

This committee meets on Mondays. As with probably other committees its main problem has been that not all affiliates have sent representatives to serve on it. This imposes serious limitations in its ability to fulfill its functions properly and adequately.

This is especially true when it is faced with the need to take various decisions on behalf of the MSC. This state of affairs also means that it cannot be made fully aware of developments in various areas where signatures are collected.

The committee urges affiliates to seriously look into this matter and thereby also ensure that they also would be fully briefed on developments on this front from time to time.

ANTI CONSTITUTION CAMPAIGN

Following the latest N.E.C. decisions on the need to step up this campaign, the immediate task would be to work out ways in which the MSC could also be intensified at the same time as the proposed or (still to be proposed) campaign plan.

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