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c/o. S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
26th February, 1953.

Mrs. B. Marais,
790 Government Avenue,
ARCADIA. Pretoria.

Dear Mrs. Marais,

Thank you for your letter of 22nd January. I very much regret to tell you that we have no bursaries available with which we could assist the girl you mention. Our bursaries are for Africans only; those for 1953 have already been allocated; and further, we are in future working through three missions only: the field is so very vast that we have had to limit our activities.

I am afraid I know of no bursaries for which the girl could apply, and can only suggest that she might take a job and do her studies at night-classes. A number of these classes have been established in Pretoria - Miss E. Ernst, telephone 2-5517 (Pretoria) would put you in touch with them.

I am so sorry that we cannot help.

Yours sincerely,

M
Muriel Horrell (Miss)
SECRETARY.

MH

22nd Jan '53
790 Government Ave
Arcadia
Pretoria.

The Secretary
S. A. Institute
of Race Relations

Dear Madam,

I am interested in a young coloured girl who is anxious to take up nursing. I have been informed that you have a Bursary with which to assist these girls - her ^{mother's} grand-mother is my cook who has been providing for her for some years as neither of her parents are interested in her welfare, due to economic conditions she can not return to school & has only passed her V Standard - due to her mother's neglect of her she has been dragged about & consequently missed many years of schooling. I realise she will have to

return to school for at least
3 years to complete her VIII
Standard, you will probably
want to know from her
teachers whether she is capable
of doing this work so kindly
communicate with the "Good
Shepherd Mission, 140 Blvd. Front
Portia. The girl's name is
Christian Isaac. 15 years of
age. She is not a pupil
at the moment as she informs
me she was unable to pay
for the last term.

Trusting I am not giving you
a lot of trouble, & thanking
you in anticipation.

Yrs faithfully
(Mrs) B. Marais

Mr. D. file

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Mrs. N.M. Greshoff,
c/o. The S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
18 Orange Street,
CAPE.TOWN.

12th March, 1953.

Dear Mrs. Greshoff,

Thank you for your note about the information which you require about the Coloured people in other parts of the country besides the Cape. I am afraid we are not going to be able to give you much as we have done so very little in this connection. I have asked Mr. Hight to send you the Journal for which you asked; unfortunately we have only three copies left, of which we have sent you two. I have asked our librarian to prepare a list of the material which she has in the library and I will send you whatever I consider will be useful.

You probably have a copy of Dr. I.D. du Plessis' first report, but in case you have not, I am sending you ours on loan (under separate cover).

*Re: letter to Mrs. Greshoff on 16.3.53
FJW*

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

F.J. van Wyk,
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

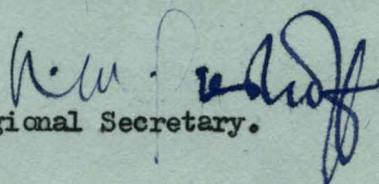
To: Director,
SAIRR
Johannesburg.

11 MAR 1953

From: Regional Secretary,
S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
P.O. Box 1998,
CAPE TOWN.

10th March, 1953.

The attached paragraph from the last Regional Committee meeting minutes gives the background to an invitation to the Chairman to attend a preliminary meeting of the Non-European Affairs Committee of the Cape Town Junior Chamber of Commerce (responsible for drafting the report for the local Chamber) yesterday. Arising from this meeting, we find we need information about conditions relating to Coloured people in other parts of the country besides the Cape; will you let us have any information you may have in the form of reports, memoranda etc. Could you also let us have, as soon as possible, about 20 copies of the 1942 issue of Race Relations dealing with Coloured affairs? We would like to have them here for the next meeting, to be held early next week, and will be ordering a further supply of relevant publications shortly.


for Regional Secretary.

Messrs. Beinart, Hoal and Molteno were appointed with the Chairman to prepare a draft memorandum.

9. FORMULATION OF NATIVE POLICY BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

The Chairman referred to a letter addressed to the Cape Town Chamber of Commerce in consequence of a press statement that the Chamber was in the course of formulating its views on Native policy and offering the assistance of the Institute. To this a reply had been received expressing appreciation of the offer of co-operation. The letter intimated also that the local Chamber was concerning itself chiefly with the position of the Coloured people whereas other constituent Chambers would examine the African aspect. Assistance in regard to the Coloured situation would be welcome.

After general discussion it was felt that the committee might act as a useful liaison between the Coloured people and the Chamber. Rev. van Stavel was asked to make investigations and prepare a preliminary memorandum setting out the difficulties experienced by Non-Europeans in getting a footing in trades and industries. While it was not difficult to become tailors, masons, carpenters, painters, bricklayers, other trades appeared to be closed to them: these should be ascertained.

The following committee was appointed to go into the matter and later to discuss the matter with representatives of the Chamber: Messrs. Williamson, van Stavel, Amlay, Robertson and Wollheim. The Chairman was asked to ascertain the field covered by the intention 'to formulate a policy in regard to Non-European affairs in the Union'. When this was clarified it would be easier to assemble the required information.

10. LABOUR BUREAU.

A.D.J. Report

M. Abingde Kindly note that Dr. du Plessis
would like the information before 4th August
Dr. Sh. v. d. Horst & his Committee regarding material

M.O. file → c/c/1/1

2nd July, 1953.

The Commissioner for Coloured Affairs,
P.O. Box 3834,
CAPETOWN.

Dear Sir,

Matters Concerning Coloured Community

I write with reference to your letter K.10/1/4,
dated the 17th June, 1953, in which you ask this Institute
to provide a memorandum on our contact with, and experience
of the Coloured population and their problems. I am sure
my Executive Committee, which meets next week, will be only
too glad to give you all possible help. I shall write to
you further on this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Quintin Whyte
DIRECTOR

Dr. Sh. v. d. Horst
sent this memorandum
HW

QW/NB

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KAAPSTAD/CAPE TOWN.

D.I. 323.

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KAAPSTAD.



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No. K. 10/1/4.

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COMMISSIONER FOR COLOURED AFFAIRS,
P.O. Box 3834,
CAPE TOWN.

DEPARTEMENT VAN BINNELANDSE SAKKE
(Afdeling Kleurlingsake)
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
(Division of Coloured Affairs)
Leliestraat 4, /4 Lelie Street,
KAAPSTAD./CAPE TOWN.

23 JUN 1953

17th June, 1953.

F.W.
Executive Committee

The Secretary,
South African Institute of
Race Relations,
University of the Witwatersrand,
Milner Park,
JOHANNESBURG.

F.J.W for Q.W

Earlier letter requested
details SAIRA pub.
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Dear Sir,

Re: MATTERS CONCERNING COLOURED COMMUNITY.

This Division is at present engaged on collecting material with a view to formulating a departmental policy in respect of matters affecting the Coloured community, and I shall appreciate it to learn whether your Institute will be so kind as to furnish me with a memorandum giving an indication of your organisations contact with, and experience of the Coloured population as well as the problems arising therefrom. I would like to study such information and later on arrange a discussion with your association.

If at all possible and convenient to you, I shall be glad to receive the memorandum not later than the 4th August, 1953.

I sincerely trust that you will find it possible to furnish a memorandum as indicated, and in anticipation wish to assure you of my sincere appreciation of your kind co-operation.

Yours faithfully,

COMMISSIONER FOR COLOURED AFFAIRS.

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One only copy handed
to P.D. MacCrene at
Mrs. Heanle's request

27/8/53

The Regional Secretary,
S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
18, Orange Street,
CAPE TOWN.

26th August, 1953.

Dear Mrs. Greshoff,

Memorandum on Coloured People.

I reported on this matter at the G.P.C. meeting. Mr. Whyte, who is in Port Elizabeth at present, has not yet read the memorandum I have, and I think it is most useful.

G.P.C. asked that the Publications Committee should consider the memorandum with a view to its publication. Mr. Hecht will put it before this Committee as soon as we have received the additional copies for which we asked.

As you have seen from my letter about matters arising from the last Executive meeting, my request that copies be sent to Dr. du Plessis was because Executive had asked that this be done.

Yours sincerely,

F.J. van Wyk,
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

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24 AUG 1953

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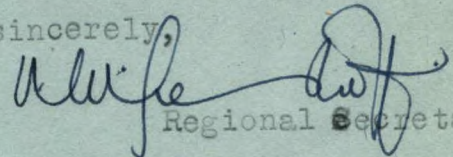
From: Regional Secretary,
S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
P.O. Box 1998,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Mr. van Wyk,

I am sorry I have not yet sent the two dozen copies of the memorandum on the Coloured People, for which you asked; we had already given the order for the number of copies we needed to be reneod, so I had to put in an additional order, and will post the 24 copies off to you as soon as we receive them: it looks a terribly bulky memo, 36 fullscap pages, so I hope we can cut it down some time.

Two copies have been sent to Dr. I. D. du Plessis as you asked should be done. I have not yet received the explanatory letter to which you referred in your telegram.

Yours sincerely,


Regional Secretary.

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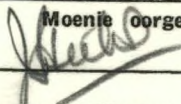
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17 AUG 1953

13th August, 1953.

Assistant Director,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mr. van Wyk,

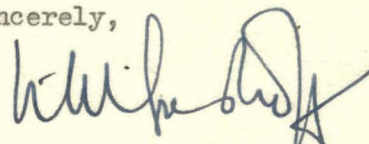
Enclosed is a copy of the memorandum on the Coloured people done in the first instance for the Chamber of Commerce (see ~~at~~ our Regional Committee Minutes 13 March, 1953).

We are now having it roneoed for use by our embryo study groups, so could send you more copies should you need them.

I once suggested to Mr. Hecht that ~~an~~ adaptation and expansion of this memorandum might make a useful publication. What do you think-?

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Van Wyk


REGIONAL SECRETARY.

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A RESIDENT'S COMMENTS - 10pt Broadway

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There is at present a Bill before Parliament authorising the transfer of control of Native (Bantu) education in the primary and secondary stages from the Provinces to the Union Department of Native Affairs. Three types of school are visualised: (a) Bantu Community Schools, subsidised by the government, (b) Government Bantu Schools, established and maintained by the government, and, (c) Native schools which may be approved by the Minister and given grants-in-aid. This third type, I take it, will be the denominational schools run by various missionary societies.

Provision is made in the regulations for prescribing courses of training or instruction in government Bantu schools and for examinations held by, or under the supervision of control of, the Native Affairs Department. Courses of instruction in the two other ~~systems~~ types of schools will naturally be subject to conditions of subsidy or grants-in-aid applied for from the government. In future no schools for Natives may be established or conducted unless they are registered by the Department of Native Affairs.

However much one may regret the removal of Native Education from the general education system of the country, it is consoling to realise that there must ~~be~~ ^{be} a tie-up with the general system of education, for higher education is not touched by this Bill and there must be provision made for students to be prepared for examinations giving entry to our universities and other higher educational institutions. A very close watch must be kept by all who are interested in improving the standard of education and skill of all ~~whom~~ the citizens of our country, for any changes introduced in the future.

Another Bill is announced which will authorise the government to remove the residents of Sophiatown, Martindale and Newclare, three freehold townships for Africans within the area of Johannesburg city, to Meadowlands, some ten miles from the centre of the city.

The Southern Transvaal Regional Committee of the Institute organised a most successful conference on this Western Areas Removal Scheme as it is called. This conference took place on Saturday, August 22nd, at the University of the Witwatersrand. Though this removal scheme is a local matter, the principles underlying it concern the whole country and I consider all members of this Institute will be interested to hear something about the conference.

Fifty-one different organisations accepted the invitation of the Institute to send representatives to discuss the plans of the government to remove some 57,000 Africans from freehold townships to an area where no such freehold would be given. Representatives of ~~Non-European organisations~~ ~~many~~ Non-European organisations, trade unions, church and welfare organisations ~~attended~~ of all kinds, attended, and It was a fine, responsible, assembly which decided, with all its weight, to attempt once more to ~~persuade~~ persuade the government to apply energetic slum clearance measures to the three townships, at a possible cost of something under three-quarters of a million pounds loss to the present owners, compared with a possible two-million pound loss on the Minister's present scheme. A slum clearance scheme would also save over three-quarters of a million pounds worth of property, which could remain in immediate use for Africans at a time when there is dire need of housing. Such a scheme would preserve the long-standing right of freehold property. The Africans are in sore need of security and some tangible sign that the white man's word can be trusted. It is no argument to state that

only a small proportion of the stands in these townships are owned by Africans in their own names. The government's seal has been stamped upon their documents of ownership. There is a deep sense of trust involved in the transactions, and no adequate reasons have been given for betraying this trust. It would be a very great relief, I could in a future letter tell members that reason has prevailed. if

Dr. A. W. Hoernlé Bold

PRESIDENT.

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30th November, 1953.

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Assistant Director,
Johannesburg.

Dear Mr. *Whyte*,

This afternoon I received the telegram from you, asking whether the Coloured Franchise Evidence may be released to the press. I immediately 'phoned the Secretary of the Commission (before whom the Institute was to appear in about twenty minutes' time); he agreed that summaries of evidence given had been appearing in the press, but said that he had not released the evidence, that in fact Commissioners had not liked the evidence being published now, as the idea had been to publish it in full ^{with} with the report, and he thought it would be better if evidence were not released.

Mr. Whyte was ~~here~~ ^{heard}, and said there was nothing much that could be done about it as the evidence had been released to the press all over the country and probably half the articles were in print already; we sent a copy of the evidence down to the Argus this morning, so it will probably be on the streets by now, and I do not quite see how we can withdraw it!

I sent the following telegram to you:

UBUNTU JOHANNESBURG Franchise Commission Secretary says Commissioners would prefer evidence not repeat not to be released but Director says too late to do anything about it. UBUNTU.

The evidence of so many other organisations has been reported that I do not think the Commission can take offence - at any rate we hope so.

Yours sincerely,

W. F. Grant Regional Secretary.

Thank you very much for your kind letter - W.F.G.

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Dr. Sheila van der Horst

27th October, 1953.

Dear Sheila,

I write with reference to the letter of the 13th October from Nany Greshoff to which you added a postscript. The Action Committee considered the question of the giving of evidence to the Coloured Vote Commission and Sir Herbert Stanley's draft memorandum. They agreed that a memorandum should be drawn up for presentation and that we should offer to give oral evidence.

In discussing the nature of the evidence it was suggested that we should have an introductory section on the general right to vote, that certain parts of Sir Herbert's memorandum should be modified and that we should prepare, as a third part, not only material from Thompson's pamphlet and from the Cape Coloured Commission of 1937 but also other material which Miss Horrell has been taking out on modifications on the common franchise and the experience of the communal franchise in other territories.

I have been given the job of making the additions suggested which will take some time and when it is ready I shall send you a copy together with the amendments made by the Action Committee.

So far we have not received the terms of reference of the Commission nor the dates of its sitting in Capetown. When we know about the latter I shall come down to Capetown to help to present the evidence if we are called upon to do so.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Quintin Whyte
Director

Mrs. N. Greshoff

27th October, 1953.

Dear Mrs. Greshoff,

Just a note to acknowledge your letter of the 13th October with the postscript by Dr. van der Horst. I have written to Sheila and she will, no doubt, let you know the position about the Cape Coloured Voting Commission.

Yours sincerely,

Quintin Whyte
Director

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27th October, 1953.

Professor H.M. Robertson,
Department of Economics,
University of Capetown,
Rondebosch,
CAPETOWN.

Dear Professor Robertson,

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of the 23rd October. I am very glad indeed to have received it and I am very grateful to you for having passed on the information. Actually, at an Action Committee meeting yesterday afternoon I was asked to draft evidence in addition to that prepared by Sir Herbert Stanley for the Commission, and to include in it the sort of information that was suggested by you so usefully. It will take some time to do this adequately for I feel we must not appear before the Commission unless we are fully equipped to meet confidently the questions that will be asked.

Your Regional Committee's sub-committee will, of course, see the evidence when I have completed it and can amend it as it sees fit. So far we have no dates for the sitting of the Commission so the date of my visit to Capetown is uncertain but I shall certainly come down and help.

With many thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Quintin Whyte
Director

QW/NB

c/c 1/1/12

11th November, 1953.

Professor I.D. MacCrone,
University of the Witwatersrand,
Milner Park,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Professor MacCrone,

Herewith the evidence to the Cape Coloured Commission, which has to be redrafted in the light of the Capetown Regional Committee's alterations, roneed, and in Pretoria by Monday, the 16th. I should be very glad if you could read it through very quickly and let me have your comments as soon as possible. I am sorry that this is such a rush but it could not be avoided.

Yours sincerely,

Quintin Whyte
Director

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The Regional Secretary,
The S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
106/108, Mutual Arcade,
Main Street,
PORT ELIZABETH.

9th December, 1953.

Dear Miss Pitman,

Evidence to Commission on Coloured Franchise.

I am sending you, under separate cover, six copies of our evidence to the above Commission. If you have not yet done so, I suggest that you should keep a file of all memoranda which you receive from Head Office, in numerical order, i.e. R.R.1/54, R.R.2/54, etc. If you find that you have copies missing, you could write to us for them. I also suggest that you keep an index to this file. We find it most useful up here.

Yours sincerely,

F. J. van Wyk.
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

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The Secretary,
S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
P.O. Box 97,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Madam,

We acknowledge with thanks receipt
of copy of Evidence presented to the Commission
to enquire into the subject matter of the Separate
Representation of Voters Act Validation and
Amendment Bill.

Yours faithfully,

George F. D. Palmer

G.F.D. Palmer,
Economist.

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