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28 January 1999 Cde Obed Bapela Provincial Secretary ANC Gauteng

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Dear Cde Obed

PROVINCIAL SEMINARS ON RELIGION AND POLITICS

in NATIONAL TRANSFORMATION

Most South Africans from the President down have some form of spiritual awareness or religious aililiation. It is therefore proposed to hold one day Seminars on this subject in every province on the following dates:

13 February 20 February 27 February 6 March

KwaZulu Natal Western Cape Eastern Cape Gauteng

North West Northern Cape Mpumalanga

Northern Province Free State

I regret that due to the heavy demand on personnel for events being planned in the run up to the Election period we shall have to stick to these dates.

The Seminars will be facilitated by personnel from the AN C Commission for Religious Alfairs (CRA) jointly with the Department of Political Education. Facilitators will be provided from the CRA and the DPE, who hope to be able to work side by side with suitable activists who you will be able to identify from the Province.

Funding has been secured for the venue and catering. It is proposed that the Seminars be held for approx. 100 people, 50 from ANC branches, and 50 from local religious communities.

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An outline of the proposed programme will be sent to you shortly, but the main focus will be on the two booklets and video which have already been sent to you. 'Ethical Transformation': the oficial AN C response to the 'Moral Summit' held by the President in October 1998. 'Faith and Politics in Society' - the booklet and video of the CRA Workshop. The Seminars will also provide opportunities for people to raise questions in the held of religion and politics.

- I write to request your assistance in organising the following:
- 1. Arranging a suitable venue, and the precise times. It is envisaged that there will be morning and afternoon sessions.
- 2. Catering.
- 3. Sending out invitations to key people in the ANC branches, and to a wide spread of the local faith communities. Draits of letters which you may care to adapt for use with your own branches and religious communities will reach you shortly from the CRA and DPE.

I shall be very gratelhl if your structures can provide the strongest support to these initiatives into a crucial sector of our people.

Yours comradely

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Suggestions from the Province about the themes, methods, or problems to be included in the Seminars will be welcome. Please contact the following comrades direct: Cedric Mayson Spongy Moodley

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