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AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

WALTER MAX ULYATE SISULU

Born 18 May 1912 at Engcobo, Transkei. Attended missionary schools in the Transkei. Left school early. Thereafter self educated.

1928 - 1929 : Worked as a dairy in the mines.

1930 : left Transkei for Johannesburg, where he was

active in Civic Associations.

1940 : Joined the African National Congress

1943 - 1944 Together with Oliver Tambo and Nelson Mandela

became founder members of the African National

Congress Youth League.

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1944 : Marries Albertina Nontsikelelo Sisulu.

1946 : Elected Secretary General, Member of the

National Executive Committee of the African

National Congress.

1952 : Led the Defiance Campaign Against Unjust Laws,

arrested for participation.

1956 : Arrested with 155 other National Leaders for

organising the Congress of the People.

Charged with High Treason.

1960: All accused, including Walter Sisulu, acquitted

and discharged. African National Congress and

other democratic organisations declared illegal.

1960 - 1963 : Active in the underground, joins Umkotho We Sizwe the Military Wing of the African National Congress.

j 1963 : Arrested at Rivonia - the underground

3 headquarters of the Liberation Movement.

1964: Together with Nelson Mandela, Govan Mbeki and others, sentenced to life imprisonment on Robbin Island.

1982 : Transferred from Robbin Island to Pollsmoor Prison in the Cape.

1989 : October - released unconditionally after 26 years in prison.

1990: After the unbanning of the African national Congress - appointed Internal Leader of the organisation, charged with the responsibility of rebuilding the African national Congress as a legal, mass - based organisation.

1991 : July - At the first National Conference of the African national Congress in more than 30 years _ elected Deputy President of the African National Congress.