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National Conference In Support of the African National Congress

And Other Democratic Forces for a New South Africa

November 13-15, 1992

Riverside Church, New York City

Draft Program Outilne

Conference Objectives:

1.

To provide a forum for the presentation and discussion of the current priorities of the African National Congress and other democratic forces of South Africa as they embark upon the transition to a unitary, non-sexist, non-racial and democratic society;

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To forge a new national coalition of anti-apartheid activists, development

organizations, religious communities, trade unions, mmdals and others

committed to ending partheid and the development of mocratic South Africa;

To forge new. s/mth the busnness community toward Insurmg that

transformation and reconstruction efforts entail Black empowerment as a priority as part of a socially responsible economic engagement; and

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To develop a Program of Action based on constituency groups and the /b 1/; :1 I (/3 esWe of a We structure to facilitate its implementation. '

Conference Format

Friday, November 13, 1992

9 am - 7 pm. Registration

9:30 am. - Noon Opening Plenary Session

Co-chairs: Lennox S. Hinds, Esq, Interim Director, Mandela Freedom

Fund; Rev. Dr. Joan 8. Campbell, General Secretary, National Council

of Churches; Rev. Dr. M. William Howard, .Jr., President, New York

Theological Seminary."

Greetings

H.E. David N. Dinkins, Mayor of New York

H.E. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, United Nations Secretary General

HE. Ibrahima Sy, Executive Secretary. Organization of African Unity

H.E. Simbarashe Mumbengegwi, Chair Frontline States

The Hon. Paul Simon, Chair, Africa Sub-Committee of Senate Foreign

Relations Committee

Cleveland Robinson. District 65 'For Identification Only

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Acknowledgement oi Distinguished Guests

Presentation by Senior African National Congress Representative

The Hon. Thabo Mbeki

Director of International Affairs

Member Nationa! Executive Committee

African National Congress

(Outline of current status of negotiations, impact of violence and other impediments to the process, and strategies for the future.)

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The Hon. Ronald V. Dellums

U.S. Congress

(Outline of the inter-relationship between the struggles within South Africa and the US.)

Noon - 1 pm. Lunch (Available at conference site)

1:15 p.m.- 3:15 pm. Issues Workshops (Two sessions of each wil! be held)

3:30 pm. - 5:30 pm. Presentations will be made by representative from South Africa on the immediate and long term priorities in their respective areas. US. representatives win facilitate the discussion and development of policy proposals for future action.

1. Labor Unions and the Rights 01 Workers

Objective: To define labor's relationship to the ANC, its program during the transition period and its economic, political and social agenda for transformation of the apartheid society.

Presenter: Bangumzi Sitingo - COSATU International Attairs

Suggested Facilitators:

Vice-President - United Auto Workers

Joyce Miller, Coalition of Labor Union Women

Dennis Rivers - District 1199 (NY)

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William Lucy - AFSCME, Pres. Coalition of Black Trade Unionists

Don Stillman - UAW

David Shelton - TWU (Bay Area)

Edgar Romny - IGWLU

Stanley H"! - Executive Director, District 37-AFSCME (NY)

Workshop Coordinator: Cleveland Robinson

District 65

2. Health Care as a Basic Right

Objective: To discuss proposals for the establishment of and access to health care systems; to identify primary needs for material aid and technical assistance.

Presenter: Dr. Ralph Mgiyiml - ANC Department at Health

Suggested Facilitators:

Dr. Heien Rodriguez-Trias - Pres., American Public Health Association

Dr. Vincente Navarro - Professor of Health Policy, Johns Hopkins University (PA)

Physicians for Social Responsibility

Black Women's Health Project

Nomgcobo Sangweni, Health Planning Analyst, NYC Department of Health (NY)

Marvyn Susser - President, CHISA (NY)

Physicians for Social Responsibiity (Dr. Vicki Alexander ?)

Physicians for Human Rights (Geiger ?)

American Medical Association (?)

National Medical Association

National Nurses' Association

Workshop Coordinators: Beth Lyons, Esq.

Benjamin Muthambi

Columbia University Public Health Program

3. Community Planning: Housing and lntrastructures

Objective: To define urban and rural issues related to h0using needs and development strategies; attention to environmental impact.

Presenter: To be Decided by ANC Department of Planning and Development

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Suggested Facilitators:

Max Bond - Dean of Architecture and Environmental Studies, CCNY (NY)

Roberta Washington - (NY)

Ronald Schiffman - Director, Pratt Institute (NY)

Kenneth H. Simmons, Associate Professor of Architecture & Community Planning, U.C., Berkeley (CA)

Andy Reicher - Director, Urban Homesteading Assistance Board (NY)

Reganold Todd or Jeremy Haeger - USAID (DC)

Workshop Coordinator: Zandile Sithole

Cooper Square Community Development Committee 8.

Businessmen's Association/Cooper Square Mutual Housing Association

#### 4. Education and Training

Objective: To identify the effects of apartheid and to discuss proposals for a unified national education and training system, early childhood development programs, curriculum development, access to scholarships and foreign student exchanges.

Presenter: John Samuels - Director, ANC Department of Education

Suggested Facilitators:

Dr. Barbara Kamara - Executive Director, Early Childhood Development (DC)

Dr. Sonya Nieto. School of Education, University of Massachusetts (MA)

Dean Henry Ramsey - Howard University Law School (DC)

Dr. Tilden LeMeHe - President, University Of the District of Columbia (DC)

Dr. Walter Smith - Former President, Florida A&M (FL)

National Educational Association

National Association of Black School Educators

Superintendent of Schools - Milwaukee (WI)

Dr. Valerie Smith - Director of International Programs to Historical Black Colleges - USA ID

(DC)

Chancellor - U.C.-Berkeley (CA)

Carl McCall - President, NYC Board of Education (NY)

Workshop Coordinator: Dr. Cecelia McCall

Council on Interracial Books for Children

## 5. Investment Policies and Economic Development

Presenters: Thabo Mbeki - Director, ANC Department of International Affairs

Israel Skosana - Businesssperson

Suggested Facilitators:

Bertram M. Lee - Chair, Albimar Communications, Inc. (DC)

David Crocker - Working Assets

Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton &arrison

Objective: To examine the role of women in the national liberation struggle; to identify the

Presenter: Baleka Kgositsilo - ANC Women's League

Vinie Burrows - UN Representative. Women's International Democratic Federation (NY)

Dorothy Height - President, Council of Negro Women (DC)

Harriet Michel - Executive Director, NY/NJ Minority Purchasing Council

Jewel Jackson-McCabe - President, Coalition of 100 Black Women (NY)

Walteen Grady-Truley, National Organization of Women

President, National YWCA

Dr. Bertha MaxweH-Rodney - President, Delta Sigma Theta-National

Workshop Coordinator: Heiet Merkleling, Esq.

Roben F. Kennedy Memorial Center

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#### 7. Constitutional and Legal Initiatives

Presenter: Zolla Skweyiya - Director, ANC Department of Legal Affairs

Suggested Facilitators:

Prof. Kellis Parker, Esq. - Columbia University School of Law (NY)

National Conference of Black Lawyers (Margaret Burnham, Esq., Former Judge, Boston Municipal Court) .

Center for Constitutional Rights

Dean Mark Tushnet, Georgetown University School of Law (DC)

John Powell - Legal Director, ACLU

Prof. Frank Askin, Rutgers Law School, (NJ) ?

Prof. Lawrence Tribe, Harvard Law School (MA) ?

Dean Jack Greenberg, Columbia Law School (NY)

National Bar Association

American Bar Association

Workshop Coordinator: Deborah Jackson, Esq.

The City of New York, Bureau of Labor Services

#### 8. Impact of Apartheid on Southern Africa

Objective: To focus on apartheid as a destabilizing force within the region; to discuss strategies for assisting the Frontline States during South Africa's transition to democracy.

Presenter: H.E. Simbarashe Mumbengeng - Chair, Frontline States

Suggested Presenters:

Gay McDougall - Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law (DC)

Prexy Nesbin - Mozambique Solidarity Network (IL)

Dr. Gerald Horne - Chair, Black Studies Department, U.C.-Santa Barbara (CA)

American Committee on Africa

Elombe Brath - Patrice Lumumba Coalition (NY)

William Minter Washington Office on Africa (DC)

Workshop Coordinator: Imoni Countess (Invited)

Acting Director - Washington Office on Africa

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9. Arts, Culture and Sports

To examine cultural and athletic institutions and policies for their transformation  
Objective:

to democratic institutions and their contribution to the quality of life and health  
for the population of South Africa; to discuss the role of a National Sports  
Commission and other national structures.

Presenter: Mongane Wally Serote - ANC Cultural Department

Steve Tshwete - ANC Department of Sports

Suggested Facilitators:

Howard Dobson - Schomburg Center for Research (NY)

Prof. Harry Edwards - San Jose State College (CA)

Harry Belefonte

Arthur Ashe (NY)

International Olympic Preparatory Committee

Dr. Mel Edwards - Board of Directors, Studio Museum of Harlem (NY)

United States Students Association (Sports Dept.) (DC)

Workshop Coordinator: Melba Johnson-Kgositsile

Council on Interracial Books for Children

10. The Religious Community and Its Role In the Struggle

To re-introduce the work of South African religious communities to their US.

Objective:

counterparts; to discuss ways of strengthening ties between religious bodies.

Rev. Dr. Frank Chikane - Secretary General, South African Council of  
Churches

Presenter:

Suggested Facilitators:

Dr. Dawud Assad - President, Council of Mosques (NY)

Sr. Barbara Glendon - Director, Tri-State Coalition for Responsible Investment (NY)

Rev. Mac Charles Jones, Cultural Committee, World Council of Churches

Rabbi David Saperstein, United American Hebrew Congress Religious Center

The Rt. Rev. Chester L. Talton, Suffragan Bishop-LA, The Episcopal Church (CA)

Rev. Wyatt T. Walker - Pastor, Canaan Baptist Church, Progressive National Baptist  
Convention (NY)

Workshop Coordinator: Rev. Andy Smith (Invited)

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11. Children, Students and Youth

Objective: To discuss the specific needs. and problems faced by young people from the legacy of apartheid; to examine specialized programs for the various age groups.

Presenter: Bridget Mabandla - ANC Women's League

Suggested Facilitators:

National Office of the Children's Defense Fund (DC)

Paula Bower - Chair, Educators Against Racism & Apartheid (NY)

Dr. June Christmas - Former President. American Public Health Association (NY)

Dr. Alvin Poussaint (Child Psychiatrist), Harvard Medical School (MA)

Dr. James Comer (Child Psychiatrist), Yale University Medical School (CT)

Dr. James Grier, Institute of Psychiatry (CA)

United States Students Association (DC)

National Institute for the Black Child (DC)

National Association for Education of Young Children (DC)

Workshop Coordinator: Betsy Burian

Early Childhood Development

12. Establishing a Democratic Media

Objective: To discuss proposals for media accountability; to examine methods by which U.S. journalists/media experts and media-related union members can provide assistance.

Presenter: Zwelakhe Sisulu - Editor, New Nation

Suggested Facilitators:

National Association of Black Journalists (NY or DC)

Jonathan Tasini - President, National Writers Union (NY)

Gil Noble - Producer, Like It Is (NY)

Don Rojas, Amsterdam News (NY)

Percy Sutton, InnerCity Broadcasting (NY)

Ted Turner or Bernard Shaw, CNN (GA)

Director of Columbia School of Journalism (NY)

Anthony Lewis, National Syndicated Columnist (MA)

Jennifer Lawson - Director of Programming, National Public TV

Jack OhDell - Board Chair, National Public Radio



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Gwen McKinney - National Alliance of Third World Journalists  
Workshop Coordinator: Sybil Wong  
National Writers Union

13. Violence and State Terrorism

Objective: To insure a common understanding of the apartheid government's involvement in committing and sponsoring acts of violence against the democratic forces; to dispel the myth of "black on black" violence; to discuss the role of effective anti-violence campaigns abroad.

Presenter: To Be decided by the ANC

Facilitators:

Dumisani Kumalo - Project Director, American Committee on Africa (NY)

Amnesty international (Susan Riveles ?) (DC)

Lee Brown - Former NYC Police Commissioner

Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

Lou Wolf - Editor, Covert Action Information Bulletin

UN Commission on Crime

Native American Organization

National Law Association

Workshop Coordinator: Mike Fleshman

American Committee on Africa

14. Development Issues: US Foundation Asslstance In Building Indigenous SA NGO's

To discuss ways in which US foundations and NGO's can assist SA NGOs in capacity building and establishing development issues; to create joint ventures or projects between SA NGOs and U.S. foundations and other development agencies.

Objective:

Presenter: Eric Molobi - Genera! Secretary, Kagiso (Peace) Trust

Dr. Zanele Mbeki - Director, Women's Development Bank, SA

Suggested Facilitators:

James A. Josephs - President, Council on Foundations

Jacqui Burton - Chair, Association of Black Foundation Executives

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Franklin Thomas - President Ford Foundation (NY)  
Dr. Bernard Watson - President, William Penn Foundation  
Kellog's Foundation  
Rockefeller Foundation  
MacAuthur Foundation  
Mott Foundation  
Kaiser Foundation  
Scuth African Grantmakers Group  
Workshop Coordinator: Themba Vilikazi  
7 pm. - 9 pm. Fundraiser Reception (Special guests and South African Delegation)  
Social for Conterence Participants

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Saturday, November 14, 1992

9 am. - 11 am. Plenary Session - Highlights of Issues Workshops Reports

Presentation: US. Policy on South Africa

Suggested Speakers:

Randall Robinson - Executive Director, TransAfrica

The Hon. George w. Crockett - Former Congressman (Michigan)

11 am. - 1 pm. Constituency Workshops

Participants will discuss the major points identified in the Issues

Workshops and develop practical strategies for their specific

constituency in a Program of Action.

Constituencies:

Labor Unions

Religious Organizations

Legislative Lobbying

Legal Organizations

Community Development Organizations

Women's Organizations

Business

Cultural Groups

Spons

Environmental Groups

1 pm. - 2 pm. Lunch

2:15 pm. - 6:15 pm. Constituency Workshops (Continued)

Finalize Program of Action for each constituency group.

8 pm. - 10 pm. Public Rally/Concert Commemorating the 80m Anniversary of the ANC

The Hon. Neison Mandela - President, ANC

The Hon. Maxine Waters, Congressperson

Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, Rainbow Coalition

H.E. Mr. Kalamoh, Ambassador of Namibia to the us.

U.s. Elected Officials

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Artists

Representative from the us. Anti-Apartheid Movement

Sunday, November 15, 1992

Final Plenary - Presentation of Program of Action from each

9 am. - Noon

Constituency Workshop

Establishment of national representative structure for the  
implementation of the Programs of Action.

Press Conference

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#### Draft Workshop Proposal

U.S. Anti-apartheid Supporters and Activists:

Keeping the Pressure on During the Transformation to Democracy In South Africa

Objectives: To seek the assistance of those who have long been involved in the United States in the anti-apartheid struggle in formulating the ongoing plans to insure that the plight of South Africans is not forgotten in America. Particular emphasis should be placed on how American activists can assist their brothers and sisters in South Africa in the following areas, among others:

1. Securing the release of remaining political prisoners
2. Stemming the political vioience
- 3 Supporting the positions of the democratic movement during the negotiations process.

To create a committee that will mobilise the American people to support the process of change in South Africa.

Presenter: To be decided by the ANC

Facilitators: To be suggested by the Workshop Coordinator in con3ultation with the program and Outreach committees.

Suggested Workshop Coordinator:

Prepared by: Thabo Mbeki & Sydney Mufamadi