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PROVISIONAL QUESTIONNAIRE

When did the first contact between white South African and Representatives of the ANC occur? Where?

Were the white South African representing the South African Government? If so what positions did they hold within the Government Structures?

If they were private individuals how did they propose to use the outcome of the feelers with the Government? in other words what was their relationship with the Government?

Were they Afrikaans speaking or English speaking? What was their professional status?

What did such people suggest the ANC should do? And what did the ANC suggest in the light of the proposals?

Did any representatives of foreign Governments or people in a position to influence their Governments suggest that the ANC should enter into negotiations with the Nationalist Party Government and abandon the Armed Struggle?

If the ANC was willing how did they suggest they would convey the views of the ANC to the S. A Government?

ANC Documents talk of SEIZURE OF POWER - did the ANC through the 80s aim at taking over power by defeating the Nationalist Party Government on the battle field? Or did it envisage any other option to SEIZE POWER?

ANC documents also are full of reference to INSURRECTION. Did the ANC consider arming the people in the country? How did they propose to arm them? Or was there another way to bring about an INSURRECTION by unarmed people?

When Nelson advised the NEC that he had entered into discussions with Representatives of the NP Government in mid 1986 what was the reaction of the NEC?

Did the NEC visualise the likelihood of the NP Government agreeing to a negotiated SETTLEMENT OF THE COUNTRY'S PROBLEMS with the ANC?

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FOR THE PRESIDENT

What moved you to approach Representatives of the NP Government to sit down to talk with the ANC?

Why did you decide to talk to Coertzee and not to any other?

Or was Coertzee suggested to you as the suitable person to talk to?

How did you put your case to him, and what was his immediate reaction?

At what stage of your discussions did you inform your Comrades at Po/smo, i.e. were you then satisfied that the NP Government was serious about negotiating with the ANC?

When the negotiations got under way resulting in the Groote Schuur Minute, can we have your opening remarks there? And possibly those of De Klerk?

When you suspended the ARMED STRUGGLE, was that as a result of a suggestion by the NP Government side.

Would you like to add any other points that would throw light on what we are doing?