CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY

SPECIALISED STRUCTURES OF GOVERNMENT

MINUTES OF THE 11TH MEETING OF THE CORE GROUP

MONDAY 31 JULY 1995

PRESENT

De Beer S (Chairperson)

Chiole J Davies R Du Toit DC Hogan B Jordaan JA Kgositsile B Schreiner J Vadi I

Absent:

P Powell

In attendance: S Nyoka, P Fahrenfort, K McKenzie

1. Opening and welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 11h05 and welcomed the members. Mr de Beer apologised for not being able to attend the Core Group meeting held on 3 April 1995. He also tendered an apology on behalf of Dr F Jacobs who was not going to be able to attend today's meeting.

2. Adoption of minutes

The minutes of the Core Group meeting held on 3 April 1995 were adopted.

3. "Crisis" in Theme Committee 6.2

It was agreed that since the "crisis" in TC6.2 around the issue of the South African Reserve Bank involved Dr R Davies (ANC) and Dr F Jacobsz (NP), the former (the latter was not in attendance) excuse himself from the meeting.

Ms Hogan gave background information to the Core Group members on the causes of the crises in TC6.2. At the core of Ms Hogan's submission was an assertion that the ANC component of TC feels very strong, following a spate of attacks on Dr Davies integrity in the press and Dr Jacobsz statements in the National Assembly Finance budget debate, that Dr Davies' role as Chairperson of TC6.2 is being continually undermined.

Following a discussion, it was felt in the interest of the constitution making process, that it would be appropriate for endeavours to be made to find an amicable solution to TC6.2's problems. It was also recognised that the problems in TC6.2 might have arisen due to a breakdown in communication amongst the members of the TC.

It was therefore resolved that:

- a) Core Group members, namely S de Beer, JA Jordaan and B Kgositsile be delegated to meet with Drs Jacobsz and Davies later today;
- b) an amicable solution be found to the TC's problems in order for the work of TC6.2 to continue;
- c) the delegated members should convey the results of their meeting with Drs Davies and Jacobsz to TC6.2 members at a meeting of TC6.2 scheduled for 1 August 1995 at 09h00; and
- the possibility of issuing a press statement on the outcome of the meeting between the Core Group delegation and Drs Davies and Jacobsz should be explored.

4. Subtheme Committees' Progress Reports

- 4.1 <u>Subtheme Committee 6.1</u>
 - 4.1.1 Public Administration

It was noted that this report was out of the hands of the Subtheme Committee and now in the hands of the subtheme committee of the CC

4.1.2 Election Commission

It was noted that TC6.1 was meeting on 1 August in order to finalise the draft text

- 4.2 <u>Subtheme Committee 6.2</u>
 - 4.2.1 Reserve Bank

To be discussed at a subtheme committee level prior to

submission to the CC

4.2.2 Auditor General

To be tabled at the CC on Friday 4 August 1995

4.2.3 FFC and the National Revenue Fund

Work plans for these matters to be discussed on Tuesday 1 August 1995

4.3 Subtheme Committee 6.3

4.3.1 The Public Protector

It was noted that TC6.3 was on its last block of work

4.3.2 The Human Rights Commission

The draft text report to be tabled at the CC on Friday 4 August 1995

4.3.3 National Machinery for Women

The draft text is at present with the CA Law advisors

4.3.4 Land Restitution

A workshop is scheduled for 1 and 2 August 1195

4.4 <u>Subtheme Committee 6.4</u>

4.4.1 Accountability and Control, Police, Defence, Intelligence

It was noted that the committee will be finalising the draft constitutional text on all areas of its work for discussion in the Constitutional Committee of 4 August 1995 or 11 August 1995.

There being no further business the meeting ended at 12h15.

CHAIRPERSON

DATE