

Minutes of the Meeting of the Secretariat of the South African Peace Council, Held on Friday, January 15th at 1p.m.

Present: Four members of the Secretariat.

Correspondence:

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- 1. Letter from NIC inviting fraternal delegate to the Provincial Congress on February 5th.
Agreed that attempts be made to send a fraternal delegate from Johannesburg and failing this to depute a member of the Peace Movement in Natal to attend ~~on~~ behalf of the Council.
- 2. Similar letter from the BAC which arrived after their congress.
Agreed to write to them, apologising for failure to send a message.

Arising from Executive Meeting

1. Peace In Africa Campaign

a.) Campaign Notes

Agreed to draw up a set of campaign notes to incorporate the following points:

- Racial discrimination
- Central African Federation
- Dismissal of Kabaka
- Incorporation of the Protectorates
- Kenya
- Establishment of war bases in Africa
- Uranium production
- Other similar aspects of the situation in Africa.

These notes to be prepared by Ruth with assistance from Harold by the next meeting of the secretariat.

b.) Exhibition

Agreed that an exhibition around the theme of the campaign be prepared. Lennie and Artur to be asked to ~~xxxxxx~~ prepare the exhibition. The following organisations, inter alia, to be written to for material:

- Kenya Committee, London.
- Daily Worker, London.
- WFTU - particularly re shooting of workers in Nigeria.
- WIDF
- WFDY
- IUS
- L'Humaite - particularly re French North Africa and Viet-Nam.

c.) Leaflet

Agreed to draw up a leaflet for use in the campaign but that this be left over until the campaign notes have been approved.

d.) Peace Sunday

Agreed that efforts be made to link the Peace Sunday with this Campaign. Further that approaches be made to the African Churches and that the question again be discussed with Rev. Thompson.

e.) Badge

Agreed that a special badge for the campaign be designed to be sold to the public. Arthur to be asked to submit a design. The badge to be made of paper.

f.) Provincial Councils

Agreed that the Councils be informed of the forthcoming campaign and that their suggestions be forwarded to the secretariat. Further that it be recommended to the TPC that the new ballot form be linked up with the campaign. Also that practical suggestions be sent to the Councils on how the campaign should be run.

Finances

- 1. Saleh to be immediately contacted re treasurerhip.
- 2. Suggestion for a joint function with TVL P.C. be taken up.
- 3. Letters to be sent to Cape and Natal Councils requesting contributions.

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4. Agreed that Monty be approached to hold a dinner party to raise funds.

Cultural Activities

1. Agreed that various activities be organised around the anniversaries of Fielding, Chekov, Dvorak and Aristophanes. Councils to be advised of suitability of holding play readings and recitals which could also serve as fund raising activities.

2. Agreed to write to Paris Literary Agency to get material for such activities.

3. Cecil ~~Wright~~ to be asked to produce such a play reading.

4. Robeson Recordings. Arrangements so far made to be investigated.

5. Scientific and Cultural Publications
Agreed that the various friendship societies in England be contacted.

General

1. Mrs MacPherson to be contacted re Labour Party Branches.

2. Prov. Councils to be asked to send material for the News Letter.

3. Next Meeting to be held at 1p.m. on Friday 22nd January.

Minutes adopted: Date.....

Chairman.....

Secretary.....

Present: 3 members of the Secretariat. (1)

Minutes were read and adopted.

Matters arising from the Minutes:

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1. NIC Congress

Agreed that the Natal Peace Council be asked to organise a series of meetings during the weekend of the NIC Conference. That Messrs Sisulu, Cohen and Kathrada be asked to speak at such meetings and to discuss peace problems with the Council. Further that Kathrada be asked to speak at the NIC conference on our behalf. And that the NIC be asked to pass resolutions on peace.

2. Africa for Peace Campaign

- a. Campaign notes will be ready by the next meeting.
- b. Reported that Rev. Tantsi would be contacted during the coming week in connection with the Peace Sunday.
- c. Materials were being collected from the exhibition.
- d. The badge design was approved subject to Artur being asked to improve the dove. Agreed that depending on the cost between 5 and 10 thousand badges to be printed.

3. Finances

- a. Salim to contact Durban players re performances in Jhb.
- b. Salim, Harold, Ray, Joe and Leon to discuss a joint function.
- c. Monty to be contacted again re a dinner.

4. Cultural Activities

- a. Cecil to be contacted re Chekov play readings.
- b. Reported that arrangements were going ahead to get recordings by Robeson. Agreed to ask for some peace and folk songs to be dedicated to the South African Peace Movement.

World Peace Congress

List of personalities and organisations for contacting to be drawn up and also suitable people for making the contacts.

Letterheads

Agreed that letter heads be printed.

General

- a. Mr. Tambu to be approached re serving on Executive.
- b. Mrs. Macpherson to be contacted re Labour Party.
- c. Agreed to meet again on Friday 29th at 1p.m.

Minutes confirmed: Date.....

Chairman.....

Secretary.....

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Minutes of Secretariat Meeting. Friday 28th 1p.m.

1. Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted.
2. Matters Arising

a. NIC Conference: Reported that arrangements were in hand to send a representative to the conference. Agreed that a peace message be sent for inclusion in the agenda book.

b. Africa for Peace Campaign: Agreed that the Campaign notes be sent to branches, organisations and certain individuals. The new leaflet and ballot form was agreed to. The actual ballot is to be restricted to the question of negotiations.

c. Finances: The joint meeting is to be organised for Monday if possible. Salim reported on a function organised for Saturday 29th. Reported that Monty agrees to organise a dinner party.

d. World Peace Congress: A list of the sponsors of the S.A. Peace Congress to be obtained. These sponsors and others to be ~~sent~~ sent letters re the World Congress.

3. Copies of the WPC document on the Atom Bomb to be obtained from the WPC. These to be sent to branches when received.

4. Agreed that the WPC be asked to send all documents of this type to the Provincial Councils direct.

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