

INTRODUCTION

It has become incumbent and obligatory for the entire Youth Section of our Movement, including ofcourse its elected Leadership, to bring to fruition some of the resolutions of our most successful Consultative Conference of 1987. One of the resolutions emphasised the task of the Youth as being; a. contingent of our Movement that would readily repond to the pressing; demands of our country, our Movement and our people.

Events in our region are unfolding on a daily basis and our state of preparedness to meet the challenges should correlate with the changing situations. The Movement has bestowed upon the youth the righful and most enviable name of 'the shocktroops of our revolution 'I'his, to others, might sound rhetorical, but developments in our townships, towns, cities, rural areas, factories and every conceivable dwellings qualify the youth to be inheritors of this glorious name. On the otherbzmnd, Apartheid terror attacks and disrespect for territorial soveignty of neighbotming states should of necessity put us on a. permanent alert both politically and in terms of labour: for our freedom. The National Youth Committee met and underlined the task to develop Dakawa into a. relatively safe place for our children and families. It is the task for all of us, from individual cadres, small collectives or committees to sections and departments of our movement. The National Youth Committee elected to be trailblazors in this venture and the first priority Would be to form brigades. '

FORMATION OF BRIGADES

Tho brigades or permanent teams of volunteers for ptu'poseful labour are phenomenal in progressive Countries and organisations fighting for freedom. Our country is no exception. To our unlerstandihg, brigades are politically _ e notivatcd working groups labom-ing for a. good. cause. In our comitry we 2.1

oonsituted them in the townships to build parks and named. them after our poli-tical leaders, activivts and trade unionists; to barimde our streets in an attempt to transform our urban centres into no-Ago areas; to clean our tozvrm ships in defiance of the state of emergency and lack of basic amenities. To harness the energies of the hundreds of youth: who daily retreat from sheet battles and other experiences, the NYC is croating builders brimdes to build and model Dakawa into a. South mica we dream of - a, peaceful and safe haven for our people.

Structggo o: a brigggm e

Ihch brigade shall comprise at least twenly (20) comrades including a brigade committee. -

The Brigade Camit'tee shall comprise:

- ' - A political instructor
- A brigade foreman
- A welfare officer
- Health officer
- 'Itransport and technical officer

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We envisage at least five brigades for a. start. The National Ybuiii Cormittec and Youth Section commit themselves to building at least om-villago as a mingment to our people, born of a positive attitude 'to labour. It is our hope that 1:110 commmity and other structures of our movement shall Emil or render to us awry little assistant He would request for this memGntal taks.

Functions of m-iLsdes

All brigades are both a labour and political collectives of Dakawa and are answerable to the National Youth Secretariat and other relevant regional 'sti-c uotures.

Allbrigpdos members automatically become members of What would be called ho mea Brigade Eovomcnt.

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The National Youth Secretariat undertakes toztake charge of the following responsibilities in Dakmraz-

- to provide the needs for the entire Youth Section in various fields such as education, the media, culture etc.

- to create self-ohelp/roliancce projects that would serve as the bases for further training of the youth in any field of production in every human endeavour.

- to alleviate the detrimental effects the Apnrthcid system had inlicted on our people; it therefore becomes imperative to utilise areas of leisure by availing such facilities.

- to emmga the youth in food-production and self-sxiificiency projects.

- to strengthen the Pioneer Movement in Dakavm and. Hazinbu and inculcate in our children a. sense of oolonginp; and cultural identity.

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Poultry Fanning

Plans are already Lmdcrvmy between the N13 and the Projects Dezartnont of tho TGO to fascilitato the transfer and toanicaagroper partitions for mgamont of the poultry farm to tho yough. Will identify comrades to mxdertako tailored c surges in this discipline.

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Poultry-farming Would be a. gnte-my tmmrd venturing into other food-producing programmes in the agz'iuultwal sector. As of now the Projects desks of the MS and the TGO are processing about fifty (5) gplplerships on agriculture; The courses range from agricultmal administration, equipment maintenance to animal husbandry. Sb: comrades lmve this year left for Australia for a ono-year course in various fields ; griculturo. it is foreseen that upon completion of their studies the c r es would 7 serve the role of resource personnel in projects of Dakawa. g t

Educati on

'The NYS intends establishing, a. Youth Resource Centre (YRC) iia Dakaiia. for comrades to acquire the following skills:-

- Librarianship
- Computer skills
- Administration skills
- Accountancy, bookfkoeping; etc.

The YRC would work in close concert with the mltural Centre of the Department of Arts and Culture and tho Vocational mining Centre, The YRC is projected to become tho ocntro-pioce of all youth educational activities. He have contacted youth groups in Canmla and Europe for funding. They have in principle accepted the task of raising; funds and providing) for tho centrei. Ue intend visiting; Cmmda and Japan later this year to concretiso the project.

A support group in the United States, in co-ordination with he Education Department, would in the near future set-up a Central Computer System in Mazimbu. T310 Central Computer System of tho I-i'lokintosh or Apple make, is two-pronged:

- to offer administrative training for our commits; and 3" 4
- to a. large extent, to modernise the administration of our govemont.

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(5.) Attached to tho Yrc woulcl be a-multi-purposo hall or structure whose function would be to provide the following:-

- fitness centre for physicalytraining;
- indoor was 0.5. table tonhie, chess, oto.
- visual and performing arts?- o.(;. VCIL's and monitors, slide machines, ball-room dancing , etc.

(1:) Pioneer Palace

To accommodate pioneer activity, it becomes important to construct a pioneer palace. But this should be viewed as a long-term project for pioneers, presently administered by the Youth Section. An organisation the FRG called Torres Dos Hommes, whose main work is to render financial and material assistance to children ravaged by War, has in principle agreed to assist towards the construction of a Pioneer Palace.

In the meantime, the multi-purpose centre would cater for the following children's playing facilities:-

- Fantasy juke-boxes
- Drawing equipment
- Children's indoor games
- Sporting activities
- Musical instruments, etc.

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The National Youth Secretariat have requested and have been promised emergency equipment for housing such as:-

- tents
- house-hold utensils, sleeping bags, strollers, etc.

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