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PAC SUBMISSION TO THEME COMMITTEE 1 ON BLOCK 2 AND 3

- 2.1 The South African constitution like that of the United States of America should in its preamble enshrine the reality and truism of the equality of all human beings in general but should entrench that equality in the body of the constitution in respect of the nationals of the South African State.
- 2.2 The constitution should not couch the equality of South African Nationals in impalpable terms that allow the possibility of various jurisprudential interpretations. Neither should the constitution give way to intellectual contests on the nation of the equality of all South African nationals. The constitution must succinctly define and spell out what is meant by the equality of all South African nationals.
- 2.3 PAC believes and prays that the constitution should be designed to facilitate the fast but not forced transition from political emancipation to economic emancipation where social justice shall be founded in the ruins of a social stratification based on institutionalised economic advantage and disadvantage. PAC firmly believes that it is only when individual members of the nation enjoy equal access to all national resources that South Africa will be truly free and foundation for peace and security is attained.
- 3.1 South Africa should be a single sovereign state with provincial and local governments that derive their power from a central government.

- 3.2 PAC feels a dire need for galvanising all the presently, culturally heterogeneous people of South Africa into a single whole, not by means of force of whatever nature but through allowing the now freed people to freely and equally interact in the united economy that South Africa happens to have. Taking ethnicity, race or territorial ethnicity into account in the practice of politics and economics in South Africa, is anathema to PAC and cannot be countenanced because that is bending backwards in favour of divisive and retrogressive tendencies of those who still represent in our society the vestiges of racialism and racism. PAC strongly believes that the logic of South African history which is even attested to by the national aspirations and ideals of the south African liberation movement, is leading towards the realisation of a homogeneous nation via the evolutionary path. PAC is, thus, loath to any constitutional attempts aimed at obstructing the existing evolutionary movement towards a de-ethnicised and de-racialised nation.
- 3.3 The mainly ethnically demarcated provincial governments such as we have today in South Africa are worrying to PAC as they perpetuate ethnic identity and affinity. The emergence of scourges such as the policies of ethnic cleansing find fertile ground for germination in such political arrangements.
- 3.4 From its inception, PAC is politically committed to the propagation and promotion of a politically joined commonwealth through the establishment of a federation of Southern Africa. South Africa needs to join that federation as a unitary state inhabiting a united people.
- 4.1 PAC believes that a constitution written by democratically elected persons with the interested members of the nation freely contributing in the formulation of the same, has to be the supreme law and all political decisions and actions must therein find their legitimacy and justification.
- 4.2 All law, statutory or otherwise and all ordinances, political policies and commands must of necessity conform to the provisions of the constitution to be of legal force
- 4.3 In the constitution must vest the sovereignty of the nation.

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