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NEXT MEETING

MINUTES OF THE WGSC1 MEETING HELD IN CAPE TOWN ON 8 MAY AT 11H00

PRESENT: (see ADDENDUM A)

Chair: Mr Webb

Secretary: A Feinstein

Minutes: M du Plessis

1. Chairperson's opening

Mr Webb welcomed members to the meeting and made his apologies for the late start of the meeting

owing to travel problems. °

2. Attendance and Apologies

The Steering Committee was fully represented.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted with the following amendments:

3.1 That Item 8 a) which reads: "Implementation of the decisions of CODESA", should be added.

4. Adoption of the Minutes

The minutes were adopted with the following amendment:

4.1 That Item 8.1.2 should be removed.

5. Matters arising

5.1 SABC Meeting with Mr Harmse and Dr Viljoen

5.1.1 Mr Coetsee would make inquiries on when the meeting would take place. (Refer item 8(a)2.)

5.2 The submission from the Film and Broadcasting Forum (FBF) was distributed to the members.

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The role of the International Community

Consensus was reached on the following statement in this regard:

The Working Group welcomes the initiative of the international community concerning the developments in South Africa. In this regard the Working Group considers it helpful that members of the international community acquaint themselves with the circumstances surrounding the violence in our country through fact-finding missions with a view to making an independent, objective assessment of the facts and realities surrounding the violence.

In addition to any other such missions, the Working Group recommends that CODESA invite an independent international mission.

Emergency Legislation

It was agreed:

That the timing of the implementation of the various agreed proposals to amend the Emergency legislation be negotiated as a matter of urgency among the parties.

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That the established task force for emergency and security legislation now consist of Prof Asmal and messrs Bester (Convenor), Coetsee, Esterhuizen, Ntsubane, Samuels and Webb.

The meeting agreed on the following statement:

That a task force referred to above Scrutinised Securityâ\200\231 legislation as soon as possible. The task group may continue or be substituted by any other mechanism after CODESA II.

Specific Items of Discriminatory Legislation to be addressed as a matter of priority

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The meeting agreed on the following statement, which will be included in the Report:

The Working Group received proposals on discriminatory legislation which impede free political activity and which should be amended and or repealed. The discussions on these proposals are incomplete and it was agreed that the task group as mentioned above or any other mechanism set up by CODESA II, should convene to consider discriminatory legislation which impedes the climate for

free political activity or which needs to be amended or referred to support and emphasise the process of democratisation.

Implementation of the decisions of CODESA

It was agreed:

That the Independent Body to regulate Telecommunications Sector shall be established as soon as possible.

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That the WGSC1 and the SABC will meet on 14 May 1992 from 13:30 to 15:30 at the HF Verwoerd Building, Cape Town.

That in view of particular circumstances of the subject matter WGSC1 will be the mechanism for the drafting of legislation of an Independent Body in co-operation with the SA Government and other administrations. :

Discussion on Report to CODESA II

It was agreed:

That any amendments to the Working Group Report by members of the Working Group should reach Mr Bester not later than Tuesday 12 May 1992 at 11 pm. The report will then be finalised by Mr Bester.

Presentation to CODESA II &

That Messrs Webb and Samuels and Prof Asmal with the support of the rapporteurs, would handle the presentation of the report representing the WG1, not their political parties. Delegates however have the right to differ from the presentation made. â\200\230

Close :

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The chairperson thanked members for the work done. Mr Coetsee was thanked for making the venue available and for the lunch provided.

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The meeting adjourned.

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ADDENDUM A

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