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LISTEN YOUNG FRIEND



TURN THE PAGE. IT'S YOUR LIFE WE'RE DISCUSSING . . . AND
YOUR'E THE ONE WHO CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

LISTEN FRIEND . . .

Yes it's you I mean — Amrit, Amina, Marimoothu, or whatever your name is—

What are you interested in? Football? Cricket? Swimming, maybe, or other sports? What are you keen on? Films? Dancing? Studying, perhaps? Do you like reading? Do you want a chance to learn a proper trade or profession?

Whatever it is, there are many thousands like you, young South Africans who never have the chance to get the kind of education they should, who are prevented from using their skills and talents to the full, who are frustrated in their search for decent employment and restricted in their leisure-time activities by the absence of sports and cultural amenities.

Every young person born in this country is entitled to certain things, no matter who he is or what his race.

Why shouldn't you get them? Why shouldn't you have a chance to go to good, well-equipped schools? to enjoy playing fields and sports equipment? swimming baths, recreation centres libraries? Why shouldn't you have a chance to study to the fullest of your ability, and a chance to practice the trade or job or profession of your choice?

Millions of South Africans are asking these same questions today — and are determined to do something about it, too. Unless you are prepared to sit down and submit to harsh indignities and discrimination, *you* should do something about it as well.

Millions of South Africans during coming weeks and months are going to discuss what they want from life, what they think they are entitled to, what they understand by freedom. They are going to speak of freedom, and draw up their demands into a Freedom Charter. And of all the demands, those that affect the youth are most important, because it's you, and all the young people like you, with the best part of your lives in front of you, who will win and enjoy that freedom so long denied to most South Africans.

SPEAK TOGETHER OF FREEDOM

A call has gone out to the people of South Africa to speak together of freedom. The call was drawn up by four organisations, representing the different sections of South Africans — the African National Congress, the South African Indian Congress, the Congress of Democrats and the South African Coloured Peoples' Organisation.

It is a call for a great assembly of elected representatives of all races, from town and countryside, from city and farm, from factory and mine, from street and kraal, to meet together, freely, as equals, and to speak of the changes that must be made in our lives, our laws, our customs, our outlooks, if we are to win freedom for the people of South Africa.

Most South Africans have never voted in an election. This will be an assembly of elected delegates, who will draw up the demands of all the people into the FREEDOM CHARTER.

Into this Charter will go the things you ought to have, the things you want and need. The Freedom Charter will be a living document, breathing the life of the people of this country.

How can such a mighty Congress be organised? Only through a band of voluntary helpers, who will cover the country from end to end, who will enter every town and village, who will go into every factory, every place where people work.

These people will be FREEDOM VOLUNTEERS, pledged to carry to every corner of the country the message of the Congress of the People, and to gather in the demands of the people for the Freedom Charter.

This is the most inspiring, most exciting task that any young person of this country can undertake.

It is a job for you, Ahmed, Ismail, or whatever your name is. Don't sit back and dream of what you would like from life. Write your hopes into the Freedom Charter! Work to make it a reality!

BECOME A FREEDOM VOLUNTEER !

What is required of a Freedom Volunteer? You are not being asked to give up your job or leave your studies. You will pledge yourself to undertake regular, active and intensive work for the Congress of the People, and for resistance to the Apartheid policy of the Government.

You will be asked to take a pledge to serve your country and your people to the best of your ability, and in accordance with the policy and programme of the organization to which you belong.

You will be asked to study the political and economic life of our country, and classes will be organised for that study.

You will be asked to assist in any tasks related to the Congress of the People, particularly with bringing news of the Congress to other people.

Your age is not important. Freedom Volunteers will be organised into units under a leader, and boys and girls under sixteen will have separate groups.

A call has gone out for 50,000 volunteers. These 50,000 people will be the backbone of the whole campaign—on their shoulders will rest the success of the Congress of the People.

FILL IN THIS FORM — NOW !

Send it off to this address, or take it to your organisation — today.

CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE	CONGRESS OF THE PEOPLE
Box 11045	Box 2299
Johannesburg	Durban

I would like to become a Freedom Volunteer. Please tell me how to enrol.

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