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The National General Secretary,

From: M.T. Seyisi E/Cape L/G Head.

Dear Comrade,

re: BRIEF REPORT ON TLC NOMINEES TENSIONS BETWEEN SANCO
AND ANC STRUCTURES

SANCO E/Cape Region R.O.Bs met on 24. 7. 94. Perused the above matter. Response is

A. Local Government Ministry at National Level

E.Cape A.G.M. 08-07-94 adopted the National conference position about the issue.

Central government have to be approached for a L/G National Ministry.

B. Local Government Elections

- 1) Noting that TLCs are not yet in place in our region
- 2) Premier's power were delegated on the 15-07-94. Proclamation received on the 21-07-94.
- 3) We therefore propose that that process take a year as from now onwards. Elections be held in October 1995 after the following steps/phases
 - 3.1 Voter education on the system 40% vis 60% and 30% etc.
 - 3.2 Voter rolls be created
 - 3.3 Delimitation/demarcation of areas/wards with the inputs of the local TLCs and local communities
 - 3.4 Campaigning of candidates etc.

Local/Regional tensions between SANCO-ANC structures on TLCs Nominations etc:
Tension is very serious specially after the 27 April elections.
Region reported/experienced tensions

1 Former Great Karoo

- (1) De Aar
- (2) Colesburg: Very deep tension between SANCO and ANC. Can't even agree on nominations. This tension has been visible for years.
ANC and SANCO E/Cape R.E.C. have in this town tried to resolve this.

2. Tsitsikama sub-region

- 2.1. Kareedouw: SANCO local chairperson was literally beaten in a non-statutory nominations caucus (see press extract).

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1.1 Uitenhage: A general ill feeling about the nominations. Community structures not well informed in this process. People want some nominees names be withdrawn. ANC council want to inflate the agreed number of seats from 18 - 25 e.g. 18 x 18 to 25 x 25 = 50 extra 14 councillors.

Written a letter to the statutory block. Failed to meet the non-statutory block re this double making.

1.3. Despatch:

Agreed number of seats 7 x 7 = 14 inflated by the ANC against feeling of SANCO structures to 10 x 10, = 20

Double-up : ANC claim 85% ANC nominees etc.

Little-Karoo: Sub-region

1.1. Graff-Reinet: SANCO forum chairperson - Local/sub-region chairperson was forced to resign in the whole process.

17 non-statutory nominees not a single one from SANCO. Serious tension.

1.2. Klipplaat : ANC-SACP leaders made SANCO redundant. After SANCO regional intervention on L/G disputes.

1.3. Steytlerville : Tensions about the process and SANCO led issue.

Albany - sub-region

1.1. Alicedale - Tension on the interpretation of the process etc SANCO led issue.

1.2. Port Alfred - Tension on the process and SANCO led national position etc.

1.3. Grahamstown: Tension on nominees quota etc. SANCO led position

1.4. Marselle: Tension on SANCO led national position.

Midlands - sub-region -

1. 1. Pearston - tension on nominees and SANCO led position

1. 2. Somerset East - Serious tension on SANCO led delegation etc.

1. 3. Eopkhouse : Tension on SANCO led delegation etc.

1. 4. Bedford : Tension on SANCO led delegation etc.

1. 5. Hofmeyr: Tension between SANCO - ANC.

Port Elizabeth :

1.1. P.E. SANCO General Council withdrew SANCO comrades in the nomination process. SANCO had a problem with the double up position. SANCO P. and region wanted the number to be 60 for political and economical reasons.

1. 2. On the whole 80 non-statutory delegates only 3 are from SANCO.

1. 3. SANCO not approached for service increment etc

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1. 4 SANCO P.E and region not invited at the TLC chairperson induction ceremony which was held on the 22-23 July.

General: ANC Regional Executive comrade going around the region saying there is nothing like a SANCO led L/G delegation after having agreed on this in Oct.93 Tripartite/SANCO Regional meeting.

Using ECDEF's workshop.

Progress:

On the 12 July, a Provincial L/G Co-ordinating meeting was held in East London - Border SANCO Offices.

E/Cape delegates were tasked to reorganise E/Cape L/G Housing and Development Coordination structure.

On the 21st July a meeting was coordinated by SANCO, ANC-SACP attended. An E/Cape Committee will be formalised on the 26th July at P.E. SANCO offices to formalise E/Cape input in the next Provincial L/G, Housing and Development meeting.

We will prepare Tripartite/SANCO Provincial input in the planned provincial L/G summit.

Comrade please find E/Cape last forums implementation process position:
Transkei : Nothing is going on in setting up of forum.

Only about 15 towns had already established forum with no follow up of the process e.g. no discussion on Forum area, number of seats, etc.

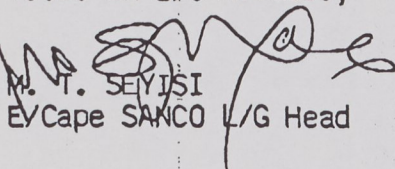
About 13 towns nothing has been reported about them those include Umtata and Butterworth.

Ciskei: Nothing has been done in the former Ciskei town e.g. Peddle, Alice, Debeneck, Middledrift etc.

Today at 16h00 we are having a meeting with the Border L/G Coordination Committee, discussing a joint coordinating structure with the provincial administration.,

Thank you.

Yours in L/G Affairs,


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