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Please accept these notes as a briefing on current matters of the Regional Office and to inform you informally of some activities/discussions of the Management Committee.

1. DANIGH ASSISI ABE

a) Attached is a copy of the Project Proposal for the use of the DANIDA allocation for Mazimbu/Dakawa.

b) The technical report on the NOD project is also attached.

c) When decision regarding transfer of 1300 to VTC is formally approved by Management Committee I will inform NOD and submit proposal for USS 250,000 for Adult Education Purposes at Mazimbu.

In the meantime Kenneth will provide accounting to TCRS for utilised funds to release the balance of US\$46,000 for completion of kitchens, furnishing of health post and the hall and for sports facilities.

(1) Land Cruiser has been released by TCRS and will be handed over to Management Committee this week.

e) Will advise re: truck a.s.a.p.

1W

9.12;

a) The Management Committee approved the opening of Block 5 and the new Photolab. The Photolab has completed shifting into the new premises and the Computer and Art Depts are in the process of moving in. Art is to continue as an extra curricular activity.

b) The Photolab is preparing a packing list of equipment to be sent to SA and when this is ready arrangements will be made to send it down with Tshepo. He will be in direct contact with Gill Marcus. Novella has not yet been contacted.

c) We will await results of August meeting before taking any further action.

d) EL PMB proposes participation by delegate from here at talks. CQSBE.

a) Please find attached a copy of Project document as prepared by Elisabetta. Please note that this document has already been sent to EC for approval before I had the chance to see the final version as I was in Hospital.

b) We are meeting this week to finalise the draft Protocol Agreement between ANC and COSPE and a copy will be faxed to you. (copy attached).

c) EC. is a very demanding and persistent person who has managed to anger, irritate and step on the toes of a number of people like FINNIDA, NPA, Judas, Chief Reps office and others. We however are getting on excellently and I have managed to avoid confrontation with her. A number of problems exist however: i) E.C.'s insistence on the full time presence of a COSPE coordinator (herself) to administer the running of the project.

ii) E.C.'s persistence in trying to use this project (and its budget!) to set up an office and residence in Dar es Salaam for COSPB.

B.C. will not accept the fact that if she is registered as the Resident Representative of COSPE in DSM she will have to apply for clearance to enter Dakawa on each visit. In the long run I believe that a limited presence by EC. in Dakawa would be preferable, and that will evolve automatically.

MBA;

a) I have asked Quintin to fax you a copy of the MFA/ UNBSCO/ ANC project discussed in December 1990.

b) Please raise the question of the Salaries Budget with MFA. (they had already approved the CIES scheme).

c) Refer point (d) under CIES.

3W

a) Manzini has not yet let t the Leather Factory. The matter is in the hands of the Government and we expect results this week.

The consequences of this are:

i) Raili is said to be furious. (about this and Cospe).

ii) It is unlikely that FINNIDA would approve funding for salaries budget even for those Projects they are involved in.

iii) Taksvaarki may pull out its workers before end of this year.

b) As soon as Manzini leaves I will fax proposal to TSL to fund the Taksvaarki workers and ANC salaries for VTC. I will also submit proposal to FINNIDA to sponsor library and health workers.

Raili is currently on leave so I do not expect an early response to this.

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a) Preparations are on course to commercialise/register the Furniture Factory and for the evaluation in September.

b) The Management Committee has accepted the following structure for the factory.

Board of Directors - ANC, Donors and Factory representatives.

- to decide policy matters.

Management - M. Shabangu - Manager.

L. Soderqvist - Deputy.

S. Sithole - Prod. Manager.

0) Copy of letter to ISF attached.

FINNIDA.

d) The matter of NPA administering FINNIDA daily necessities and Medical Procurement has been resolved and lists of food and drugs are being submitted by the Regional Treasurer and Regional Health Officer.

#### 4.2RAKIISK\_SQL1DARIIEL

a) I was hospitalised at the time of their Visit and they were met by Kenneth and the Director. Kenneth will inform you of developments.

#### 5. DAKAWA FARM.

a) All ongoing activities for the CRIAA project have been cancelled.

b) We are awaiting Finns arrival (continuously postponed) to discuss his proposals for the future agricultural activities and to decide issues like the Farm Machinery Yard etc. I

understand he is in Johannesburg and we hope to see him soon.

c) A vehicle (Peugot) was purchased under the CRIAA project. It is parked at TCRS and was awaiting implementation of the project.

Please advise. The vehicle is registered in the name of Mekki.

M.C. wants the vehicle to go to the farm.

d) PMB has proposed that Tom Zwane be Manager of both farms.

#### 6.13991

a) In view of the fact that the educational and other objectives of the BOC cannot be met the Management Committee has proposed that:

i) all Hpretense at teaching at EOC cease.

ii) the incentive scheme (UNESCO) be suspended except for those requested to administer the centre till repatriation.

iii) the current occupiers (300 ex-combatants) be requested to vacate the premises.

iv) the facilities be given to VTC.

b) Since it is expected that some of the ex-combatants will refuse to join the other groups in tents it has been suggested that exchanges take place with VTC students currently living in V4 etc.

c) If 200 students ever do come from Chelston they will be assessed and sent to SOMAFCO directly or put in tents thus bypassing the need to settle them in the EOC.

1W

a) I will try to get a collective response from the MC. on your proposals and draft a report on the matter a.s.a.p. (including lists of contracted staff). These issues are supposed to be reflected in minutes of MC. meetings. but unlikely these will be available soon.

8.1KLLINDE

a) Attached is a copy of the Draft Revised Proposal as elaborated by Gwyn Morgan / 1L0 and judas during my leave in Botswana. It has some deficiencies e.g.

i) no salaries component.

ii) it is heavy on consultants/experts etc due to G. Morgan's perception that this is a prerequisite for UNDP approval.

iii) it is implied that UN personnel can travel freely to SA.

b) I have requested comments from the Director, judas (and the Principal Advisor) and would welcome your comments. We would then reconvene to come up with a satisfactory proposal which includes running costs for Leather and Garment trades for the second year. The COSPB project covers only the first year.

c) Starting date will probably be delayed further.

d) For a more detailed appraisal of VTC activities/plans refer to COSPE Project Document.

e) The Director will be meeting with students and staff of VTC shortly.

9. GERMAN VOLUETQ SERVICE.

a) I met with Erwin Hirschmann who had been away on leave until recently.

b) Comrade Manzini attended meeting /seminar and met with German Government Ministry Officials. I have not managed to receive his report on his discussions and will forward as soon as available. The discussion centred on assistance inside the country.

c) Hirschmann accepts that an Education/Resettlement/Income Generating Programme covering Tanzania, Uganda and SA is likely to be considered favourably. I hope to arrange a meeting with Kay Moonsamy when he arrives to facilitate discussion on the Uganda and SA components. (Incidentally Kay's arrival in

DSM has been postponed twice and he is now expected on 19/08/1991).

d) Approximately USS 300.000 is available for Tanzania this Year and GVS agrees to proposed allocation as follows:

Adult Education running costs 1/3.

VTC running costs 1/3.

ANC salaries budget 1/3.

I feel however that if we can secure funding for salaries in T2 that 2/3 (two thirds) could be made available for education projects in Uganda this Year. Report to follow with Kay.

10W

a) Packing list for 2 containers are attached. Please secure clearance for entry into S.A.

b) Who is to fund transport costs?

c) Please send letter to Brigitta requesting that

4wd Landcruiser remain in Tanzania if this is a provision of the original project document. Or is this a matter for culture to decide?

ILW

a) The delay in repatriation is seriously hampering any progress in implementing decisions. Facilities (classroomshostels) and teachers at SOMAFCO are still being utilised by the Junior and Senior Secondary as well as Primary . The BOC in Dakawa is accommodating two and a half times its normal capacity.

b) Precise number of candidates and MHQ plans for ex-combatants are still unclear. The motives of many candidates who are registering for A.E. are being suspected by the MC. The fear is that this programme may be used to delay repatriation for a number of reasons.

c) A working group is being established to implement the programme. It is envisaged that the programme will cover 3 levels:

- Functional Literacy,
- Basic levels (up to jC equivalent) and
- '0' level.

d) It has been recommended that all AE activities take place in Mazimbu and a tentative division/allocation of classrooms and dormitories has been arrived at.

e) Most M.C. members are sceptical about success of this programme. and there is no response from other responsible

structures and the Head of the Task Force.

12. PCU/UNDB EkOPOSALS.

Report attached.

13. SQMAECO.

a) I will propose that the MC. prepare and send detailed report to leadership on this and other education matters. Suffice to say that on one day following the re-opening of the school only 27 students attended classes!

14. RBPATBIATIOE.

My view is that :

a) FURTHER DELAYS IN REPATRIATION WILL HAMPER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BOTH THE VTC AND AE PROGRAMMES !!

ALREADY THE CONFIDENCE OF BOTH CANDIDATES AND STAFF IN THE FEASIBILITY OF THE PROGRAMMES HAS BEEN ERODED.

b) HQ must consider at least partial repatriation of the community IMMEDIATELY. This should not be made depedant on the return of school children or the hope/fate of Lusaka repatriation being completed. This would restore confidence and allow space to begin implementation of VTC, AE and other "orderly phasing-out" processes.

c.c. Director of Mazimbu/Dakawa.