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THE United Democratic Front is to hold a national conference in Port Elizabeth on December 16 and 17, with the proposed referendums for the coloured and Indian communities at the top of the agenda.

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Mr Patrick Lekota, publicity secretary, said in a statement that the UDF national executive had been unable to reach a decision on whether to boycott any referendum or to fight for a No vote.

The UDF was committed to non-participation in structures created by the Government and wanted a national convention to negotiate the future of the country.

But the crucial question now was participation in any possible referendum for Indians and coloured people.

Mr Lekota said any referendums for the Indian and coloured communities would not prevent the Government from pushing ahead with the constitution, but it would place South African Indian Council chairman Mr Amichand Rajbansi and Labour Party leader the Rev Alan Hendrickse in a difficult position, as a No vote would mean they would have no legitimacy.

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