

The commission first heard an input from Comrade Lekota. After that a lot of issues amounting to 24 points were raised. These were further collapsed to 6 headings for discussion purposes. The headings are:

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#### NEGOTIATIONS

Release of Political Prisoners

Return of exiles

Constituent Assembly

Interim Government

Dismantling of Apartheid structures eg. Local Government,

Bantustans, Town Councils

#### EDUCATION

#### VIOLENCE

#### GENDER

\* Affirmative Action for women in the ANC

I \* Sexual Harassment

#### BUILDING ORGANISATION -

\* Decentralisation and Democratisation of leadership

\* Building the Alliance

\* Recruitment

\* Affirmative Action for Rural Areas

#### SOCIAL WELFARE AND HEALTH

\* Aids and HIV testing

\* disparities of social services

\* creating full employment

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The following demands were identified:

- immediate release of political prisoners including those on death row and the unconditional return of exiles

dismantling of Bantustans

Ultimatum to end Violence as a violation of the Groote

Schuur and Pretoria Minutes

â\200\224 Demand for an Interim Government and Constituent Assembly

- Immediate repeal of all repressive legislation:

There was a proposal for a theme for this campaign but this should be finalised by the proposed National Campaigns Committee .

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Campaign:

The following forms of mass action were identified to pressurize the state to move speedily towards meeting the above demands and should commence between January and March 1991. It was proposed that the campaign be launched on 8 January 1991.

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marches, demonstrations and the occupation of embassies of governments which are traditional supporters of the regime like Britain, should take place on the day parliament is opened and on the days which the ANC is meeting with De Klerk.

mass rallies

A national consumer boycott was proposed for the week following the opening of parliament and there should be definite time limits given for this.

jamming telephones to parliament while parliament is in session

The convening of a Patriotic Front by the ANC to evolve common strategy against Apartheid, should take place before De Klerk convenes his Multi-party summit. A week long stayaway was proposed to take place in June 1991. (This will only happen if the State has not responded to our demands and in consultation with our allies)

From February the ANC should embark on the following programme to speed up the dismantling of the Bantustans and educating our people on the demand for a Constituent Assembly:

- A signature campaign which will entail door to door work
- an ARC delegation to Bantustan leaders pressurise them into meeting the demands of the people at the local level and informing them of the ANC's programmes to dismantle Apartheid
- the calling of a referendum in those Bantustans where it is appropriate

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The Commission felt strongly that the campaign on education should focus on the re-orientation of the community and students towards W-

The commission proposes the following theme for the Education Campaign "200\235 Mass Education Now"

'The campaign could be divided into medium and short term objectives:

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Medium Term: One education system for all.

Short Term:

For the past few years our movement has been calling for students to go back to school. Unfortunately this call did not take into consideration that there were many factors militating against effective learning.

The commission felt strongly that the ANC must be seen to be addressing the Education Crisis in the country. The Commission recommended that it be done in the following ways:

a) The ARC should set in motion processes that will ensure that education is open to all our people, young and old. This will be done by branches initiating Adult Schools. The following guidelines should be used for this purpose:

i) Regions and branches should set up Task Forces which should identify and then negotiate with Church and School authorities for premises to be used. Also unused white schools need to be identified.

ii) Teachers should be asked to conduct classes. A special appeal should be made to university students, professionals and returnees with skills to assist.

iii) We need to approach businesses for sponsorship towards the infrastructure and running of these schools.

iv) Branches could consider charging a nominal fee to prospective students in order to help build self-reliance.

v) Branches should initiate mass action to pressurise provincial authorities to subsidise such schools and pay teachers salaries.

b) It is proposed that as part of re-orientating the community towards the culture of learning the following sub-theme should be adopted - " Prepare for National Democracy - Learn New!"

This sub-theme should be manifested in the following way:

1. A call by the leadership for the students to go back to school and ensure that effective learning takes place. The emphasis of the speech should be on the reasons why students should return to school. This call

should be made in the January 8 Speech.

2. Demand from the state the provision of resources such as stationery, text books etc.

3. The ANC must demand an increase in state expenditure for black education.

4. The ANC should pressurise the state before the opening of parliament to meet the above demands.

5. The ANC should explain fully to the NECC, COSAS, SANSCO, NUSAS the details of this campaign.

6. The ANC branches should set up Education Units which should inter alia monitor safety at schools, to fight against gangsterism, sexual and drug abuse.

7. That the ANC actively support existing campaigns of the NECC and other democratic organisations. An example being

the opening of all schools to all people.

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A programme of action on the issue of violence has been addressed by the commission on Violence.

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The commission strongly noted that the ANC's Policy on Affirmative Action for women had not been implemented. The commission recommended the following:

a) that 8 March should be a day set aside to focus on women's issues nationally. A proposal for marches around violence against women to be held on this day.

b) The ARC must implement its policy to adequately include women on all its structures. The present representation of women on structures is not proportional to the actual membership of women in the ANC.

c) that branches should discuss the issue of gender and specifically look at the document on Gender and the Constitution and to actively get involved in the Women's Charter Campaign

(1) Branches should seriously address the problem of sexual harassment

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A number of problems were raised with regards to the nature of our organisation and a resolution has been submitted to the resolutions committee. The Commission discussed:

a) Building the Alliance

\* to build the alliance from branch to national levels through joint campaigns

\* joint discussions on important issues must be held at all levels

\* mass education on the need for the alliance

\* a joint workshop to formulate clear guidelines on the structure of the Alliance

COSATU should recruit for the ANC and vice versa

Labour sub-committees should be created at all levels in the ARC

\* an urgent workshop must be convened to address the relationship between the ANC and the UDF

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b) Recruitment

The commission proposed the following:

1. Recruit one million members by June.

2. On the days on which we embark on mass actions there must be a vigorous recruitment campaign.

3. The paper by Comrade Mbeki should be concretised to ensure decentralisation and deepening of recruitment.

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c) Affirmative Action for Rural Areas

The commission strongly noted the disparities between urban and rural areas and felt that a programme of Affirmative Actionâ\200\230 be worked out to redress this problem. This will take the form of a resolution to be drafted by the Resolution Committee.

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The commission felt that the ANC should address the issue of Aids and HIV testing. It was felt that a resolution on this should be drafted.

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8 January

Opening of Parliament -

8 March

21 March

1 May

31 May

1 June

16 June

ROPOS D S CTURE OR CO-ORDINATION IGN

The commission recommended that for the effective implementation of a Programme of Action we need coâ\200\224ordinating structures at a national, regional and branch level. A resolution on the formation of this structure has been submitted to the Resolutions Committee.