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at Codesa

THE Convention for a Democratic South Africa has turned down a sub-committee proposal that Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini and other traditional leaders be given full status at the talks.

Instead, the sensitive issue has been referred back to an expanded sub-committee with explicit terms of reference.

A member of Codesa's management committee, who asked not to be named, yesterday revealed details of the original subcommittee's decision.

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He said the one-page document was "torn to shreds" during a lengthy debate of the management committee on Monday.

The committee's chairman, Mr Pravin Gordhan, later told a news conference that the original reference had been vague and insufficient

"The sub-committee had recommended that full status be given to the 24 king and other traditional leaders at Codesa," the committee member said yesterday.

The sub-committee proposed that presentation of By SAPA

traditional leaders be divided into 10 regions based on the TBVC states and self-governing territories. They would have joined Codesa's 19 current participants, each comprising 12 delegates and five advisers.

"The big problem for the majority of the management committee members was that Codesa has a political foundation, and if we give it a

accepted the tepid Codesa would have moved away from its political base to include ethnicity. That would have created serious problems for Codesa.

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