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MEMORANDUM

TO: TREASURY

FROM AC SIDWESHU

DEPT: REGIONAL COMMISSAR

DATE: 23 AUGUST 1984

Subject: Re Mechanical Work Shop

I am worried about the Workshop, there are lots of complaints about it I therefore suggest that the Work Shop is closed from the first of September 1984 and we re arrange it properly. I have the following names of our Mechanics who could form a team of Unit in that work Shop.

- A) 1 Cde David
- 2 " Lubisis
- 3 " Pax
- 4 " Kgesi
- 5 " Manamela
- 6 " Ally (Dakawa)
- 7 " Mandle
- 8 " Mpapathi

Other Staff:

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| B) 1 Comrade George Monare, | Manager |
| 2 | Stores |
| 3 | Buyers |
| 4 | Typist |
| 5 | Stock |

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In the Year of Women

Signed AC Sidweshu

cc Director

Project Manager

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS. (SA)

Private Bag Mazimbu

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X
30th September, 1984.

The Director

Mazimbu

Comrade Tikly,

Re: Nattie Marcus.

30th August 1984, in the morning at 12:30hrs. Comrade Nattie Marcus asked me to come to his office and discuss with him, I then went to his office, he started talking saying:

- 1 Saying if we were to agree we must not create structures which at the end we cannot be in a position to know what they are doing.
- 2 I should stop interfering on issues which I am not suppose to, like the issue of Abdullale Motors, the issue of the machanics which I am writting the blinking letters.

I stopped him, I asked him if he wants to discuss with me, if so he must not use insulting words. He continued raising his voice then I said I am not prepared to listen to him if he continues like that, but he could not stop, then I decided to walk out of his office, he stood up and stopped me, but I told him that I am not going to, because he was abusive and not prepared to discuss instead coursing some problems for me. Comrade Hopolang was in the Office witnessed this scene. Now I want to raise this issue that if Comrade Nattie wanted to discuss with me he would have not acted as he did, he has acted very irresponsible, this would have caused something else. I can act or I would have acted very irresponsible but I dont want to.

I wouldlikethat Comrade Nattie be changed in this place, he is tired he wants to couse problems before he lives

so that Comrades I dont think this is the way he should go about in this way if he cant do his work let him say so, not to look for scape goat please, let the Treasurer-General be informed about this because he is deliberately provoking trouble. I did not want to make this an issue but I think he does not like to work here any longer and he must be excused. If we want to control and continue to work in this complex smoothly let Comrade Nattie be placed else where.

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AS Sidweshu

Regional Commissar. 

cc Chief Representative (Dar)

Chairman of the RPC Regional Cde Mendi

Treasurer 

REPORT ON THE GARAGE SITUATION AND OUR FINDINGS

12 SEPTEMBER 1984

After receiving information about theft which have been going on in the garage spare parts store; since the kind of information received was classical, we decided to go and way-lay the thieves where they normally go and sell their goods, i.e. at Tshume's Garage viz Morogoro Auto-electrical. Fitting to our information which said this practice has been going on for a long time we even knew that the thieves usually arrived for selling at about 4.30 pm. One Storeman Dickson Mtango and one mechanic Omera Madenge were caught red-handed with 5 pieces of motor spare parts.

Following their arrest the authorities then decided to close both the Garage and the Spares Stores, in order that we could investigate how much damage and how this stealing is recorded in their books also how these things move first out of the Stores and then out of the gate.

Two groups were set up, one to go into the Spares Stores and the other to investigate or question the mechanics about irregularities surrounding the Garage and Spares Stores.

The finding of both groups in a very short investigation proved that there has been serious theft occurring almost everyday for about a year. The books of the Spare Parts Shop showed glaring cooking of books. According to their system nothing came out of the Stores without the authorisation of the Foreman and this is done through a job card. But we found that there are some entries in the books of the stores which record items out and are not entered anywhere and they are obviously not fitted into any car. Also in the Spares Stores about a third of the goods inside have never been entered into their goods received book.

On questioning those arrested and those still working it became clear that it was a free for all when it came to stealing and this was practised and encouraged by those responsible for this place. Firstly because the Foreman also is a very unfaithful worker and he also runs his racket, that both David I Kill and Foreman never made it their duty to make sure that everything which came in was recorded. It was also revealed that even Mkeka ie the Foreman was aware that a third of goods were not entered, he was also found to be in possession of very expensive material in a cupboard in his office. The Foreman also brought his friends ie a certain dealer by the name of Mkomba, this man came into business with us and in about four months we had done business with him totalling about $\pm 350\ 000/-$. Amongst the goods he sold to us there are some goods which are old and are not working, e g we paid $25\ 000/-$ for a differential which does not work and is not new. Still dealing with the Foreman there are several items which were bought by the Foreman himself (a) with very inflated prices (b) some things were bought or repaired and paid for more than twice (c) [one time he brought a steering box for the school landrover for which we paid $66\ 000/-$ and later we bought the same item for $12\ 000/-$]. Note that the steering box brought by the Foreman was not in order hence the School Landrover had to get a new steering box. A number of receipts were brought to us by the Foreman are receipts which have shown abnormal prices sometimes the prices

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are doubled or more. On questioning some of the mechanics they openly told us about some of the above mentioned things. Some of the allegations made by the mechanics were proved true as our investigation showed.

About the Spare Part store we found out that both the Storeman had been working in collaboration with two mechanics ie they formed two teams of thieves, that is the two which were arrested and the other two being Storeman Makonela and Mechanic viz Dennis. Two of the mechanics who were said to be the foreman's men flatly refused to answer questions put to them. We also had a very difficult time when trying to get assistance from Cde David i e I Kill. There are also allegations of him also being involved in these misappropriation of funds of the Movement using the Garage in one form or the other.

Other serious matter was on selling of old cars which were sold by the Treasurer on advice sought from the Foreman. Allegations say that he always brought his friends and in any sale he (Foreman) always had a share. This is possible since all these vehicles were sold at next to nothing on Tanzanian prizes e g 2 M/Benz trucks with gear boxes, differentials, springs and a relatively good body were sold at 10 000/= each; whilst when he was questioned he agreed that an old reliable gear box of that car in town goes for 25 000/=.

Since this is just an interim report, I hope a team of experienced storemen and people with a good background of accountancy will be chosen to go and further the investigation so that we can have a full picture of the whole damage.

Signed:

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African National Congress

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11th October 1984

Cde Natie Marcus,
A.N.C. Regional Treasurer,
Mazimbu,
Morogoro.

Dear Cde Natie,

I refer to your letter of 08/10/84 concerning the special Directorate meeting of 5th October 1984, for which I thank you. I regret to have missed ~~this~~ meeting due to unavoidable circumstances.

From the begining I must express my suprise and regret at the extreme position you have once more taken viz to "withhold" your services as Regional Treasurer of the A.N.C. after a meeting of the A.N.C. took decisions that displeased you or decisions with which you did not agree. This is incorrect in the A.N.C. and in my view if you felt very strongly about decisions the meeting arrived at, which in your opinion were eroneous, you should have sought guidance from H.Q. but continued at your post.

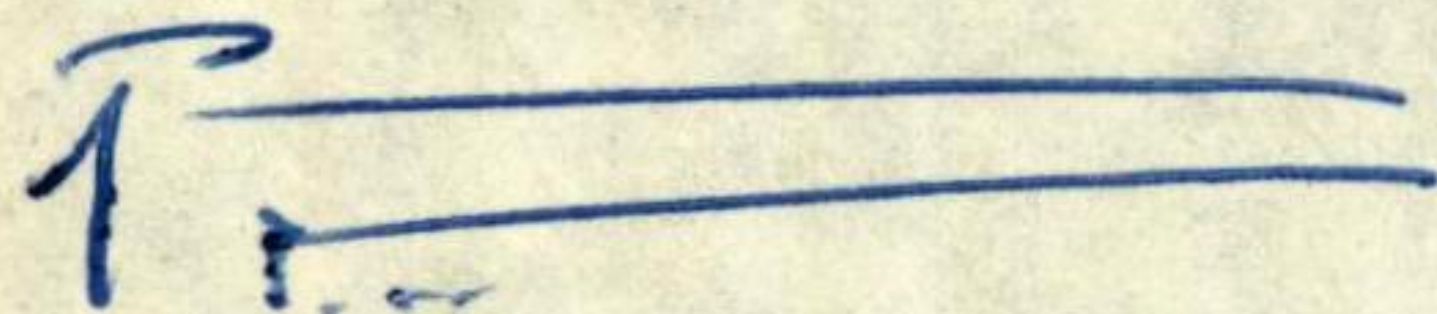
According to the report I have received enormous sums of money and material resources of the organisation have been misappropriated. You yourself have "endorsed" the decision of the Directorate in dismissing employees caught red-handed with ANC property but reject the allegations against other workers. Further, you fell that evidence in this case is based on "hearsay, surmise, fabrications and distortion of facts".

I think I have to sound a word of caution on the type of phraseology you have used in an official letter to me - a phraseology that casts a shade on the intergrity of comrades with whom we serve on the Directorate and in the ANC generally.

But apart from what I have said above, I want you to know that no matter how much you disagree with that decision of the Directorate you have no right as an ANC member to stay away from work. The majority decision of an ANC meeting binds you too, and you even incur the responsibility to carry out or implement the majority decision.

But it remains your right to appeal to higher authority for the correction or reversal of what you consider to be ^awrong decision. This is open to you but you must remain on your post.

In the Year of the Women,



Stanley Mabizela,
Chief Representative.

AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS
(SOUTH AFRICA)

c.c. The President - Lusaka.
 " Secretary- General - Lusaka.
 " Treasurer-General - " .
 " Director - Mazimbu.

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THE CHIEF-REPRESENTATIVE
ANC(SA)
DAR-ES-SALAAM.

1984/10/08

Dear Cde.Stanley,

On Friday the 5th. instant a Special Directorate Meeting was held to consider and decide on the findings submitted by an investigating body that had been set up to enquire into thefts alleged to have been committed by certain individuals who were found in possession of spares and were consequently apprehended and dismissed.


I fully endorse the decision to dismiss those employees who were found in possession of the stolen goods. However, I reject in toto and without qualification the actions taken to collect evidence, the facts presented as evidence and the subsequent decision of the Directorate on the 5th. instant. My reasons for this are the following:

1. all the evidence is based on hearsay, surmise and fabrication and distortion of facts;
 2. many items of omission are taken as evidence of thieving and as part of a scheme calculated to defraud;
 3. the Foreman is held totally responsible for any acts of omission or commission that may have been evidence regarding the writing up of the records of the stores itself;
 4. the manner in which the evidence was collected clearly indicates the total ignorance of the investigators as to how the Kalamazoo system can and does indicate any physical differences in the stocks;
 5. the Directorate Meeting has demonstrated a total bias and a lack of ability to assess and consider the so-called evidence submitted;
 6. in view of the fact that the Foreman had my full support in whatever he did in the execution of his duties, the indictment against him is equally applicable to me. It has also become evident that this kind of spurious evidence is going to be used against me in any future action, and statements to that effect, have been made.
 7. my position at present is totally untenable. I cannot function in the
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present circumstances and I am therefore withholding my services as Treasurer till I get clarification on this issue from Headquarters. I will submit my own report without any delay to the Treasurer-General for his formal decision.

I am yours faithfully,



NATHAN MARCUS
REGIONAL TREASURER(EA)

Copy to all Directors

