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Summary Report of Tripartite Review Meeting held on

15 May 1989 on NLM Projects:

ANC/86/002 - Post Secondary & Professional Training

ANC/86/003 - Educational Assistance to SOMAFCO

and ANC/86/006 - Primary and Secondary Education.

Participants

African National Congress (ANC)

Mr. S. Choabi	- ANC Secretary for Education
Mr. G. Morodi	- Chief Representative in East Africa
Mr. A. Masondo	- Ag. Administrator, Mazimbu/Dakawa
Mr. M. Maphisa	- ANC Education Officer

OAU - Liberation Committee

Lt. Col. D.A. Mwamunyange	- Department of information and Defence
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UNESCO

Mr. H. Elrayah	- Chief - SPO Unit - UNESCO Paris
Mr. F. Mbengo	- UNESCO Education Adviser
Mr. R. Mwinuka	- Programme Officer

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Mr. F.N.C. Nnebe	- Assistant Resident Representative
Mr. B.A. Mahai	- Programme Officer

1. Opening

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Nnebe, Assistant Resident Representative of UNDP. Mr. Nnebe welcomed delegates from UNESCO, OAU and the ANC and emphasized that UNDP would continue to support the ANC in its human resources development effort.

The Chairman briefly outlined the purpose of the Tripartite Review Meeting and called for open and frank discussions aimed at solving problems which may be hindering the implementation of the projects under review. He informed the meeting that the Resident Representative, Mr. Bulcha Demeksa, had wanted to chair the meeting personally, but was unfortunately preoccupied with the visit of the President of ICAO Council who is currently in Tanzania.

1.1 The Chairman invited the Representative of ANC, OAU Liberation Committee and UNESCO to make brief opening remarks prior to actual business. The ANC Chief Representative, Mr. Morodi, expressed appreciation for being invited to attend the opening session and wished the meeting a success. He expressed the hope that the meeting would deal with project implementation issues constructively and that practical solutions would be found. Mr. Morodi finally thanked UNDP and UNESCO for the excellent cooperation and assistance ANC had received and looked forward to these being strengthened.

1.2 The UNESCO Representative, Mr. Elrayah stated that he recently took over the responsibility for UNESCO Programmes in the sub-region and expressed happiness at the opportunity to be acquainted with project operations at field level.

1.3 The Representative of OAU associated himself with the appreciation expressed by the ANC Chief Representative on the support given by UNDP and UNESCO to the liberation movements.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

2.1 The meeting approved the agenda with the insertion of sentence;
"The Project Coordinator will summarize the progress of each project in his presentation on project implementation".

3.0 Review of decisions taken at Tripartite Review Meeting held on 10 May 1988

3.1 The meeting reviewed the report of the last Tripartite Review Meeting and the status of implementation of decisions arising therefrom as follows:

3.2 Flexibility in Students placement

The principal of flexibility had been accepted and being applied. For example, 20 new students had been placed in various schools, six new students instead of five had been placed in Tanzania and Kenya respectively for the academic year 1988/89. For 1989/90, 20 students will be placed in various institutions. The ANC Secretary for Education stressed that as the situation in South Africa was deteriorating, more students would leave the country and therefore the need for placement would remain critical. The Secretary indicated that presently 300 students from SOWETO have already arrived in Lusaka.

3.3 Replacement of students

The Project Coordinator confirmed that the practice of replacing poorly performing students had been accepted. Currently, there were fewer cases at hand and no problem foreseen.

3.4 Information on Students

Clarification on the inclusion of students information on official documents queried by ANC was duly requested from UNDP Headquarters but no response received. However, following further discussions on the subject and clarification provided, it was considered that no further action was needed.

3.5 Progress Reports

The Chairman reminded the Project Coordinator that progress reports on the projects should be submitted 3 months to the scheduled date of the TPR to enable all parties concerned to forward comments to be used as input to the TPR. It was agreed that all parties should forward comments on future progress reports as early as possible after distribution and prior to the TPR.

Action: Project Coordinator/UNESCO/ANC/OAU/UNDP

When: As appropriate

3.6 Maintenance of students beyond 1988

The meeting was informed that UNESCO had prepared and submitted to UNDP Headquarters for approval a project revision to cover students maintenance through 1991. A cable had been received from UNDP New York prior to the tripartite meeting indicating UNDP's agreement with the revision. Revision document as soon as received should be distributed to all parties concerned.

Action: UNESCO/UNDP

When: As soon as possible

3.7 Recruitment of regional teachers

Recruitment and placement of the required number of teachers had taken place effective January 1989 and inspection of the school was successfully carried out.

3.8 Teachers' in-service training

Only one seminar had been conducted. However, the Project Coordinator confirmed that two more were in the pipeline and will be conducted in July 1989. A consultant had already been approved by UNESCO Headquarters and will be fielded soon to prepare a comprehensive programme. Consequently, seminars would now be conducted more often in future.

Action: UNESCO/Project Coordinator

When: As soon as possible.

3.9 Provision of funds for 1085 students

The Project Coordinator reported that necessary adjustments had been made in Project Budget Revision already approved and no further action was needed.

3.10 Late receipt of funds for fees

The Project Coordinator reported that the situation as it were has very much improved.

3.11 Review on Costs of Schools

The Project Coordinator informed the meeting that the issue of high costs for private and public schools had been resolved.

3.12 Budget Revision

The Project Coordinator confirmed that a budget revision accommodating new students had been submitted to UNDP Headquarters for approval. Follow-up was requested.

Action: UNDP/UNESCO

When: Immediately

3.13 Any Other Business

The Project Coordinator informed the meeting that approval of pipeline project ANC/86/004 - Education Orientation Centre was still awaiting endorsement from the ANC and OAU. The draft documents was apparently submitted by UNESCO Paris directly to UNDP New York without the knowledge of UNDP Dar es Salaam, ANC and OAU. The meeting recommended that the draft project document should be submitted urgently to UNDP Dar es Salaam for review and on forwarding to ANC and OAU.

Action: UNESCO

When: Immediately.

3.14 Conclusion

The Chairman expressed satisfaction in the manner in which UNESCO had resolved pending issues and remarked that implementation of decisions made in the last TPR was 100%. He congratulated the Executing Agency on this and expressed the hope that the practice would be maintained.

4.0 Project Coordinator's Presentation of Progress Report for the period January - December 1988

4.1 ANC/86/002 - Post Secondary/Professional Training

The Project Coordinator reported that important matters including payment of fees and stipends were discussed and resolved at the last TPR. However, a request for providing clothing and holiday allowances was received from the ANC. The request was accepted. UNESCO was asked to prepare and submit estimates.

Action: Project Coordinator/UNESCO/UNDP

When: Immediately.

4.3 ANC Request for 20 more students

The meeting discussed the matter and accepted it. The Project Coordinator reminded ANC to send to him applications in advance so that placement could be processed in time. The meeting agreed that in order to avoid delay in placement, ANC should submit dossiers by December of each year except for students whose GCE results are received in March/April. However, dossiers for those students must be submitted by end of May of each year at the latest.

Action: ANC/Project Coordinator/UNESCO

When: As appropriate

5.0 ANC/86/003 - Assistance to Solomon Mahlangu Freedom College (SOMAFCO)

5.1 The Project Coordinator reported progress made in implementing the project. He stated that 10 teachers for Secondary School at SOMAFCO have already been recruited and were in place. One in-service training workshop had been conducted and two more will be conducted as soon as possible. An intensive school inspection had been carried out by Tanzania experts in collaboration with ANC. The Project Coordinator confirmed that a core curriculum for the primary school had been developed and submitted to UNESCO Headquarters for clearance and comments.

Action: UNESCO

When: As soon as possible.

5.2 Educational Materials and Equipment

The meeting took note that educational materials and equipment for SOMAFCO are being received regularly from UNESCO Paris. It was considered, therefore, that the quality of education would improve significantly.

5.3 ANC request for 2 Adult Education Teachers

The meeting discussed the need for recruitment of two adult education teachers for SOMAFCO, and agreed that the request was valid.

The meeting agreed that of the 20 teachers requested for the primary school, two should have adult education bias in order to meet present demand at SOMAFCO. However, the meeting expressed the need for a separate project document which would define and articulate for adult education which is a specialised field and, therefore, requires special skills. It was agreed that UNESCO and ANC should formulate a project document for submission to UNDP for consideration.

Action: Project Coordinator/ANC/UNESCO

When: As soon as possible.

5.5 Recruitment of teachers

The meeting discussed ANC's request to give priority to the recruitment of teachers for SOMAFCO from ANC cadres within the Africa region and overseas. The meeting welcomed the idea, but expressed scepticism whether ANC teachers working abroad would be willing to accept US\$400 which is the currently established monthly salary for regionally recruited teachers at SOMAFCO. However, it was recommended that the project Management in collaboration with ANC should look into the possibility of recruiting such teachers.

Action: Project Management/ANC

When: As soon as possible.

5.6 Clearance of Project Equipment

Project Coordinator reported that delay were being experienced in having project equipment cleared and delivered, since UNDP Field office had to seek authorization to meet the costs from UNESCO Paris. It was pointed out that the delay was affecting project implementation as well as incurring additional costs on demurrage charges. UNDP Representative clarified that specific Executing Agency authorization for clearance of project equipment for UNDP funded projects was not required and charges arising from such services should be debited to the Agency concerned accordingly in the interest of facilitating project implementation. The UNESCO Representative concurred with the views expressed. UNDP Representative assured the meeting that the matter would be taken up with UNDP.

Action: UNDP

When: Immediately.

5.7 Recruitment of Experts in Counselling & Career guidance

The meeting agreed that recruitment of experts in counselling and career guidance as requested by ANC was necessary. It was recommended that two experts be recruited for that purpose.

Action: UNESCO/Project Coordinator

When: As soon as possible.

5.8 Transport for teachers

The meeting discussed the request of ANC for provision of a 40 seater mini-bus for teachers who will reside in Morogoro town outside of SOMAFCO due to lack of accommodation. The meeting recommended acceptance of the request and requested UNESCO to liaise with UNDP Headquarters in order to revise the budget

accordingly.

Action: Project Coordinator/UNESCO

When: As soon as possible.

5.9 Rental Subsidy

The proposal for provision of rental subsidy of US\$100 to teachers who will reside outside SOMAFCO was discussed and agreed upon.

6.0 Payment of Fees and Transport Facilities:

ANC/86/006 - Primary and Secondary Education

6.1 The Project Coordinator confirmed that fees were paid in time. However, students in Zambia and Mozambique were reported to be facing transport problems due to increased number of students, namely 100 in Maputo and 200 in Lusaka. The meeting recommended that UNESCO should revise the project budget by reallocation of funds to accommodate the purchase of three 25 - 26 sitter mini-buses 2 for Lusaka and 1 for Maputo.

Action: Project Coordinator/UNESCO

When: As soon as possible.

6.2 Monitoring of project activities

It was also agreed that the Project Coordinator should visit schools in the sub-region twice a year for proper monitoring of project activities and that fees be paid to schools directly through UNDP Offices in the countries hosting the students.

Action: Project Coordinator

When: As appropriate.

6.3 Report of monitoring visits

It was reported that UNESCO Project Management Officer who recently undertook monitoring visits to project locations in Zimbabwe, Zambia, Lesotho and Swaziland had submitted her report in French. The meeting endorsed the request of ANC that future reports should be submitted in English only.

7.0 Any Other Business

7.1 Closure

The Chairman thanked all participants for their valuable contribution and expressed the hope that the decision and recommendations made would be implemented by all parties concerned as soon as possible. He promised that UNDP Dar es Salaam would promptly follow-up with its Headquarters regarding the approval of revision "C" of project ANC/86/006.