Secretary-Bookkeeper. Rosenberg Arcade. 58 Market Street. JOHANN ESBURG. 14th July, 1945.

The Hon. Secretary. African National Congress. Natal Province. 19. Old Dutch Road. DURBAN.

Dear Sir,

In order to co-ordinate the activities of Congress throughout the Country and to create a sound system which will be able to keep the National Office well informed of the difficuities and problems experienced by the various Provinces and Branches, my office has undertaken to collect on matters relating to the organisational standing of Provinces and Branches of Congress in the spirit of the decisions of the last Annual Conference at Kimberley in December, 1944.

As a preliminary step towards achieving the desired coordination, you are requested to furnish this office with the

following information:-

The names and addresses of the officials of your Executive.

The number of Branches of Congress within the jurisdiction of your Province (including names and addresses of officials and Executive members of each Branch.)

Financial standing of your Province and its Branches.

Potential membership as well as paid up membership of your Province and Branches included.

5. Organisational activities as well as difficulties and pro-

blems experienced by your Province.
Important decisions taken by your Province for the immedi-

ate attention of the National Executive.

You will, no doubt, appreciate the fact that in order to mould Congress into a properly functioning body, it is desirable that Pro vinces of Congress should always be in readiness to furnish this office with the above information, from time to time, for the attention and advice of the National Executive.

I am, however, aware of the difficulties which will be experienced in forwarding the above information immediately, should you find yourself in an awkward position, I suggest that you send us what may be available at the present. The rest of the information required may follow at a later date.

Yours for the Cause.

D. Tloome.

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