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**ANC, AZAPO AND PAC PRESS STATEMENT OF THE
JOINT MEETING OF THEIR WORKING COMMITTEES
25 SEPTEMBER, 1991**

1. The Joint Working Committees of the three organisations - the ANC, PAC and Azapo - involved in preparing for and convening the Patriotic Front Conference, met in Johannesburg on 25 September, 1991.
2. The meeting agreed upon a joint working document for submission to the Executives of the three organisations for ratification.
3. The joint working committees identified the premise that the three organisations agreed upon for the holding of the Patriotic Front Conference, namely that:
 - * the immediate task of the broad liberation movement in the current phase is the transfer of political power to the people;
 - * there are possibilities for such a transfer of power to take place through negotiations, which implies some form of contact with the regime;
 - * the only legitimate forum for the creation of a new constitution is a Constituent Assembly, elected on the basis of one person, one vote on a common voters' roll; and
 - * the formation of a broad patriotic front constitutes a crucial element in empowering the broad liberation movement for these tasks.
4. There was consensus regarding the agenda of the Patriotic Front Conference, which would include:
 - * The All-Party Congress/Pre-Constituent Assembly Conference, which would cover
 - modalities for transition
 - Agenda for this conference, which would include:
 - a) Interim Government/Transitional Authority
 - b) Modalities for constituting the Constituent Assembly
 - c) Principles which would underpin a future constitution for South Africa
5. Common agreement was reached on the need for "independent" facilitators as a mechanism for convening the APC/Pre-CA Conference, as well as with regard to the venue, funding and infrastructure for such a conference.
6. Agreement was also reached on a minimum common approach regarding an Interim Government/Transitional Authority.