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THURSDAY APRIL 16, 1987. STAFF MEETING CONTINUES.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:

- + General impressions:
1. engagements are honoured but by the same people, mostly those working in the office. This sometimes interrupts the day to day functioning of the office and should be avoided as far as we possibly can.
 2. There are no reports - people just go out to speak and no one ever knows what happens at this or that engagement.
 3. Honoraria have also dropped.

It was agreed that all engagements are important in their own way - be it at universities, schools, workers organisations etc. However we should study the nature of the engagements. The following categories were recognised:

- a) agitation, e.g. rallies, demonstrations etc;
- b) policy, e.g. with government officials;
- c) professional etc;

It was felt that the level of participation should be taken into account and that it should be understood that certain engagements do, of necessity require the participation of the Chief Rep.

The meeting also agreed that all our members should take an interest and be involved for their own development and the development of the movement in general.

The R.P.C. should be approached to look into:

- a) the availability, competence etc of cdes out side the office, and,
- b) time available throughout the year.

+ Responsibility: Cdes Neo, Solly, Jeanette and Mweli should be responsible for assigning. They should also make sure that invitations are in writing and that tickets are sent to avoid problems related to reimbursement.

+ Reports: Cde Chief Rep to draft form for reports. A file of reports should also be opened and they should be reviewed periodically. Verbal reports should be given at staff and other meetings.

HOUSING: ("4G")

~~Cdes reported~~

Cdes reported that they were being kicked out of the apartment for reasons of overcrowding which also affects the cde's work rather badly.

It was agreed that while it is the responsibility of the RPC to see to the housing of cdes, the working in the office should be given priority and that the office should ensure their proper housing.

The meeting was informed that the T.G. at HQ has indicated that funds will be made available for the buying of property.

Cde Mweli was assigned the task of looking ~~around~~ round for property and that recommendations be made to the regional treasurer.

OFFICE CAR:

The meeting was informed that the office car was ultimately available and was in the care of cde Lee. The car was released to fetch SECHABA from the airport and on the way there cdes Themba and Mveli met an accident.

+ Report by cde Themba:

Cde Victor had arranged with cde Pule (Lee) for the release ~~xx~~ of the keys. There was a truck in front of the car which cde Themba wanted to avoid but because of the pouring rain, the car skidded and hit an embankment.

It was decided that cde Themba submit a written report.

~~XXXX~~ ~~XX~~ ROLE & DESCRIPTIONS:

Cde Chief Rep to look into the amttet.

OTHER MATTERS:

Cde Themba reported that the USA has embarked on a programme to bring South African refugees from Botswana into the US. There is presently a group in Seattle which is on a campaign of slander against the ANC.

The meeting decided that more information about the programme should be sought.

We should also alert our academics that participation in the different discussions e.g. the "think tanks" working on the "future constitution of post apartheid SA" should seek clearance from HQ.; e.g. D.B.

Cde Jeanette complained that someone had reported to ~~x~~ her that she was discussed at the meeting of the Regional Treasury Secretariat in connection with money from the sale of T-shirts. Cde Chief Rep ruled that the matter be discussed when members of the Secretariat were all present.

The meeting was closed at 12.55hrs.