

African National Congress

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Minutes of the RPC Meeting held on July 6, 1987

Present: S. Daniels, E. Domingo, J. Dube, A. Jeeva, S. Kotane,

K. Molefe and Y.Saloojee.

Apologies: P. Mahlangu

Agenda: 1. Minutes of May 11, 1987

2. Matters Arising from the minutes

- Correspondence
- 4. Parallel Conference
- 5. Francophone Conference
- 6. Visit by President O.R. Tambo
- 7. Black Education Trust Fund
- 8. General
- 1. Minutes of May 11 were read and adopted.
- 2. <u>Matters arising</u>: Neo: The political commissar had arranged a meeting with Neo, but the latter in line with previous actions, failed to attend. Letter to be written to Neo one more time inviting him to meet with the RPC. Response expected in 30 days, otherwise action will be taken against him.
- 3. <u>Correspondence</u>:Comrade Dan O' Meara's letter was formally discussed by the RPC. It was decided to send for Comrade Dan's paper and taped speech to clarify the matter re: position on sanctions issue.

A copy of the above-mentioned letter will be forwarded to Cde. Randeree with a follow-up on the issue.

Minutes (May 12/87) of the Vancouver unit were acknowledged. A question raised in the minutes was Cde. Kitty's participation in the upcoming 2nd ANC Women's Conference.

Response: as an elected member of the National Women's Secretariat, Cde. Kitty has been nominated to attend the Conference.

4. <u>Parallel Conference:</u> Chief Rep. has received a copy of a letter from Cde. Karenza addressed to the International Department re: Parallel Conference

and ANC participation. It was resolved to: -write to the International Dept. giving background information on the conference organization and the terms under which ANC is prepared to participate. Task to be undertaken by CR.

- write to units to reinforce ANC position (See extended RPC Minutes and covering letter to units)
- seek further clarification from conference organisers other than Karenza.
- 5. Francophone Conference: To be held in Quebec City on Sept. 2-4, 1987.

 NGO's are organising a seminar on Southern Africa.

 ANC invited to an event entitled Mandela '87 to be held in Montreal on 10th October. E vent co-organised by the City of Montreal and NGO's at which time a street will be named after Cmdes. Nelson and Winnie Mandela. An evening of culture will follow. "Leading figures" of the ANC on their way to the Commonwealth Conference in Vancouver are invited to
- 6. <u>Visit of the President</u>: The Prime Minister's Office has indicated that the Prime Minister will be available for a meeting on 16th or 17th September, 1987. Not clear whether the President will be here for 2 or 5 working days. We are proposing the latter.

attend the Montreal ceremonies as honorary quests of the City.

- 7. Black Education Trust Fund: Canadian Government has allocated funds for black education - \$2 million seed money. Originally the ANC had been invited to attend the conference, but the invitation was withdrawn for political reasons.
 - Trust Fund is to be established in September, 1987
 - there will be consultation with the NECC
 - scholarshipswill be available to South Africans in Neighbouring countries.
- 8. <u>General:</u> Cde. Randeree's telephone conversation with Sam (complained about late delivery of ANC material) brought before RPC. Conversation ruled unprocedural. Cde. Randeree should have talked with DIP. However, the latter will pursue the matter with Randeree.

Membership: new format will be brought before the next RPC meeting.
 applications lying in the office and not sent to HQ on time. We owe the individuals concerned an apology.

- get HQ to expedi₄te applications of Cdes. Alim and Gabier.

Office Committee: Duties and areas of responsibility delineated.

<u>Mail Collection</u>: contention about who collects mail. Originally agreed that Cde. Simon will collect mail. But CR later recanted arguing for his continued collection of mail as he has done for the past 15 years.

Office Staff's argument: Cr has more pressing matters to attend to. Therefore mail collection should not be his responsibility.

As senior functionary in the region his security is paramount.

Matter to be resolved on July 14, 1987. Meeting adjourned.