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MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE MEETING

Time: 12 February 1988 at 3 p.m.

Venue: The Library

Present: Cde Babu September

Tim Maseko

Andrew Masondo

Marjatta Lahti

Agenda: 1) Opening the meeting

- 2) Library project proposal for Finnida
- 3) Results of the Library Assistants' Certificate Course
- 4) Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising from the minutes

1 § Opening the meeting

Cde Maseko who was elected chairman, opened the meeting.

2 § Library project proposal for FINNIDA

"The ANC Library Project: a project proposal", a paper which has now been submitted to the Finnish Embassy in Lusaka, was discussed.

It was noted that there is a great need to educate more comrades to become librarians. The Mazimbu Library alone needs more manpower, and also the needs of other ANC libraries have to be taken into consideration. While the comrades are being trained, volunteer librarians are needed to keep the libraries going. Cde September stressed that a commitment should be made for a volunteer librarian to stay for a longer period than the two years now suggested. It was felt that funds coming from one main source would make the library administration and planning work easier, and would allow the personnel to concentrate on the actual library work.

Books, other library material and equipment are still needed for all the libraries.

As a whole, the committee felt that the matters taken up in the Project proposal were necessary for developing the ANC library services.

3 § Results of the Library Assistants' Certificate Course

The meeting was informed that four comrades had successfully completed their Library Assistants' Certificate Course. Cde Robert Mthembu gained a merit, and comrades Mandisa Ngxale, Mantombi Sadike, Peggy Deyi and Felicity Nxumalo received a pass.

- 4 § Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising from the minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Librarian. As matters arising from the minutes it was noted that
 - opening hours of the Library had been extended, and the Library is now open twice a week up to 9 p.m.,
 - the Tanzanian Government had informed the ANC that employing a Tanzanian Library Assistant was not advisable,
 - Cde Masondo promised to further inquire about the possibility of transferring the culture rehearsals further away from the Library.

5 § Closing the meeting

The meeting was closed at 4 p.m.

Tim Maseko

Chairman

Marjatta Lahti

Secretary