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REPORT.

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Represented : All Regions

Chairing: Archie Gumemedo, Cde Co- President

Preamble

Much as it would have been desired , and as such it had been planned that all UDF-BORDER NEC members go to this meeting this could not be due to transportation arrangements which failed. The car to be used on this trip failed to function. The result hereof was that the Secretary, Sabelo Ndzuta, had to be flown to Cape Town on the morning of the meeting , Friday the 1st. Hewas joined on Saturday by Cde Steve Tshwete, who flew in from another commitment in Johannesburg.

UDF-Eastern Province was delayed and only arrived at the discussion of the item, "Million Signature Campaign".

The Meeting.

Apologies : Various Cdes including those from this region.

Correspondence: General Secretary could not find list and this item skipped.

Minutes; Taken as read since they were circulated to the regions.

Matters arising: Constitution= Drafted by treasury and copies of draft to be circulated to regions for comment in time for the next A.G.M. where the constitution shall be tabled for adoption.

N.E.C. Meetings : Venue should be equidistant for regions as much as possible. Bloemfontein or Kimberley chosen as most suitable places. General Secretary to secure next venue and draw out rooster for subsequent meetings.

N.E.C. Workshops: Date and venue to be arranged by the General Secretary and should be after August 22. The main question will be where U.D.F. goes to after the tri-cameral elections.

U.D.F. Officer's Report presented.

Million Signature Campaign ; NATAL - Reported that campaign going on well. Interference by Inkatha violence. Cannot reach some areas for fear of Inkatha. To counter this a full-page advert costing about R 3 000 placed with ILANGA. It is hoped that this will reach the Inkatha areas.

SIGNATURES COLLECTED: 30 000



Western Cape; This region has a very intensive campaign rate. On the 31.05.84 alone about 12 000 signatures were collected over a period of 3(three) hours at Crossroads. This region is by far the most organised in many aspects.

SIGNATURES COLLECTED : 85 000

Transvaal : This region although the one with the best potential is plagued by numerous problems. This is reflected by the amount of work done to-date. Soweto remains untouched.

SIGNATURES COLLECTED: 42 409

Border ; No amount of certainty over work done due to lack of proper co-ordination of work due in part to lack of funds. Also plagued by problems. ELYCo. problem also affecting regions performance. State repression also blamed.

SIGNATURES COLLECTED: 30 000

Decided ; the National Secretaries should come to region as a matter of urgency to sort out ELYCo problem. Cde Sabelo pointed out urgency of matter and called for quick action as this could have far-reaching consequences since, already names of NEC members were being mentioned in the dispute. Secretaries to come to region on Monday 4.6.84 with view to seeing all concerned parties.

N.Cape : This unconstituted region also present. Reported scarcity of means. limitation on available activists.

SIGNATURES COLLECTED : 6 500

E. Cape; No proper co-ordination. Things reported improving.

SIGNATURES COLLECTED ; 17 000

O.F.S. : This unconstituted region not represented. Gen. Sec. reported on progress here.

SIGNATURES COLLECTED : 3 500

Decided; that despite the great deficit from the 1 mill target the should still remain a million and that more concerted effort be put into the campaign. Pointed out that no campaign can be protracted forever and all energies should be towards reaching the target soon and save DUF's name here and abroad.

Tri-cameral elections :

Need for- i. Positive Action

ii. Common stand (boycott)

iii. Common events on a national scale.



Weekend of 18th and 19th August chosen as one for National Action against tri-cameral elections. All regions to have functions on this weekend.

Decided; i. Cde Herman Toivo ja Tiovo to speak in Soweto on this weekend.

ii; statement to be issued re-affirming our boycott stand on the coming elections.

iii. Joint planning council made up of Nat Sccs and some transvaal Cdes to plan strategies.

iv. Attendance at participating parties' meetings left open but encouraged.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: Cde Saloojee, Mohamed and Morake had been

overseas. Reported contacts with high ranking government officials in several countries like Sweden, Britain, West Germany, America and Canada. Also seen officials of many organisations. Also held several press conferences to fill an obvious gap in publicity work overseas about UDF.

Frontline States: The Swazi activities outlined. Secretaries To visit 'Kangwane' and assess potential for mobilization. Also promote mil. sig. camp. while there. The guiding principle is that we cannot let a piece of our land be given away.

Nkomati: Write to all frontline states and clearly outline what our analysis of our struggle is. This is to rebut the ideas of the Machel and similar governments that ours is a civil rights campaign. Only those inside can define the struggle.

Botha's masquerade: Write to all heads of state he visited including the pope and condemn the visits.

National Housing Conference: Should get ideas from the regions as to when a planning conference can be held and get back to Cde. Junus within ten days. Funds and venue already available and if not used soon might fall away.

Restructuring: Committee to assist in research to be set up by Pub Sec. Person to man office and co-ordinate its work appointed in principle.

Labour unit: People to be specifically entrusted with relations labour movement to be nominated.

National Organiser: Same as under 'restructuring'. Applications from all regions.

Regional Organiser:



Rural Organiser : Agreed to have them appointed for each region as soon as funds permit. One Apointed for N.Cape.

National Office: Reported that Tvl has massive debts owed the national office. Have not payed rental or phone since Oct.'83. Last telephone acc. for Tvl and National office amounted to R1 8 00 . No satisfactory explanation given. Rental for Tvl R60.00 Per month and responsible for half telephone bill per agreement with national office.

Decided : i. Tvl arrange rental directly with SACC.

ii. Only one line be left and that to be locked. For use by national office only.

iii. Tvl pay back all its debts. Theses be deducted from their grant and distributed equally among the regions.

Pat. : Not employed by national office. If employed Tvl's responsibility.

Finance : Statements of previous grants to be submitted within two weeks.

Travel to NEC the responsibility of regions.

Stated by Border= There is a need to assess our ideas on

state and extent of regions and our categorising them into Major, Intermediate, Minor and Unconstituted . Funding should be directed at achieving higher operational levels rather than maintaining status quo  
Endorsed by meeting.

Grants : National Office	R10 000
Transvaal (M.R.)	8 000
Natal ( " )	8 000
W. Cape ( " )	8 000
E. Cape (I.R )	3 000
Border (Mnr.R.)	2 000
N. Cape (U.R )	2 000

Code of Conduct : Reported by Cde. Mokoena that there are racial slanders in the Tvl mainly directed at people like him . Also accused NEC of abdicating its responsibility in not assisting in the growth and development of RMC. Also accused Natal of being anti spread of RMC and its development into a national organisation.

5/... Replied....



Replied: i. That such slandering is endemic in the struggle.  
only solution is programmes for political education  
as these are often occasioned by differential level  
of politicisation. These should be dealt with at  
regional level not at NEC.

ii. Development of RMC not responsibility of NED but rather  
of RMC itself and NEC can only be held responsible if  
such development has been discussed at NEC level and  
a formal decision taken thereon. UDF cannot impose  
itself over activities of affiliates except by  
invitation. Pointed out that it is necessary to  
approach the right people when moving into an area  
to ensure maximum support of effort by all progressive  
forces. Tvl REC to look into problems of Tvl and sort  
them out.

Motlana's interview with SABC-TV : Tvl to handle this matter  
in line with NEC resolution on SABC-TV

Saawu : Barnabas no longer member of Tvl REC since he no  
longer represents Saawu.

NEC Decisions : Not all can be carried uniformly by all regions  
due to subjective realities.

Should point-out those that are major and take them  
up on a National basis.

State of affiliates: Regions to -

i. Supply list and strength of affiliates.  
ii. Contact all affiliates through visits by Secretaries  
of regions.

iii; fill in a uniform questionnaire to be compiled by  
pub. sec.

Labour Federation : Will get recommendations on this from Labour  
Unit(UDF)

Alternative Media; Investigate the existence of progressive media  
in each region.

Removals and Relocations : No strategy to combat this available at  
UDF. This deplorable .

Decided: i. RGC'S to ponder on action oriented programs.

ii. All platforms; local , regional, national and  
international must be used to highlight the  
situation.

iii. Possibility...



But system of law can be brought about by a just government

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