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The National Chairman, Comrade Deputy Secretary-General, Comrades all. This is the first meeting of the Central Committee in the new era which we coomenced when we launched Inkatha as- a^200^24 the Inkatha

Freedom Party) on_theâ\200\22414th ofthis month. It will serve a very -important-purpose | believe)if we_pause now)to _take stock)andâ\200\230toxlookfat our circunstances

with Party-political eyes.

Political- Parties - in_ democracies $\hat{a}\200\224$ exist to win elections. In elections it is the people who vote. Ipso facto political Parties are primarily concerned

with winning support_from people - individuals/ not

categories)or./groups. This should be. a constant awareness of _the Inkatha Freedom Party.

The Constitution Coomission which we-called for at our last Central Committee meeting haswalready lniB and is $a^200^24at worka^200^24attempting$ to define the constitutional $a^200^24-issuesa^200^24$ which will_relate- people to their Inkatha Freedom Party, give them aa^200^24 and

give the Inkatha Freedom Party a role>in $\tilde{\ }$ the -lives of the people.

There must be this reciprocity in an election-winning political $\hat{a}\200\224$ Party. The- Party needs people and the people need_ the -Party. We cannot have a Party

meaningful _to-the Party. \mid believe that Mr. David Kingsley made a-valid observation when he saidâ\200\224 that we should perhaps have found the time to do more in

preparationijor_the Annual_General -Conference - and that more _should -have sent- \hat{a} 200\224the people\\hane)\mith specific things to do)for their new Party.

| believe that we as old campaigners must stop here

and _take note. We know how _to mobilise! We have after all mobilised the _largest black political constituency ever seen across the length and breadth of Africa. We know how to-organise. We have had

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magnificent successes at our Conferences, whether they were Youth Conferences, Women $\hat{a}\200\231s$ Conferences or

General Conferences. We have also been successful in organising mass rallies and marches. Inkatha has been a peopleâ\200\231s organisation but \mid believe that we should not look b%& \ddot{u} \201 and count our strengths and

successes, bug\count our weaknesses.

One of the weaknesses of which | think we should take serious note is that of not_being able to employ our members in the service-of-theirParty. It-is no use Inkatha Freedom Party leaders sitting back, and saying

that there is more than enough to_doffofmanybodg, who

wants $3200\224$ to_do it. The art of Party politics $200\224$ collections organisational $200\224$ level is_the art of making sure $200\224$ that people both have something to dg) and that $200\224$ it in fact gets done.

| believe that unless we face that fact a great many of Inkatha Freedom Party members feel remote and

isolated - we will _shed members in the cold blast of politics like some great tree shedding leaves in autumn. We must also face the fact that- - lack of contact with nenbers)has cost us_support-and- money. There has _been $a\200\224$ insufficient emphasis - on- people $200\231$ s

:ft \hat{a} 200\2301he regional-and branch levels.

One of the things which | now request the Constitution Commission to do is to ensure that mandatory comunication takes place between branch and region, between region and head office and in fact between branch and head office. Consul tative

politics

mechanisms must be nade nai \201aatory. There must be report-backs by leaders down $200\224$ the - line, from the President, from the National Chairman, from whatever dignitaries there $200\224$ will-be in the new $200\224$ constitution, from head office down through regions $200\224$ branches $200\224$ and to members.

 $/\hat{a}\200\231I\hat{a}\200\230here$ should be some kind of _index of-vitality at the

level - of $a\200\224$ report-backs_by_ Inkatha $a\200\224$ Freedom Party leaders _to_the people. Looking at South Africa at large _|I $a\200\224$ would say there must be at least_something like 30 $a\200\224$ regional $a\200\224$ offices_manned _and -mandated to

supervise the working of the Inkatha Freedom Partyâ\200\231s structures. The small man, the ordinary peasant; the ordinary_labourer, the- \hat{a} \200\224mother,Z and_ the_women or whoever, nustyfeel/wanted) by hls> or _her Party, however remote>thaL_person'is.

There will be a great legacy of harsh austerity in politics after we have succeeded in curbing the hideous excess of the political-violence that there now 1is. There will be a-harsh idiom_ \hat{a} 200\224-.in \hat{a} 200\224politics which Inkatha \hat{a} 200\224 \hat{a} 200\224Freedom -Party \hat{a} 200\224must \hat{a} 200\224counter by developing a concerned, caring image.

One of our great assets as a Party is that we . _really do put the good of the State before the good of Party politics . and we really do put_the value of the individual very high on_our priority-list. We do not intend winning -elections $200\224$ by employing $200\224$ regimented ideology. We want to win elections because_ people have enthusiasm for-our-plans, our-objectives and our policies.

We must have a constitution which achieves this kind of political Party.

| say this because | see dark days ahead; | see deepening conflict ahead, and when finally there is democracy .and there is $\[\] \] \] 201\[\] \] \] \]$ will be those who are organisationally most practised in consultation and in working within the mandates that people give them who will win elections.

Another aspects of Party politics should $200\2241$ believe be

- given a great deal _of attention. It Is the-aspect of

conflict-solving _in Inkatha-Freedom Party. We all know that we have had conflictâ\200\224whichâ\200\224has defied solution _in â\200\224some-of_our_regions. They have been

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energy-sapping conflicts.

Normal lyâ\200\224internatâ\200\224conflicts which areâ\200\224soluble are intensely valuable—to a politicalorganisation. They provide members with forced situationsâ\200\224in which—they have â\200\224to—â\200\224make—decisions. Leaders have __to â\200\224solicit support _and _supportersâ\200\224haveâ\200\224to _choose _leaders. Properly_handled, conflict—is not necessarily bad. It can in fact be used to establish the whoâ\200\231s who of local _district, regional, provincial and national structures. Solved problems leave firm Ileaders behind it. Solved problems strengthen a Party.

We perhaps need to pay particular attention to the question of problem-solving because-Inkatha Freedom Party will have to grow_in strength, in a situation of flux $a\200\224$ or change $200\224$ in $200\224$ which there are bound to be differences of $200\224$ opinion, and at times $200\224$ very $200\224$ severe differences of opinion, lin the Party_about what is best to do.

| believe that it is true that in the old inkatha we did actually not have problem-solving mechanisms.

The fact that we only had a "Disciplinary Committee" | think substantiates the point | am making.

Conflict 1is not always a matter of $a\200\224$ discipline. By the time $a\200\224$ disciplinary action $a\200\224$ has been taken, conflicts have already gone too fqp and the situation is already probably lost.

It may be worth_looking at ways -and means of establishing supervisory $a\200\224$ roles $a\200\224$ at $a\200\224$ Provincial, Regional and District levels _in $a\200\224$ which -effective leadership is monitored so -that we know the who $a\200\231$ s who among those on whom we can rely.

We must face our problem-solving approach $200\224$ in-Inkatha Freedom Party in a context $200\224$ in_which __ essential continuity will have to be safeguarded) in-the face of a new -incoming -membership which will-be $200\224$ racially mixed_and which could have far-reaching - _implications

in terms of bringing new blood, new ways , and_new idioms.

/ \mbox{i} $\mbox{\ensuremath{\mbox{\sc Nir}}}$ anmentioning these aspects of constitutionalism to all members of the Central Coommittee because | believe that every member of the Central Committee must start thinking about

these

things. You, Mr. Chairman, will-be chairingof the ConstitutionComission. You-and your Commission will give detailed attention to what you are doing. While you do that_-hard work, $\hat{a}200224\hat{a}2002241$, see~112ÅS my role to get members of the Central Conmittee thinking about the things on which they will have to pass - judgements when vyou present vyour report_to members of the

Central Coomittee for adoption.and final presentation to the General Conference.) \mid believe that each

Central Committee meeting between now and then | would be well advised to discuss one or another aspect of Inkatha Freedom Partyâ\200\231s constitution so

that all our thinking may be sharpened and we may be better prepared for making final decisions.

/; f \tilde{A} Ogrklng back from an Inkatha Freedom Party Conference

on December 7 - 9. We must \mid think aim at being able to circulate a draft constitution all branches fo study and discussion by the end of the first week in November 3at $a\geq 00\geq 224$ the latest. I believe that during November regional leaders should supervise district and branch activity) in which the new constitution is studied. November should be a month of $a\geq 00\geq 224$ workshops,

seminars.and discussions.

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This means that the Constitution Commission should report back to Central Committee $\hat{a}\200\224$ with a draft

proposal by its October meeting. Between now and then we will have two conferences to organise and we will also have to take wide ranging-action in moving

towards the conference table and negotiation table in and establishing the kind of cross-cutting | inks between Inkatha Freedom Party and other Parties and organisations which we will need to strengthen our hand at the negotiation table.

This means that the Central Coomittee members will be hard put to do everything-that has to be done.

I must yet _again -point_out the urgent- $\hat{a}\200\224$ need for members of the Central Coomittee to actually get $\hat{a}\200\224$ on with on-the-ground constituency work/ in_their $\hat{a}\200\224$ own districts. There is always something-you-can do for people that people want to. There is always some method of harnessing people power-in the solution of people problems. Let Inkatha Freedom Party become known as a Party that cares and a Party that mobilises to strengthen the people $\hat{a}\200\231s$ hand.

% will vyet confound critics and observers_ by the extent to which the new Inkatha Freedom Party gathers strength.and develops momentum in_an onward march of mobilisation)and employment_of the people. We stand in the wunique position of being the South African political Party most _in-tune with-the most potent social, economic and political forces atâ\200\224work in society.

There are some things which will just not be achieved in South Africa and there are some things which will just not be able to be donesln South Africa. There

will not be a victory through the $a\200\224$ armed $a\200\224$ struggle. There may be -destruction, there may be-an escalation of _violence, _but there will be no victors. There never are victors when scorched earth policy meets scorched earth policy.

There will be no military victory>and there will be no one-Party government in this country. An attempt to establish a one-Party State will be met with awesome resistance. It would trigger off a violent white right-wing backlash which will unleash a

holocaust not even dreamt of in Mocambique and Angola.

/(omrades, you really must hear me when \mid say that the things that are .implementable are $a\200\224$ practicable, and could work are the things that Inkatha Freedom /Party stands for. Inkatha Freedom Party stands $a\200\224$ for a

multi-Party democracy. A multi-Party democracy could

work. - Inkatha _Freedom Party. stands for_ race reconciliation. That is what institutionalised South Africa is now moving towards. Inkatha Freedom Party stands for a thriving economy based on free

enterprise principles. That is what history is urging us to establish.

nstitutionalised South Africa - and | am talking about institutionalised South Africa across all race groups - endorses what Inkatha Freedom Party aims to achieve. 'The more relevant other political Parties become, the more they will look like Inkatha Freedom Party. @ The whole of politics is gravitating down to positions which we occupy.

This means strategically we can spend our time consol idating what we are now doing and gain

tremendous advantages over those who-resist what we are doing. In practical terms this_means Inkatha Freedom Party must work hard at further developing cross-constituency ties which are-already there. We must work hard at looking at the kind of blue-prints produced _in__ the Buthelezi^ Coomissionâ\200\224and â\200\224 the KwaZulu/Natalâ\200\224Indaba and find a mix-of-forcesâ\200\224which

will make Inkatha_Freedom Partyâ\200\224and the- KwaZulu Government relevant to the process of-establishing a

 $\label{eq:multi-Party} \mbox{ democracy and liberating the economy from}$

State control.

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The ANC will yet pay a heavy price for-attempting to destroy whihind 201t//re/aLllyiholds the essence a 200 224 of a 200 224th newly emerging in 201ulti-Party democratic_South 200 224 Africa. The armed struggle .is-a 200 224 an armed struggle 200 224 against the ideals which will _eventually 200 224 be a 200 224 implemented as practical-policy. The ANC 200 231s now built-in tendency to

only play $a\200\224$ winner-takes-all- $a\200\224$ political $a\200\224$ games $a\200\224$ will alienate it _from the mass will\that will now _.ever-

increasingly endorse the politics of negotiation $a\200\224$ and the compromises which Dr. Mandela talks $a\200\224$ about but which the ANC in practice, neg}tes.

Inkatha Freedom Party is not traamelledâ\200\224with— side issues and battles within-battles. We do not have to struggle against a revolutionary army-â\200\224threatening to become the tail that wags the -ANC dog. The arrest of four insurgents sent by Lusaka to assassinate Inkatha Central Committee members and the subsequent $a\200\224$ arrest of over 40 people involved in infiltrating soldiers, arms and aamunition into South Africa belieSjwhat Dr.

Mandela is saying personally.

This does not make $\mbox{Dr.}$ Mandela full of duplicity and a liar. It just simply shows that as \mbox{Deputy}

President of the ANC, Dr. Mandela is justâ\200\224notâ\200\224 in charge of his own organisation. He has said that the infiltrators were activists _that-the ANC had-not yet had the opportunity to inform-about the February-â\200\224 2nd speech and the ANCâ\200\231s subsequent unbanning.

This sounds plausible to-naive eari¬\2011but<we know that the real story is one in which the ANCâ\200\224is â\200\224actually taking advantage of talks-about-peaceâ\200\224to -prepare for war. |If it was simply a matter of the ANC leadership being so ineffective that it has not yet been able to contact its armed cadres, one could ask questions

about the extent to which the ANC__ leaders__ are actually in control. It is now many months since Mr. F.W. de Klerkâ\200\231s February 2nd speechiand $\[\]$ 201 $\[\]$ 200\224is-nnnths since Dr. Mandela and his colleaguesâ\200\224signed the Groote Schuur Minute.

//] am afraid, Comrades, that it igzgare thagzjhe lack $\,$

of organisational control. Mr. Mac Maharaj who has been arrested with the rest of the insurgents $a\200\224I$.am talking about is actually a member $a\200\224of$ $a\200\224the$ ANC $a\200\231s$ National Executive. The ANC $a\200\231s$ National Executive itself actually sent the four insurgents to

assassinate |Inkathaâ|200|231s Central a|200|224Committee a|200|224 members. These hard facts militate aggl?st any-soft-talk-which Dr. Mandela would have us_believe.

The going is going to get-tough - a lot tougher than most of us_-think. It is going to be toughest of all

for those who are attempting to do<&hefinpo \hat{A} \$21ble - mount an armed struggle .and sieze powe[}to \hat{a} \200\224 establish a one-Party situation in South Africa. They will

succeed least of all.

message to members of the Central Committee is that Inkatha Freedom Party has to stick_to_its $\hat{a}\200\224guns$

and it will be all-right. It has to mobilise forces in harmony $200\224$ history; it has $200\224$ to $200\224$ with institutionalised South Africa_to help a $200\224$ truly $200\224$ South African result) to, energe) from the situation $200\224$ of $200\224$ flux and changes which we are now in.

Our emphasis $a\200\224$ should be-one-of-efficiency. We are doing the $a\200\224$ right thing; we are pursuing the right course of action; we have the right objective if and we

are using the right tactics and strategies. I do

not, however, believe that mm; are, eff; fientvenough in
all these things that we_are doing-right.

It is in this regard that \mid am so lookingâ\200\224to the Action Group for Democracy to make-a difference. The Action Group for Democracy now more than Ã@ver faces a vital interfacing responsibility in marrying â\200\224Inkatha Freedom Partyâ\200\231s resilience _and inner strengtg)to the opportunities that will make it aâ\200\224-truly-South African organisation. ¢

 $\hat{a}\200\230/4/\$ (would today | ike members of the Central Committee to endorsea $\200\224a$ proposal +am making-for ~the Action

R R Group for Democracy to establish a -nationalâ\200\224 head officeâ\200\224inâ\200\224Durban_which â\200\224-stepâ\200\224 by â\200\224step_willâ\200 \224 add

efficiency $a\200\224$ to-function after function) untllefhere is a final natural-transition of $a\200\224$ the $a\200\224$ Action Group $a\200\231$ s headquarters becoming _the new_headquarters $a\200\224$ of the Inkatha Freedom Party.

//G; need expertise; we need efficiency and the Action Group for Democracy should service Inkatha $a\200\224$ Freedom Party $a\200\231$ s needs by developing the efficiency $a\200\224$ that— is needed and by Iimporting whatever_ $a\200\224$ expertise $a\200\224$ is Iacking..> :

In the months to ou mark_my words, $\hat{a}\200\224$ it will be of critical importance for Inkatha Freedom Party to

have an efficient coounication mechanism \hat{a} 200\224with its

grass-root $a\200\224$ members. Whatever $a\200\224$ inkatha-was doing has been badly disrupted with the degree of violence $a\200\224$ and confrontation $a\200\224$ that has made_so many-of our $a\200\224$ branches disfunctional.

We urgently need to $a\200\224$ put $a\200\224$ our $a\200\224$ whole $a\200\224$ membership management on a very sound footing. We need to know where __our __members $a\200\224$ are. We need to address

communications $a\200\224$ to them. We need-to-seek $a\200\224$ financial support from-them. Very $a\200\224$ importantly, $a\200\224$ we need the kind of comunicating channels which enable $a\200\224$ us $a\200\224$ to present our mass membership with policy issues which will confront us in the politics $a\200\224$ of-negotiation. We will need to seek nandates/JronlourvnenberfD and the public around-them.

Inkatha Freedom Partyâ\200\231s membership lists must be put under $a\200\224$ top-level _management. This will take a substantial amount of work and involve substantial expenditure. While Inkatha Freedom Party as Inkatha

Freedom Party is-working at/ $a\200\230$ restructuring/itself, looking at $a\200\224$ its constitution, $a\200\224$ establishing $a\200\224$ the necessary $a\200\224$ cross-cultural $a\200\224$ and $a\200\224$ cross-constituency contact points, and areas of co-operation, the Action Group for Democracy can be getting on with $a\200\224$ tackling the practical_question of solving $a\200\224$ Tnkatha-Freedom

Partyâ\200\231s membership management problems.

| believe that it is very correctâ\200\224to _say â\200\224thatâ\200\224 over the years the old Inkatha lost millions â\200\224of - rand because we grew too rapidly and our organisational structures could not keep pace with the ever-growing

flood_of \hat{a}^200^24 new members. The task is now \hat{a}^200^24 mammoth

that \mid believe solutions will have to beâ\200\224found- in main-frame computer -answers.

We need greatly expanded and-technologically improved communication \hat{a}^200^24- and administration management \hat{a}^200^24+ een Head Office and these \hat{a}^200^24+ egional- offices. Regional office bearers_need to be trained-and-the work- of

regional officers $3200\224$ needs $200\224$ to $200\224$ be -supervised. The establishment of these offices, their manning and the training requirements of the personnel $200\224$ involved must be tackled as a matter of $200\224$ urgency. By the time

Inkatha Freedom Party is given its new constitution at $\hat{a}\200\224$ the beginning of December and all the $\hat{a}\200\224\hat{a}\200\224$ structural systems are ready to be used, we need _to have clearcut plans of action and we need to have the expertise to do what has to be done. The Action Group $\hat{a}\200\224$ for Democracy, . $\hat{a}\200\224\hat{a}\200\224$ supported by _the $\hat{a}\200\224$ Inkatha TInstitute wherever the Action Group deems $\hat{a}\200\224$ it necessary, $\hat{a}\200\224$ should again _| _say $\hat{a}\200\224$ attend to practicalissues $\hat{a}\200\224$ while $\hat{a}\200\224$ the majority of the members of the Central Coomittee get

on with the job of looking at $politiciD.and_policy$ issues.

We do, | believe, need to bring inâ\200\224consultants-and we do | _believe need to embark on â\200\224multi-million â\200\224+rand programmes __if __we are to compete â\200\224with â\200\224 other organisations]â\200\234mo -have many millions. The â\200\224Action Group for Democracy should-develop the â\200\224fund-raising function we need and_should accumulate the practical expertise we need.

There is a sense in which Inkatha was very advisedly general in_ $\hat{a}\200\224$ its political theory. We had no- fine print $\hat{a}\200\224$ ideological-positions. We had no dogmas and we did not insist on the kind of political schooling of

our members which is always $200\ 224 \ found-in$ -revolutionary and military-organisations.

We were free therefore to be practical-and a^200^24 to a^200^24 move with history and to adapt to_changing circumstances. We will, however, a^200^24 if we do not take the necessary

action pay prices for_our past advantages. We are

now entering a very intensified struggle- $\hat{a}\200\224$ for $\hat{a}\200\224$ hearts and minds.and we will be facing the-need to be $\hat{a}\200\224$ very clear to the population at, Jargejabout what we stand for .and why we seek $\hat{a}\200\224$ support $\hat{a}\200\224$ for $\hat{a}\200\224$ pursuing the objeCtives we pursue.

We need a set of Inkatha Freedom Party documents which are authorative $200\224$ and which can $200\224$ be $200\224$ for teach-ins, workshops $200\224$ and $200\224$ seminars $200\224$ in $200\224$ the dissemination our_philosophy. All our members should know exactly what our Party stands for in all - the $200\224$ spheres of Party political conflict. $200\224$

We need one clear document which:

- rejects the armed struggle
- points out the dangers of nationalisation
- $\mbox{-}$ puts the land issue and the re-distribution of land in perspective

clearly_- states our â\200\224position â\200\224political violence

states our position on the need for- $\hat{a}\200\224$ compromise solutions

says what we are aiming to establish in a multi-

Party democracy in the protection of individual

rights, in the protection oflninorlty,groups and the question of _freedom of< $i^2\202.spee a\202\29_a\200\230$ and association, and the freedom of -the press, in the rule of Ilaw and above all else on the

question of the equality of all_-before the $\mbox{a}\mbox{\ensuremath{200}\mbox{\ensuremath{224}law}}$ and the constitution

spellså\200\224out-â\200\224strategic_thinking_about â\200\224eontinued involvement _in /chal)and â\200\224regional â\200\224tevels of first and â\200\224second â\200\224tier â\200\224government, the representation _of Blacks_ as â\200\224the under - privileged, about the fact that we will for some

considerable $\200\224$ time struggle with bad schools and inadequately $200\224$ trained teachers, and about the question of housing $200\230$ and health $200\224$ and welfare generally

spells out our thinking on an-enterprise-driven economy $a\200\224$ in _which -the State $a\200\231$ s -direction $a\200\224$ of economic affairs $a\200\224$ is really minimal.

| am rattling off_points_and-|1 am notâ\200\224pretending to be all-inclusive. | an just saying that there is a need for $\hat{a}\200\224$ the developmentâ\200\224of- $\hat{a}\200\224$ a - $\hat{a}\200\224$ very \hat{c} clear-cut

statement of what Inkatha Freedom Party stands $200\224$ for. Any confusion about what we stand for will make $200\224$ our members vulnerable in take-over bids $200\224$ by -the ANC, $200\224$ the

UDF and COSATU.

Oddly enough, now that we have opened membership to categories of people who are in fact-as a groupâ\200\224more literate â\200\224and-educated, the need for-this-document | am talking about takes on_additional-significance.

I think it is absolutely true_to say that $200\224$ the $200\224$ more educated you are, the greater $200\224$ the -blunders are that

you can make in politics. Loeok howâ\200\224â\200\224educated Afrikanerdom became _and â\200\224how their political blundering increased with their education. Look at

the vast amount of political hocus-pocus that emerges

from South Africaâ\200\231s â\200\224â\200\224 White â\200\224 English-speaking universities.

When | stand before television crews and-before even senior $a\200\224$ reporters, | am -asked $aa\200\224$ wide range of amazingly uninformed questions. A lot of my woes $200\224$ and the past woes of Inkatha are traceable toe $200\224$ uninformed Whi te and/

Inkatha Freedom Party must be marketed and it must be educated opinion.

marketed actively.

While we attend to all this kind of detail and gear

ourselves up to be intensely practical , $\hat{a}200\224$ we have to contend with- $\hat{a}200\224$ base politics which-is $\hat{a}200\224$ emerging $\hat{a}200\224$ from what the ANC, $\hat{a}200\224$ the UDF-and COSATU are -actually-doing. While | always emphasise that Inkatha Freedom Party $\hat{a}200\231$ s medium and longer term prospects-are very promising, there are certainly short-term problems _which. will have to be faced if medium and long-term gains- $\hat{a}200\224$ are going $\hat{a}200\224$ to be made.

We have to face the reality that the ANC is making propaganda gains-that negotiations-after all will be

bi-polar in South Africa. Any talks between Dr. Mandela and Mr. de Klerk are given $\hat{a}200\224$ the $\hat{a}200\224$ highest possible media attention. Each meeting $\hat{a}200\224$ is -made $\hat{a}200\224$ out to be $\hat{a}200\224$ an -historically $\hat{a}200\224$ important $\hat{a}200\224$ make-or-break meeting. The ANC talks, postures and prances $\hat{a}200\224$ as the only contesting_ferce amongst $\hat{a}200\224$ those $\hat{a}200\224$ who $\hat{a}200\224$ oppose Government.

While what the ANC now is doing will incur medium and

longerâ\200\224term disadvantages,- what it is now doing a\200\224is

making short-term gains. We must be a lot more proactive in our own politics so that when the $ANCa^200^231s$

problems start coming home to roostQand_Lhey find for example that the _idiom of peace presents its- own leadership problems, and they find $a\200\224$ that $a\200\224$ fraternal relationships with UDF, COSATU and others become more problematic $a\200\224$ as_the _ANC does $a\200\224$ more $a\200\224$ and more $a\200\224$ to establish itself $a\200\224$ as_ $a\200\224$ a South African based organisation, we carry_ on the initiatives $a\200\224$ we $a\200\224$ now start _and emerge as a political Party going places.

We need _now to do aa\200\224tot more than_we are a\200\224doinga\200\224 to mount _ joint programmes with _business a\200\224leaders, coomunity leaders a\200\224and church leaders. We need a

whole new vast Project Department which gives-rise to the political_ $\hat{a}\200\224$ and diplomatic deployment of- Inkatha Freedom Party members.

We need a whole new_Media Department $200\224$ which $200\224$ an properly manage the image projection work-of Inkatha Freedom Party. We need actual image campaigns which set wup -objectives which can be achieved $200\224$ in weeks, months or even years ahead. We need ongoing success-accumulating stra/tegies/ $200\224$ vin which we-build $200\224$ p -the gains made and turn them into real future victories.

Inkatha Freedom Party must in idiom notâ\200\224resort . to fire-fighting_tactics â\200\224and _strategiesâ\200\224because the short-term problems are so pressing. Inkatha Freedom Party must do a lot of strategic planning.

| have sometimes heard it said that Mr. F.W. de Klerk has a strategic plan which stretches well into the future_ and that he can outmanoeuver others because he

has a repetoire of surprise bold new moves $a\200\224$ up $a\200\224$ his sleeve) from which he can pull ouLadvantages) whenever he needs to do so.

While there is great danger_in looking at Mr. de Klerk as a super-natural Partyâ\200\2244eade() and-umile there is danger in looking at the National Party as having some incomprehensible store of-strategic advantages, we must recognise that - hundreds of $a\200\224$ people are actually $a\200\224$ working_to establish Mr. de Klerk $a\200\231$ s strategic advantages. There are substantial in-puts from government department from universities and think-tanks_around the country.

Inkatha Freedom Party has a lot to $200\230_i$ alk..abouzp to South Africans. We nugt lift up our Party $200\231$ s level of

dialogue to very high plains of achievement.

Comrades, take heart because however rough things now are, politics is ever-increasingly coming downâ\200\224to the management of practicalities. The closer we come to future_election events, the more practical weâ\200\224will have to be. We must begin now as a_â\200\224-re-launched Inkatha Freedaï¬\202 Party to develop practical advantages

we will then) n need.«

I want to conclude by offering this thoughtâ\200\224to you. The old Inkatha is something which instilled pride in all of us. It had very notable achievements. We

were proud to be part of it. We know thait-countless people _in_countless _situations triedâ\200\224toâ\200\224give _us advice. and tried to tell us what to-do and what not to do. We know that had we taken_their $a\200\224$ we would have become nothing.

What \mid want to say in conclusion is that _there _is possibly a danger in what can perhaps unkindly be called an Inkatha arrogance based onâ\200\224pastâ\200\224 Inkatha achievement. Inkatha neededâ\200\224to change__more__ than Inkatha members â\200\224thought_ _was _ necessary. The transition into a political Party was more vital than

people thought. The power from the past can only be employed in the future if we do not cling -to the structures of-the past. Be bold and innovative- in employing the power2 from theeâ\200\224past7'without,~being_adventurist.

It would be wrong of us only to seek the $a\200\224$ friendship and_the alliances of_the subgA0rvient. We need to

power our way into the futureQEy partnering—and being partnered by real -power.

Inkatha Freedom Party is not a $a\200\224$ eentral monolithic political _power-house. It is part of a newly

emerging South Africa and it will be shaped and reshaped by circunstances as they change. Open mindedness and flexibilty must be the _constant companions of our political-power.

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