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**MEDIA RELEASE**

The African National Congress is pleased to announce that the Southern Africa report of the Business Council for Sustainable Development (BCSD) will be presented to the President of the African National Congress, Mr Nelson Mandela, tomorrow morning.

The African National Congress is strongly committed to an environmental policy that will secure sustainable growth and create a safe and healthy environment. This requires that a future growth strategy must be compatible with ecological and human rights principles, and that growth should be geared towards the provision of basic needs to benefit the whole community. In order to achieve this we have committed ourselves at our National Policy Conference to work for the development of appropriate environmental awareness programmes for all sectors of our society to reinforce harmonious and traditional links with the environment. The people of South Africa should be empowered to participate in the planning, development and management of our country's resources.

In the light of this commitment to our environment, and especially because of Mr Mandela's often voiced concern about environmental issues, we greatly appreciate the honour that the UN conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) and the BCSD bestow on us by presenting the Southern Africa Report to Mr Mandela, as the first South African leader to receive it.

This report will also be submitted to the Eco '92 conference which commenced yesterday in Rio. The African National Congress, believing that national and international environmental issues are inextricably linked, is also represented at that conference.

The BCSD Southern African report will be presented to Mr Mandela tomorrow morning at the ANC Head Office, 51 Plein Street. The ceremony will commence at 8:00 in the boardroom on the 10th floor. Journalists are advised to be present at 7:45.

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