

# **NATIONAL PARTY (NP)**

20 March 1996

Here follows the National Party submission pertaining to the “Preamble”

## **PREAMBLE**

In humble submission to Almighty God,  
We, the people of South Africa, declare that -

WHEREAS we wish to create an order in which all South Africans will be entitled to a common South African citizenship in a sovereign and democratic constitutional state based on justice and equality so that everybody shall be able to enjoy and exercise their fundamental rights

AND WHEREAS we pursue national unity and harmony amidst the recognition of the diversity of our society and we wish to create an order in which everybody can participate and in which common values and loyalties can be extended and promoted on the basis of the freedom and responsibility of every human being.

AND WHEREAS we wish to create an efficient and people friendly system of government and to build South Africa into a land in which everybody may dwell safely , peacefully and prosperously;

AND WHEREAS we wish to restructure and advance our society so that poverty can be eradicated, everybody share equitably in our prosperity and can realise their potential through initiative, diligence and competitiveness;

NOW THEREFORE the following provisions are adopted as the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa