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1. GENERAL COUNCILS

Five Regional General Council Meetings have been held since the last NEC. These are now being held once a month. Attendance varies between 60% and 80%.

2. SUB-REGIONS

RGC had appointed a commission to investigate the state of sub-regional structures and to make recommendations with regard to their status. The following recommendations were accepted:

- All existing sub-regional structures to be given full voting rights and allowed delegates at G.C.
- That accreditation be periodically assessed to ensure that sub-regions are maintaining and increasing their ability to reach people in their constituencies.

3. RESTRUCTURING

We have decided to democratise our existing structures to include the vast areas beyond the Peninsula (Rural Areas) in our decision-making process. We will now have an Executive Council consisting of the Western Cape Exec. reps. from each of our rural sub-regions.

An added motivation is that through such ongoing contact we can develop persons who have surfaced politically for the first time and lay a solid foundation for building sound political leadership in areas where organisation had not previously existed.

4. RURAL AREAS

The rural areas had been divided into 4 sub-regional structures, 2 of these (Boland and West Coast) now have properly structured General Councils.

The West Coast was launched at a mass meeting attended by ± 800 people on 14 April.

A workshop was held in the South Western Districts (Oudtshoorn) on 19 May where an ad hoc committee, consisting of individuals from organisations as well as leading community figures, was established. The committee had committed itself to work towards the establishment of a full fledged UDF structure within 6 weeks. The weekend was concluded by a church service led by Dr. Allan Boesak the Sunday. ± 2 500 people attended the service.

5. MILLION SIGNATURE CAMPAIGN

We have crossed the 86 000 mark. We believe that this was possible largely because of the decision to divide our region into sub-regions which were each allocated a number of signatures to collect.

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2. Blitzes need to be followed up by eg. Area mass meetings;
 3. Media around the M.S.C. must be stepped up;
 4. We should aim to round the campaign off by the end of June.

6. ELECTIONS

G.C. had agreed that all organisations should tailor their activities in such a way that it does not detract from an intensive anti-election campaign. All other organisational work should be suspended between June and August.

All sub-regions will be having workshops to discuss an anti-election strategy in their areas. Representatives from these structures will then meet to synthesise the proposals and develop an overall strategy for the Western Cape.

7. CONSCRIPTION (See report from Conscription Sub-committee)

8. REMOVALS

A removals sub-committee had been set up. They will focus on the following:

- (a) Removals from Crossroads - Out of 43 000 residents only 6 000 are "legals" and will be moved to Khayalitsha. The rest will be moved to the bantustans. This process is likely to start in July.
- (b) The government had finally announced that they indeed plan to relocate all residents of the existing African townships, in Khayalitsha. Because of the strong opposition, the government had announced that this is a long term plan which will be phased in gradually. They have however, abandoned Phase 2 and 3 of the planned New Crossroads development. All further developments in the townships had also been stopped.

The demands articulated thus far are:-

1. The abolition of the Homeland system and pass laws; ✓
2. The abolition of the Coloured labour preferential policy;
3. That existing land be used to build houses;
4. If that is inadequate, that houses be built from the boundaries of the township and if it then needs to continue right up to Khayalitsha, then so be it.

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MEETINGS

- (a) A May Day rally was attended by approximately 3 000 people;
- (b) A mass meeting, to follow up a signature blitz, was held in Lavender Hill;
- (c) A meeting, aimed primarily at the white areas, was held in the Claremont Civic Centre and was attended by approximately 1 000 people. International messages of support were received.

10. LEGAL MATTERS

- (a) One of the groups charged for having a motorcade, over the people's weekend, had been fined R50,00 each. They have appealed.
- (b) Our appeal against the state's appeal which got the Supreme Court ruling to set aside the banning of the Rondebosch meeting, cancelled, is currently being heard.
- (c) Some members of our affiliates had been informed that charges were being laid against them for allegedly disrupting a P.C.P. meeting in Mitchell's Plain.
- (d) E. Moosa had been instructed to investigate a libel suit, to be laid against Rapport for publishing a letter where the UDF was linked to the ANC.

11. MEDIA

The following had been produced:-

- (a) UDF News - English/Afrikaans and English/Xhosa editions.
- (b) UDF Nuns - Rural edition in Afrikaans only.
- (c) Pamphlet for West Coast sub-region launching.
- (d) Signature Campaign media
 - "The Call": pamphlet used before blitzes, now out of print.
 - Signature forms (most with Afrikaans and Xhosa translations on the back)
 - Pre-blitz A5 flyer stating that we will be coming into an area to collect signatures. (Afrikaans, ENGLISH and Xhosa).
 - Volunteers handbook.
 - Poster
 - UDF on high prices, G.S.T., wages and the new deal pamphlet left with those who had signed.

- In addition to this, most areas produce area specific pamphlets which link local conditions to the new deal.

(e) Another 700 T-shirts with "Join a million Sign against Apartheid" on the back have been printed and sold.

Total T-shirts sold thus far = 3 000.

A further 2 T-shirts with the slogans "We won't go to Khayalitcha" and "Don't vote for Apartheid" will be produced.

(f) 2 May Day buttons were produced by one of our sub-regions.

(g) A pamphlet, a flyer, a sticker and a glossy brochure had been produced for May Day.

(h) A poster and a pamphlet on prices/poverty was produced for churches.

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Most of these sub-regions organise blitzes at least fortnightly. In addition to these, joint blitzes are held in areas where little or no organisation exists and/or are too vast for sub-regions to cover. Three such blitzes have been held, in Heideveld, Elsies River and Mitchells Plain. (A fourth blitz, in Crossroads, took place yesterday.)

An assessment workshop was held on 23 April where the following proposals (subsequently endorsed by GC) were made:

- (1) Thorough training should be provided for UDF volunteers to ensure that our signatures collected are meaningful;

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