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REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE FUND RAISING WORKSHOP HELD AT MAZIMBU ON THE 14-21st MARCH, 1986 PRESENTED BY MRS E.M. MIYA

Comrade Chairman, Dear Comrades,

On behalf of the Secretariat of the Department of Health I hereby convey greetings to all the participants at this Workshop which is of great significance to all the oppressed people of South Africa.

Comrades, you are aware of the fact that the Department of Health is one of the most sensitive departments in the sense that it deals with lives of all the comrades in exile.

The Department of Health cannot succeed in its execution of duties without the participation of other departments and our foreign missions. We in the Department of Health thought it will be of help to numerate some of the Projects which have been implemented successfully with the help of our leadership and our foreign missions.

Comrades, I think as we approached Mazimbu you saw the road coming up. That is the ANC/Holland Solidarity Hospital which was donated by the Solidarity Group in Holland under the leadership of Comrade Henk Odink. The hospital was officially opened in May 1984 and started functioning partially in October 1984. The success of this Project is attributed to the leadership of the ANC and the administration in Mazimbu who worked side by side with the members of the Department of Health.

In Angola few kilometres from Luanda a Health Centre is under construction and will start operating sooner or later. This health post is donated by Norwegian's People's Group. We foresee problems in equiping this post since N.P.A. has not committed itself in donating funds for equipment.

In Lusaka we have a clinic which will be a Health Centre at a later stage that is when it is fully operational. Again here equipment is still a problem, we hope for improvement soon since UNICEF has promised to help with some of the required items.

An agreement on training our personnel on health related courses was signed between the Secretary General of the ANC and UNDP. The first intake from this agreement was in August this year.

The office of the WHO in Africa Region has undertaken the task of sponsoring for Fellowship, Workshops, Seminars, and Surveys.

Recently the WHO Programme Co-ordinator in East Africa agreed to supply medicaments and Drugs for Mazimbu ANC/Holland Solidarity Hospitals on 3 monthly basis.

We have received Drugs and Hospital REquipment from donors organised by our mission abroad.

Recently we have had more offers of training our personnel these are still to be discussed due to lack of information in the curriculae involved.

Comrades, you will recall that at the Primary Health Care Workshop for the leadership of the ANC, which was held in Lusaka Mulungushi Hall in November/December, 1984 it was emphasised that participation of all in the promotion and maintenance of Health of our people is very important. If health services are to succeed Health Personnel and other structures should co-ordinate.

Comrades, we feel time has come whereby Health Projects should be implemented right inside South Africa. We get disturbing reports on the standard of health services for our people at home. Groups have been formed to try and improve conditions. These groups work under difficult conditions due

to lack of funds, The racist regime does not allocate enough money for improvement. Whatever is done is through donations from individuals. There is no allocation of money for the implementation of Primary Health Care programme. The WHO theme of which is HEALTH FOR ALL BY THE YEAR 2000. People inside South Africa are directly involved in the struggle, to avoid exposure to the enemy by attending Public Health Institutions in case of Injury or illness we feel we should embark on Health Projects right inside South Africa, without enough funds these projects will not succeed.

The Department of Health is represented at this Workshop to learn methods of organising funds of financial gain to assist people at home. As we said participation of all is necessary for the improvement of health services we appeal to all the participants at this Workshop to help in planning for health projects which will be beneficial to the people of South Africa at home and abroad. We as members of the Liberation Movement have no allocation of funds from U.N. agencies what we receive is the surplus left over after allocation to member countries.

The Department of Health has managed to get material assistance, but has to make an effort to obtain financial gain as well. We have no plans in our programme for such projects, but having participated in this workshop we will develop ideas on how we can participate in fund raising campaigns.

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