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THE BALANCE CF POVER BETWEEN THE CENTRAL, REGIONAL AND LOLAL  
LEVELS CF GOVERNMENT

PREAMBLE : L e

WHEREAS THE UPF BELIEVES THAT IN THE SPIRTT OF NEGOTIATIONS AND  
RECONCILIATION, SOUTH AFRICA SHCULD BE A UNITED DEMOCRACY WITH  
THEREE TIERS OF GOVERNMENT:

WHEREAS THE UPF IS ACUTELY AWARI THAT THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT HAS  
RULED SOUTH AFRICA AS A FRAGMENTED AND DIVIDED COUNTRY, WHICH  
RULE EA3 BROUGHT ABOUT UNITED TRAGIC MISERIES.

NOW THEREFORE, THE UPF STRONGLY BELIEVES IN AND IS COMMITTED TC  
THZ FOLLOWING BALANCE OF POWER BETWEEN THE THREE TIERS OF  
GOVERNMENT:

1. THAT GENERALLY, GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE BROUGHT CLOSER TO THE  
PEOPLE IN ORDER TC HAVE EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT:
2. THAT STRONG AND EFFECTIVE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT IS NECESSARY TOO  
BE ABLE TO EFFECTIVELY DIRECT NATIONAL POLICY:
3. THAT ANY DEMOCRAT&C SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT SHOULD PROVIDE FOR  
EFFECTIVE REGIONAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO ENCOURAGE  
PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY, BUT THAT, HOWEVER, SUCH REGIONAL AND  
LQCAE-GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE VESTED WITH SUCH POWERS AS\$ WOULD  
BE COMPATIBLE WITH THE REGULATION OF MATTERS OF REGIONAL AND  
LOCAL NATURE ONLY:
4. THE UPF STRONGLY BELIEVES THAT HAVING SET OUT THE ABOVE  
GENERAL CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES, THE ACTUAL AND DETAILED  
DEFINITION OF AND ALLOCATION OF THE NECESSARY POWERS TO TEE  
LOWER TIERS OF GOVERNMENT RESIDES WITH THE APPROPRIATE  
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o - The CONSTITUTION SHALL ACKNOWLEDGE AND GUARANTEE THE DIVERSITY OF CULTURES, LANGUAGES. OWN COMMUNITY LIFE AND EDUCATION AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA,

6. The CONSTITUTION SHALL ENTRECH A JUSTICIABLE BILL OF RIGHTS GUARANTEE ING AND PROTECTING THE PRINCIPLE OF EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW, UNIVERSALLY RECOGNIZED FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS, FREEDOMS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES SUCH AS FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION, ASSOCIATION. THE RIGHT TO LIFE, RELIGION AND WORK AND THE RIGHT TO ACQUIRE, OWN AND DISPOSE OF ONE'S PRIVATE PROPERTY AND THE DUE PROCESS OF THE LAW.

7. The CONSTITUTION SHALL RECOGNIZE ONLY ONE AND UNDIVIDED South AFRICA WITH A GOVERNMENTAL SYSTEM FUNCTIONAL AT NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND LOCAL LEVELS WITH APPROPRIATE. BUT NOT UNDULY ABSOLUTE. DIVISION AND DECENTRALISATION OF POWER, AS TO ENCOURAGE AND FOSTER NON-RACIAL PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY. AND NOT

- THE INEQUITOUS EMASCULATION AND STRATIFICATION OF THE CENTRAL AUTHORITY.

8. The CONSTITUTION SHALL PROVIDE FOR AND ENFORCE THE PROGRAMME OF - AFFIRMATIVE ACTION WITH A VIEW TO REDRESS THE HISTORICAL INEQUITOS VESTIGES OF RACIAL, CLASS AND GENDER IMBALANCES.

9. The CONSTITUTION SHALL APPROPRIATELY RECOGNIZE AND PRESERVE THE INSTITUTION OF TRADITIONAL LEADERSHIP,

10. The CONSTITUTION SHALL RECOGNIZE AND RESPECT THE INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGN INTERGRITY OF FOREIGN STATES AND RESTRAIN THE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT FROM VIOLATING ANY SUCH INDEPENDENCE AND SOVEREIGN INTERGRITY IN VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND CONVENTIONS. WITH A VIEW TO FOSTERING INTERNATIONAL PEACE, CO-OPERATION , CO-EXISTENCE AND STABILITY.

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SUBMISSION BY THE UNITED PEOPLEâ\200\230S FRONT ON CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES WHICH  
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SHOULD BE ENSHRINED IN A NEW CONSTITUTION FOR A NEW SCUTH AFRICA

PREAMBLE :

We 1N THE UNITED PEQPLEâ\200\231S FRONT, RECOGNIZING THE BACKGROUND AND  
DIVIDED NATURE OF OUR SOCIETY, DO HEREBY WISH TQ PRESENT  
CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES AIMED AT PROMOTING AND FOSTERING A SPIRIT  
OF NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AND UNITY AMONGST ALL THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH  
AFRICA, WHILST WE FEEL IT A DUTY ON OLR PART TO ARTICULATE THE  
ASPIRATICNS OF THE DISADVANTAGED SECTION ON OUR PEOPLE, WE NEVERTHE-  
LESS APPRECIATE AND RECOGNIZE AS WELL THE NEED TO TAKE COGNIZANCE

OF THE FEARS AND CONCERNS OF SOME OF OUR FELLOW COUNTRY - MEN WHO  
FEEL THREATENED BY THE UNFOLDING POLITICAL SCENARIO.

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1. South AFRICA SHALL BE luumvmsn NON-RACIAL AND NON=SEXIST

CONSTITUTIONAL STATE IN WHICH THE â\200\230SOVEREIGN AUTHORITY QF THE  
STATE SHALL BE EXERCISED OVER THE ENTIRETY OF ITS TERRITORY.

2. The CONSTITUTION SHALL BE THE SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND, TO WHICH  
SHALL BE SUBORDINATED ALL OTHER ORDINARY LEGISLATIVE ENACTMENTS  
AND AGAINST WHICH THE VALIDITY OF ANY SUCH LAWS SHALL BE TESTED.  
AND SUCH CONSTITUTION SHALL BE JEALOUSLY GUARDED OVER BY AN  
INDEPENDENT, IMPARTIAL, COMPETENT. NON-RACIAL AND NON-SEXIST  
JUDICIARY  
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3. The CONSTITUTION SHALL GUARANTEE AND PROTECT THE PRINCIPLE OF  
MULTI-PARTY DEMOCRACY WITH THE RIGHT TO FORM POLITICAL PARTIES  
AND TO JOIN A POLITICAL PARTY OF ONEâ\200\231S CHOICE, REGULAR ELECTIONS  
ON THE BASIS OF UNIVERSAL ADULT SUFFRAGE ON A COMMON VOTERâ\200\231S ROLL  
WITH EACH VOTE BEING OF EQUAL VALUE WITH THE ELECTORAL SYSTEM  
BEING THAT OF PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION,

U4, Txe CONSTITUTION SHALL GUARANTEE THE PRINCIPLE OF THE SEPARATION  
OF POWERS WITH APPROPRIATE CHECKS AND BALANCES TO PREVENT ABUSE