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Dear Comrade

Although Black women have always been involved in the South African economy as farm labourers, domestic workers or in the "invisible" position as caretakers of the breadwinner through seeing that he is comfortable by cooking his food, cleaning his clothes, etc., and through ensuring that there is a constant cheap labour force through raising the children; now, more than ever before, Black women are becoming an integral part of industrialised economy by being active as workers in various industries. This of necessity gives rise to the question of women becoming organised workers in the labour field, a question that has been neglected over the past decade.

It is because of the above that IAWUSA has decided to hold a National Seminar on the question of Black Women and Trade Unions. This seminar is to be held over the weekend of the 7th to 9th September, 1984, at the VITAL LINK CHRISTIAN CENTRE in Port Elizabeth. Please find attached hereto a copy of the proposed Agenda for the said seminar.

Your organisation is therefore invited to send two (2) delegates to this seminar. However, the seminar will be open to observers as well. Should you intend sending delegates to the seminar, please inform us at a date not later than the 12th August, 1984 so that arrangements can be made for accommodation, etc.

Those delegates who require accommodation are requested to pay R 5.00 to help cover costs. Observers in a similar position will be required to do the same.

We hope to hear from you as soon as is possible.

Yours in the struggle for independent worker organisations

J. RAKGOADI  
GENERAL SECRETARY



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## WOMEN'S SEMINAR - EASTERN CAPE

8th & 9th SEPTEMBER 1984

### PROPOSED AGENDA

#### FRIDAY, 7th SEPTEMBER:

- 6.00p.m. - ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION
- 8.00p.m. - SUPPER
- 9.00p.m. - OPENING ADDRESS: REV. J. SEOKA (PRESIDENT-IAWUSA)
- 10 p.m. - LATE NIGHT MOVIE
- 11 p.m. - END OF SESSION

#### SATURDAY, 8th SEPTEMBER:

- 8.00a.m. - BREAKFAST
- 8.54a.m. - 1ST PAPER: WOMEN & THE S.A! ECONOMY: ASHA MOODLEY
- 9.00a.m. - GROUP DISCUSSION
- 10.15a.m.- TEA
- 10.30a.m.- PLENARY SESSION
- 12.30p.m.- LUNCH
- 1.45p.m. - 2ND PAPER: WOMEN & TRADE UNIONS: MANOKO NCHWE
- 2.45p.m. - GROUP DISCUSSION
- 2.30p.m. - TEA
- 3.45p.m. - PLENARY SESSION
- 6.00p.m. - SUPPER
- 7.00p.m. - 3RD PAPER: WOMEN & THE POLITICAL STRUGGLE:-  
ZEIBOEN PATEL
- 7.45p.m. - GROUP DISCUSSION
- 8.45p.m. - PLENARY SESSION
- 9.45p.m. - SUMMARY OF THE DAY
- 10.00p.m.- SOCIAL GATHERING
- 11.30p.m.- END OF DAY

SUNDAY, 9th SEPTEMBER:

- 8.00a.m. - BREAKFAST
- 9.00a.m. - EVALUATION
- 11.00a.m.- FUTURE STRATEGIES
- 12.00p.m.- LUNCH
- 2.00p.m.-- NATIONAL ANTHEM, CLOSURE & DEPARTURE

NOTE: After each paper has been delivered, a time period of fifteen (15) minutes will be allocated for questions directed at the speaker.

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