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Dear Friends,

We are all undoubtedly aware of an upsurge or dissatisfaction among the oppressed people and a growing crisis in our country.

In an attempt to contain our dissatisfaction, maintain and even strengthen the hated "Apartheid System", they introduced the "reform proposals" and Koornhof Orderly Movement Bills. These Bills will hound many thousands of the oppressed out of the cities and towns.

We are convinced that the proposed racial tricameral system only offers "Coloureds" and "Indians" a semblance of rights; that it is heavily loaded in favour of Whites; that it entrenches white minority rule; that it even goes as far as attempting to conscript our youth to defend the borders of Apartheid (The Rand Daily Mail - 22/9/83, quotes P.W. Botha as saying... "that provision had already been made for the conscription of coloureds, but that this had not been done because coloureds up until now had no political rights".)

These reforms are also further means of dividing our communities and are designed to retard our struggle for a just South Africa.

But organisations throughout South Africa have rallied against these proposals. In the light of this, the Transvaal Anti-PC was formed. It is moreover, particularly heartening to witness the progressive stand taken by trade unions, churches, community, sport and youth organisations.

This is a clear demonstration that we can unite in action. There is a growing need for all of us to speak out with one voice against these evils perpetrated against us and work towards a unitary non-racial South Africa.

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