

## African National Congress (sa)

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Comrade T T Nkobi Treasurer-General African National Congress (SA) P O Box 31791 Lusaka

Dear Comrade TG,

I have just received some minutes from SOMAFCO on discussions that were held between the delegation of Secour Populaire and the ANC and feel very disappointed, even depressed at the turn of events. After all the negotiations that we have had here in Paris, these minutes make it quite clear that besides the supply of drugs, we do not need any other medical assistance - definitely not doctors.

At our meeting in Mazimbu in April of this year and later at our National Conference it was pointed out that our medical facilities were lacking and there was an outcry for doctors. Decisions were taken that we should find doctors. However, that decision seems to have fallen along the wayside. Why do we have meetings and why do we take decisions?

The other matter which disturbs me is the composition of this delegation that met with the French delegation. There was no member of the National Executive Committee, Chief Representative or somebody from the Directorate present. Why?

Comrade, this delegation has long returned from SOMAFCO and has not contacted me. The reason being that they are disgusted with us, especially with me. I don't suppose that they can understand why there is such a wide gape between discussions that we have had here in Paris and discussions which took place in Mazimbu. As a matter of fact we are contradicting ourselves.

This delegation was very carefully picked. Originally two doctors and one engineer were going to Mazimbu but one doctor had eventually to pull out because of our fumbling. She could get leave from work at the stage that the delegation left. Also, the other point that I must make and that is that Cde Hintso was well briefed on this whole issue. Now we refuse all assistance in the field of doctors and medical engineers to set up our hospital properly. We only want drugs but did a whole delegation have to waste its money, time and energy to go to Africa to find that out! Comrade, what does one do now?

I sincerely hope that I shall be able to sort out matters with this organisation. I also think that I shall request that Secour Populaire suspends all activities with the ANC until I know what our needs are as far as doctors as concerned. If /of they go ahead and send us all kinds/other things they are going to have less money to use on sending a team of doctors to SOMAFCO.

I enclose copies of the minutes and a letter from Comrade Tikly

I hope that you are keeping well.

Amandla in the Year of the Cadre !!!!

DULCIE SEPTEMBER

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Dear Comrade Dulcie,

re: ecour Populaire Francaise.

Gisele Bosquet and Dr Thierry Gombeaud of Secour Populaire arrived here on October the 27th, 1985 and will leave today.

They have had a look at Mazimbu and at the Development Centre, Dakawa. In my discussion with them they raised a number of points:

. a) Material support sent so far.

b) Type of future support required, whether material or personnel or both. They expressed willingness to repeat the goods donated this year - tents, blankets, sleeping bags, drugs, etc.

c) The possibility of sending some prefabricated buildings. I have

referred this to Comrade Dennis, the Project Manager.

d) Support for families of those imprisoned or killed by the regime. I referred them to you and briefed them about IDAF.

e) The possibility of an art exhibition of SOMAFCO and other ANC items

in Paris.

f) They said that money could be transferred directly to the ANC for certain projects.

A copy of Comrade Marius Schoon's notes on their meeting between members of the Health Team and Comrade Marius Schoon, the administrative officer, is attached.

Regarding the goods sent in August by Secour Populaire, the Treasury is not able to confirm when the goods will be cleared. We'll send you photos and an acknowledgement.

In the year of the cadre.

M. Tikly.

## Notes on a meeting with Secours Populaire on 28/10/1985

Present: Dr. Thierry Gonbeaud, Ginele Bosquet. (Secours Populaire) Comrade Ellen Maseko, Tax Mosala, Marius Schoon. (ANC).

- 1. SP's financila resources make it unlikely that they can supply both a medical team and drugs.
  - Cde Ellen Maseko indicated that drugs should be given priority. Consideration can be given to a medical team later.
- 2. SP gives us an undertaking in principal to start supplying drugs on the A,B, and C lists by the end of the year.
- 3. Dr. Thierry Conbeaud indicated that he hopes he will be able to clear the drugs from the port more rapidly that the goods sent by SP in July which have still not been cleared.
- 4. We are requested to acknowledge receiving drugs as soon as they arrive.
- 5. Dr. Gonbeaud indicates concern at the hospital not yet being fully functional. He asks if we would like assistance from a team of technicians to get material installed and to give training in its use.
- . It was pointed out that the building has only been completed in the very recent past and is thus not yet being fully utilised.

Cde Ellen Maseko ststes that she will respond to the offer of technicians later.

Dr. Gonbeaud indicates that if we do ask for technicians, there will be less money for drugs.

6. Cde Tax enquired about the possibility of SP supplying textbooks.

It was indicated that we might be better off approaching a donor in an English speaking coutnry. SP will do what it can.

7. Cde Tax asked about the possibility of scholarships.

SP cannot participate directly in a scholarship programme. They suggest we should approach the French embassy or the UNHCR.

8. In case of any emergency, we could telex SP for material assistance; drugs can be despatched in 24 hours through Air France.

Marius Schoon. 29.10.1985