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Tanzania

30/10/79.

The Secretary,
RPC
Tanzania.

Dear Comrade,

We are in receipt of your letter dated 29/9/79 in which you raised the question of current elections. This is raised in a letter from the Kinondoni unit to the RPC in Tanzania.

If the letter was not referred to us we would consider the issue as an internal one within the ANC RPC in Tanzania. But the matter has since been raised by Comrade Reddy with us.

The decision of the movement on the students is that they will participate in the political life of the organisation through the Student Union. There they will vote and be voted for. Mazimbu is a special entity in Tanzania with status specially defined by the Working Committee. Nobody can visit Mazimbu without authorisation from the Principal, the Organisation through the HQ and the Mission in Tanzania. The students cannot leave Mazimbu without authorisation from the Principal and his administration. So that Mazimbu has a status giving it some measure of autonomy. The students in Mazimbu will have an ANC Student Union just like those in the Soviet Union, GDR, etc. Their political activities shall be within the Student Union. The teachers can participate in the RPC since they are not members of the Student Union. The Commissar will be the link between the students and the RPC. The teachers' participation in the RPC will also strengthen this link.

There is no discrimination whatsoever against the students. Where our students exist in big, organised numbers around the places of learning they will be expected to form ANC Student Union. They are directly under the ANC Youth Secretariat.

They will have their vote within the students. The Student Union is an important organ of the ANC directly under the Youth Secretariat. Cooperation between the RPC and students is effected through the Commissar and also the Principal.

Amandla! Maatla!

Joe Nhlanhla

Administrative Secretary.

c.c. Reddy Mazimba - Chief Rep.

Mr Njobe - The Principal.

Youth Secretariat - Lusaka.

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