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ATTENTION ; LINDI/SIPHO
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FROM : GOVAN MBEKI
Dear Lindi/Sipho

We are very much behind schedule. It appears to me that if we are going to be through with this project by December 1993 we must draw a drastic plan to . achieve that end, or we would have to set ourselves a date in 1994.

I am anxious that we keep our target of December 1993, but because of the amount of work that requires to be done it is clear that we must work to a schedule. I would like that by the end of June next we should have finished researching and the writing of the chapters up to the Huntington Model. From July we should be dealing with the more complex area of the 1980's.

I therefore wish to make the following suggestions for your and your teams' . consideration:

1. The team should have completed the research on education by the 15-04-93. I should have the summary not later than 21-04-93

I would thus suggest that:

- 1.1 That the Co-ordinating fellow phone or fax Mr. Wyclif Tsotsi in ' Maseru and Mr. R. Ncanca, ldutywa, both of them are attorneys to find out how much of the archives of the Cape African Teachers Association they have, and especially for the decade of 1950 - 1 960.

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1.2 Either you divide your team into two with one researching in the Border-Ciskei Area as well as the Department of Education at Fort Hare and the other in the Port Elizabeth Area - or the full team tackles one area at a time.

1.3 The Senior Coordinator should cover Johannesburg either alone or with one of the junior fellows

By the third week of April the entire team should research the 1973 Durban workers strike and who organised them. The reading material for this would be:

Sipho Pityana's Thesis, Marian Roux's Thesis, the report of the Reickert commission and the report of the Weihaan Commission. They should also investigate the impact which the strike has on government thinking and policy. A summary of research should reach me by the 21 May 1993.

It seems to me that the Fellowship should have a Secretary who will do the Secretarial work for the Senior Coordinator and the junior fellows. I would like to suggest the name of Thembeke Orie for this purpose.

As a matter of urgency the Fellowship should be provided with transport. Towards this end I would like to suggest that you allow me to enter into negotiations with Volkswagen to buy at a reduced price either a Jetta or a Citi Golf (please indicate your preference between the two). I would estimate an amount of R25 000.00 to R30 000.00 for a Jetta and much less for a Citi golf.

In addition to the Zwelitsha tapes there are two other tapes done in London with Mkhuseleli Jack and Sipho has them. Could you please get the transcript of those as soon as possible. Further I gave a batch of transcripts to Professor Makalima. These will include much of the happenings of the period 1984 to 1986, but portions of it should deal with the events of 1976 please read these in your research on the chapter on education.

I have completed writing the first chapter which I dictated to my Assistant -Bukelwa. It is in her hand writing and has to be put through the computer. Please advise when you are ready to have it transcribed and how we should send it to you.

I would be happy to hear your views on the matters raised above before the end of the week, as well as I would like to know what you are doing as at present.
Best wishes

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