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UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS,

Pretoria, 23rd. April, 1924.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 3rd instant, I beg to inform you as follows in connection with the various matters raised by you.

1. (a) The policy of the Government in connection with the carrying of passes by native women is well known and every opportunity is taken to obtain relaxation of the present provisions of the law requiring them to produce passes on demand. The Native Registration and Protection Bill which was intended to replace the existing Pass Laws referred only to males, but as you are aware that measure was withdrawn after its introduction into Parliament.

(b) I am not aware to what you refer in this paragraph. There is no provision of law under which a native can be forced to go away from his home.

2. This Department receives quarterly from the Police, a return of cases of shooting of natives by Europeans, with the result of the Police enquiries. Some of these cases are accidental. Where there is doubt as to the circumstances of the shooting, the cases are brought by the Police before the Courts and the charges made, fully investigated. In cases where death results, the question as to whether an indictment shall be laid or not, rests with the Attorney General, with whose discretion this Department cannot, of course, interfere. The cases under sub-paragraphs 1 and 2 of paragraph 2, having occurred during the first quarter of the year, have not yet come to the notice of this Department, but enquiries are being made. In regard to the case of John Selaleli,

a communication .....

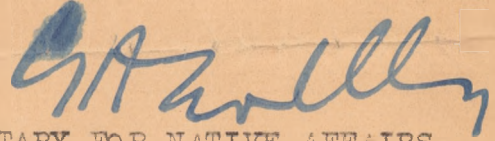
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communication has already been addressed to you. The matter has been submitted to the Attorney-General, but I am afraid, as the law now stands, it is not possible that the case should be tried except by jury, unless the Accused makes application for trial before a judge and assessors.

In regard to the Barolong Land Relief Bill it is regretted that the unexpected prorogation of Parliament should have prevented its passing into law.

I am,

Yours obediently,

  
SECRETARY FOR NATIVE AFFAIRS.

THE GENERAL SECRETARY,

C.F.S. NATIVE CONGRESS,

P.O. BOX 17,

THABA 'NCHU.

P.7/24.

S.A.P. 21.

South African  
Police.



Zuidafrikaanse  
Politie.

Office of the District Commandant.  
Kimberley, 21st October, 1924.

Sir,

Bechuanaland & Griqualand West African National  
Congress.

With reference to your letter of the  
20th instant, in the above connection, I beg to  
inform you that the Pass Laws have been suspended  
as requested.

Yours faithfully.

Sub Inspector.  
Atg District Commandant : 42 District.  
South African Police.

The President.  
Bechuanaland & Griqualand West  
African National Congress  
28 Shannon Street  
Kimberley.

P.O. Box 5788,

Johannesburg.

13th July 1925.

THE PRESIDENT

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Executive Committee and Extraordinary Session of the  
National Congress will be holden during the forthcoming  
Executive Committee on 1st, and Extraordinary on 3rd,  
in Bloemfontein in view of the most critical times we are  
due to recent legislation in Parliament on certain  
matters received from the Government Members of Executive and  
Members from all Provinces and Branches are expected to put ~~everything~~  
everything aside and attend all these important Sessions.

GOD BLESS AFRICA.

Z.R. Mahabane, President,

T.D. Mveli Skota, General Secretary.

**DE BEER & BARRETT.**ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW, NOTARIES,  
AND CONVEYANCERS.J. DE V. DE BEER.  
H. E. W. C. BARRETT.TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "PROPERTY."  
CODE: A. B. C. 5TH EDITION.*De Beer's Buildings.**246, Pretorius Street.**Pretoria, Transvaal.*

4th November 1925.

The General Secretary,  
The African National Congress,  
P. O. Box 5788,  
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

SUBJECT: MANDLESILO NKOSI

With reference to your letter of the 31st  
we beg to inform you that we are awaiting the  
reply of the Government to our petition and so soon as  
we hear we shall communicate with you again.

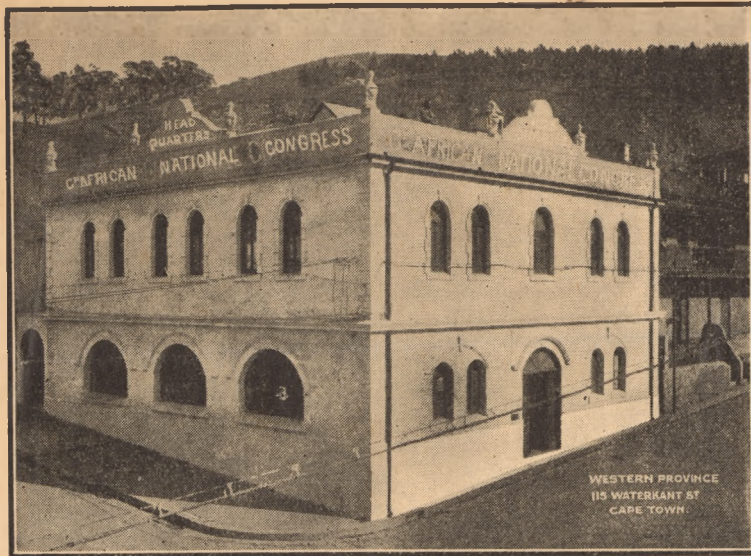
In the meantime, we cannot advise Mandlesilo  
Nkosi to proceed to the districts in question and we  
consider it as well to wait for the reply above mentioned.

Yours faithfully,

*De Beer Barrett*

JB/CM.

Strictly Confidential



WESTERN PROVINCE.  
HEAD OFFICE.

PHONE.....

Cape Town,  
115, Waterkant Street,

President - - - Prof. JAS. THAELE.  
Vice-President - - - ALF. COTO.

All correspondence to be addressed to the

Under Secretary—JOHNSON DLWATI.

3-5-1926

Mr. M. D. Skota  
Secretary General.  
African N. Congress.

Sir.

I here by endeavour to  
to write you these few lines in connection with the administration  
of the work here in the Western Province. We are here in a  
perfect dark mess. I thought when you came here and tried  
place matters on a different footing, some improvement  
could be reached but consequently none. I also thought  
you would come back and see that things stood  
but I see now that nobody is determined to  
up a remedy to this. I say we do not quite know  
we are. We are swindled round by a man that  
after attorneys every day and because most of us are  
stupid the organisation goes down to the gutter. The Annual  
report showed a balance of £292 but that is no where and because  
everything is done in a moonlight manner there are no steps taken

JMR/AB.



No. 7/326.

UNIE VAN SUIDAFRIKA.  
UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

DEPARTEMENT VAN NATURELLESAKE,  
DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS,  
P.O.Box 384, Pretoria.

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Sir,

With reference to your request for an interview with the Minister of Native Affairs by certain members of your organization, I have to inform you that the Minister will see the deputation on Friday the 6th instant at 2.30 p.m.

I am,

Yours obediently,

SECRETARY FOR NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The General Secretary,

African National Congress,

P.O.Box 4633,

Johannesburg.

59, Lyndhurst Road

Kimberly,

Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> 1929

Dear Mr. Skelton,

You will readily understand that I am anxious to know the resolutions arrived at at the recent Meeting of the Executive Committee of the A. N. C., more especially with regard to the attitude of Congress to new League of African Rights and kindred matters.

I was so sorry I had to leave before the completion of the business that was before the Committee. I am also desirous of knowing what the intentions are of the Executive in regard to the proposed Convention or Round Table Conference of Banker Leaders to be held at Bloemfontein on the 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. What do you think of the suitability or otherwise of the date of the gathering? Some suggest a day after the rising of the Non-European Conference of the 2<sup>nd</sup> January next.

I am,

Yours sincerely

J. Mahabane



Confidential +  
Personal

J. H. M. M. G. 7. 12. 30

Mr. M. D. Miveli Skota.

Box 31 - Jeppes.

Dear Skota.

The points which occur to me as needing comment are referred to in the order in which you have placed them in your memo, & I suggest your careful consideration of them.

The idea of bringing such an organization into being is a great one, & every right thinking white man must wish you success, but at the same time the greatest care must be taken to ensure it's being regarded as purely an organization for the Natives, & one in which no white man should play more than a purely friendly and sympathetic part.

No doubt you realize the necessity of 1<sup>st</sup> careful adjustment of the initial financial condition. 2<sup>nd</sup> The care that must be taken to emphasize that politics play no part in this movement. & 3<sup>rd</sup> To permit nothing to cause the authorities to regard you with suspicion or distrust.

I would therefore suggest that you place your "Objects," in something of the following order.

1. To ensure & foster the welfare of its members
2. Inculcate the principles of Charity, & fidelity towards each other.
3. To improve the Educational & National

There is the "business" side of this undertaking which has to be carefully considered & placed on a safe footing before you launch the scheme itself. The financial sea is always stormy & full of shoals, & it is a wise mariner who provides himself with a good chart, before and capable men to help him, before trusting his launching his precious ship on it.

I almost think it would be wise to have your "objects" roughly set out first & then get as many decent good natives to subscribe their names as joint guarantors to anyone to whom you may become indebted. You should also see whether you could get at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  the rooms in the building you propose renting, applied for in writing.

Before doing this however do not fail to make yourself safe, by getting the consent of the authorities to your taking the place. The police, first. The Municipality next. Armed with the approval of these two authorities you will have put yourself into a fairly strong position, before you open your guns & begin the battle. - It will be a big fight before you succeed, so it behoves you to be strong before you begin.

Here then, my friend, are my views  
yrs faithfully  
E. Sheppard

# THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

Babatso kaofela ha ba kopane yualeka  
letsopa la samente. Rare ho Mosotho  
ho uena Mozulu ho uena Moswazi oa  
Ngwane. Rare ho Moxosa hamnobo  
le hottena Moshangane; Tsohung Ma-  
:: Afrika Letsatsi la Afrika le chabile. ::



Wonke umuntu ontsundu makabe munye  
nje nge bumbha lika semende. Sisho  
ku Msutu ku Mzulu, ku Mswazi, ku  
Mxosa, ku Mshangane naku Msambezi,  
Siti Vukani Ma-Afrika. IKwezi le  
:: Afrika se li pumile. ::

P.O. Box 6645,

188, MARSHALL STREET,

JOHANNESBURG.

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Clerk and Organiser.

E. P. MART ZULU,  
Assistant Treasurer.

59, Lyndhurst Road,  
KIMBERLEY, C.P.  
June 3rd 1938.

Dear Mr SECRETARY,

I beg to submit the following

Suggestions for the consideration of the Committee

making Arrangements for the forth-coming Special Con-

vention of the AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS to be held

at (Kimberley ?) on the 1st July next.

To make the Special CONVENTION a huge suc-  
cess a carefully drawn AGENDA must be prepared, and  
set Addresses prepared on selected Subjects. For  
this I venture to suggest that the following be placed,  
inter alia, on the Agenda with the names of  
gentlemen who may be asked to speak on them, viz.-

## THE STATE OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

(a) Causes of its failure to function; the state  
of the Provincial Congresses, rival factions  
in some of the Provinces; the urgent Need for  
Re-Construction or Re-Organization of the  
National CONGRESS; how can the Loyalty and /or  
the Co-Operation of the Provincial Congresses  
be secured and maintained?

By T. D. MWELI-SKOTA,

## The POLITICAL SITUATION.

Effect on the political influence of the Native  
Voter of the General Enfranchisement of the en-  
tire European Population of the Union- male and  
female; the Detrimental effects on the social,  
political and economic welfare of the Bantu of his  
EXCLUSION from the Political Organism of the  
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land; recent Native Legislation and its significance.

By Rev. Z.R. MAHABANE,

The ECONOMIC DEPRESSION AND UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG THE AFRICAN PEOPLE. The Operation of the Civilized Labour Policy of the Government; the Cessation of the Diamond Mining Operations of the country and its effect on the economic life of many Native Families, etc.

By H. SELBY MSIMANG,

*Certain* COMMERCE AND THE GENERAL ECONOMIC POSITION OF THE AFRICAN; Trading Rights in the Native Locations; The Opposition of ~~some~~ Municipalities; the Policy of the African National Congress on the ~~South~~ Question; the Desirability of the Formation of Co-Operative Societies among the African people, etc.

By R.V. SELOPE-THOMA.

If the Committee think these suggestions are sound and calculated to produce good results, it may make other suggestions of subjects of supreme concern to our people and nominate other Speakers on those or on the above Subjects.

I trust you will not fail to forward direct Invitations to the several Presidents of the Provincial Congresses.

It seems to me that the Bechuanaland & Griqualand West Provincial Congresses will start every effort to ensure the success of the Emergency Convention of the A.N.C.

Do not fail to communicate with the President-General as well as the Speaker of the House.

With the best wishes,

I am,

Yours very Sincerely,

CHAPLAIN-IN-CHIEF.

ALL AFRICAN CONVENTION.

10, Adam Arcade,  
37, Commissioner St.,  
Johannesburg.

10th. September, 1936.

Dear Sir,

Re: TRANSVAAL PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE.

Following the notices already issued and published and the meeting of the Transvaal members of the Executive Committee, I am sending you the enclosed memo. of draft programme and motions which kindly consider, correct, add, amend, or give such suggestions as you think fit, and return to me therewith on or before Monday the 14th instant.

A meeting of the members of this Committee will be held on Monday the 14th instant at 12.30 p.m. to polish up this agenda and motion and also to consider the question of financing the reception, printing of the programme etc.

If the time for the meeting is inconvenient to you please make a note of your observations and constructive criticisms and return them to me in time to be used at the meeting. Should there be no meeting I shall act on the criticisms in the best way possible and in the interest of the Conference, believing that whatever I may have done will be ratified by you all, as we cannot wait much longer. I suggest that each member contribute not less than 10/- to meet expenses for the organisation of the conference etc. This may be refunded if the Conference proves a financial success.

I shall do the work as expeditiously as possible with your co-operation. I learn that the Rhythmic King's Band will not be available for the reception which to my mind, and in view of the lateness of time, should be abandoned.

The J.A.F.A. has consented to stage a match in the near future to assist us in raising funds for organisational work as well as the Rhythmic King's Band. The J.B.F.A. is almost sure to fall in line. I am expecting their letter soon.

Yours faithfully,

H. Selby Maimburg,  
C.S.

ALL AFRICAN CONVENTION.

TRANSVAAL CONFERENCE.

DRAFT

PROGRAMME.

- Saturday  
3rd. October 8 p.m. Reception of Delegates in the Bantu World Hall. Rhythm King's Band in attendance. Delegates showing registration ticket and badge to be admitted free. Admission 2/6d all round.
- 4th. October 10 a.m. Conference opens.  
Chairman: Mr. R.V. Selope Thema.  
(a) Roll Call.  
(b) Notice Convening the Conference.  
(c) Chairman's address on the reasons for calling the Conference.  
(d) Explanation of Government's policy underlying all discriminatory laws by \_\_\_\_\_  
(e) Findings and Programme of Action of the All African Convention: by \_\_\_\_\_  
(f) Economic Development of the Africans by \_\_\_\_\_  
~~(g) Discussion of the~~
- Each address not to take more than 30 minutes.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 2.15 p.m. (a) Discussion on the Government Policy.  
(b) do Economic Development Policy of the Convention.  
(c) do general organisation and strengthening of existing organisations.
- Each discussion not to take more than one hour.

- 5th October 10 a.m. Motion (attached) moved by the Chairman on behalf of the Executive Members.  
Discussion and ~~adoption~~ determination thereof.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

- 2.15 p.m. Election of members of the Provincial General Council of the Convention.  
The Purpose of and methods for raising Five Million Shillings.

NOTICE: Delegates must please register with the General Secretary and at the B.M.S.C. between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Saturday the 3rd. October, 1936 to receive badges. Registration fee is 1/- per delegate.

Programme and Motions obtainable from the Secretary and at B.M.S.C. for 1/- a copy.

DRAFT MOTIONS.

1. **INASMUCH** as the Union Government has definitely and unequivocally adopted the principle which affirms that the Africans do not form part of the South African community and that the interests of the country are distinct from those of the Africans;
- INASMUCH** as this principle confirms the basis of sentiments which motivated the enactment of over thirty discriminatory laws and regulations, among which are the Pass Laws, Curfew Regulations, Poll Tax, Masters and Servants Act, The Natives Land Act, the Riotous Assemblies Act, the Natives (Urban Areas) Act, the Native Administration Act, the Colour Bar Act, the White Labour Policy, the Service Contract Act and, as a culminating climax, the notorious Native Bills which have since become law, all of which and sundry others indicate conclusively that there is no community of interests between the Africans and non-Africans;
- INASMUCH** as the enactment of the Representation of Natives Act which renders impotent and ineffectual any representation of African interests in Parliament, and the Native Land and Trust Act which limits the area of land for the occupation of Africans to only 12 per cent of the area of the whole Union, is the climax of the accepted policy of political, industrial, economic, educational, cultural, social and territorial segregation which carries with it the predominating ambition for political domination over and economic subjection of the African people;
- INASMUCH** as the machinery designed to bring into effective consummation of the said principle is:-
  - (a) to substitute the legitimate form of political representation formerly embodied in the Cape Native Franchise by a sham and
  - (b) to apply all forms of economic pressure capable of guaranteeing the farmers and other employers of labour a limitless supply of cheap and free labour by the limitation of land to accentuate congestion of and to aggravate pauperism among the Africans;
- INASMUCH** as that the Union Government has declared that it shall for all time consider the Africans as a separate dependent community, which declaration the Africans must needs construe in the light of numerous prejudicial legislative enactments and regulations directed against them, as meaning their perpetual subjection without a hope of realising their mutual aspirations and without opportunity or privilege to attain to their natural destiny but to be reduced to a condition of economic slavery;
- NOW THEREFORE** this Conference being convinced and wholly satisfied:-
  - (a) That the Union Government has renounced all responsibility of trusteeship for and on behalf of the African people in support of which renunciation the Prime Minister (General Hertzog) declared in Parliament on the 4th March, 1936, that "the first duty of the whiteman is to himself, whatever the right of the Native may be, he has no right to call upon us to do anything which might jeopardise our supremacy
  - (b) That it does not seek nor intend to safe-

guard, promote and secure the best and highest interests, privileges and welfare of the Africans;

- (c) That it is determined against the will of the Africans to impose and maintain the white-man's supremacy and domination in this country at the economic and political expense of the Africans;
- (d) That it is resolved to emphasize, irrespective of the consequences upon the Africans, the paramountcy of non-African interests in this country;

hereby resolves, in compliance with the law of self-preservation to explore all avenues which shall hasten the promotion of the best, highest and material interests of the African people as a community which does not form part of the South African nation represented by the Union Government and Parliament.

WHEREFORE this Conference reaffirms the instructions given to the Executive Committee of the Convention contained in the Programme of Action, and with that end in view:-

- (a) It calls upon all African organisations to immediately register with the General Secretary of the Convention;
- (b) It authorises the establishment of a strong Provincial General Committee for the Transvaal in which all registered organisations and tribal groups shall be officially represented, which Committee shall have power to establish local committees in each district similarly constituted; and in districts where there be no organisation or not more than one organisation then the Committee is empowered to create an organisation with registered membership under the guidance and direction of the Provincial General Committee subject to such authority as the Executive Committee of the Convention may from time to time delegate to it and to frame rules and regulations to govern such an organisation subject always to Article 2 of the Constitution;
- (c) It authorises the Provincial General Committee to devise ways and means for fighting, defeating, counteracting, alleviating and/or abolition of discriminatory laws and regulations;
- (d) It instructs the Committee to push, carry out and organise all economic measures for the upliftment of the African people;
- (e) It instructs the Committee to appoint a Publicity Committee for the general edification of the African people in connection with all measures, policies, objectives, efforts and lines of organisation and other educative matters;
- (f) It instructs the Committee to consider the question of thousands of African children who have been refused education under the new Education Regulations and to discover the means by which these children may obtain education in spite of the said Regulations;
- (g) It calls upon each organisation, district and tribal groups to speed up the raising of Five Million Shillings to enable the Executive Committee of the Convention to push the economic schemes and educational facilities expeditiously.



Committee shall be detailed to explain the law and regulations thereunder with regard to the election of a Senator, members of the Representative Council and the Electoral College and point out the dangers likely to follow if the Transvaal and the Free State are so organised as to ~~insure~~ insure that only such candidates as shall be recommended by the two Provincial Committees acting under instructions from the Executive Committee of the Convention will vote for. Whereupon the following motion may be moved by the seconder, viz:-

- (a) That this Conference fully endorses the general instructions issued by the All African Convention through the President that every electoral area should elect men for the electoral college who are recognised representatives of the Convention pledged to carry out the instructions thereof, that all members of the representative Council shall be official nominees of the Convention through the Executive Committee, and that only such candidate or candidates as shall have been nominated as already stated shall be voted for for the Senate.
- (b) That this Conference authorises the ~~Executive~~ Provincial General Committee to appoint a full time officer with instructions to visit every chief and district for the purpose of presenting these resolutions and seek active co-operation.
- (c) That the Provincial General Committee approach the Free State and Transvaal Advisory Boards with a view to active co-operation.



M<sup>rs</sup> F. J. Mueli - Skota  
P.O. Pimville  
Johannesburg.  
T. W.

# AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

[WESTERN PROVINCE]

[All Correspondence to be addressed to the Provincial Secretary]

TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE HEADQUARTERS:

51 WALE STREET

CAPE TOWN

1<sup>st</sup> November 1936

Dear Mr Skota

On my return from Mysaa and  
Moorosi Bay I found your letter awaiting me. Thanks  
very much. I shall reply later - in a day or two.  
This is in haste. But in the mean time kindly  
send me the addresses of Mrs Matabe, and the  
African Ministers' Ass.

I have delivered your letters to all your friends to  
whom they were addressed. In fact they are <sup>all</sup> very often  
at the above address. I shall surely inform you as  
soon as the reserved judgment of our text case is delivered.  
I am surprised to learn that Dr Seme went to you for  
your copy of the Constitution. For some time back he wrote  
to me that that copy of yours was out of date and  
that he had the new one - with all necessary amendments -  
ready. I shall write again.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Oshani

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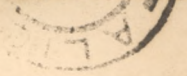
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# AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

[WESTERN PROVINCE]

[All Correspondence to be addressed to the Provincial Secretary]

TEMPORARY EXECUTIVE HEADQUARTERS:

51 WALE STREET

CAPE TOWN

.. 21st November 1936 .. 19

T.D.Mweli Skota Esq  
P.O. Pimville  
Johannesburg

Dear Sir

Re-Coto's Nomination on the Executive A.A.C.

Since my last letter to you on the above subject, we have received from Mr. Msimang another letter in reply to our letter. As I am attaching a copy of our reply to this second letter of his, I have no doubt but that you will be able to gether from the contents thereof what the essence of his letter was. But please keep this to yourself. You have asked me to keep you well informed, and to the best of my ability I am trying to do so.

Re- Thaeles affairs

Kennon Thaele is back in town, having been brought up by a Summon of Non-Support issued by his wife. After that Case, he went down to Worcester and there he made a horrible smash by in citing a certain clique to violence. The result was that Osthenuisen; W.Oilphant, and several women got their heads smashed with sticks. The cosequences are that he and another are charged before the Worcester Court with Assault. The Case was heard on the 13th inst, but on my request it was remanded to the 3rd of Dec. when I have g got to appear as Prov. Secty. on the Crown side.

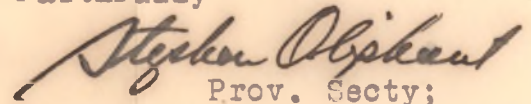
From the fore-going you will appreciate my difficulty without a Constitution of the Organisation.

Let me therefore again appeal to you to reply immediately, and quote the exact wording from the Constitution of the Following:-  
The buying of Property etc; The authority of the Conference in ~~calling~~ election of Officers; The Constitution of the Conferance; The duties of an Ex-Officer in case of a grievance, and the procedure of an Ex-Officer for redress.

I would like to be armed with this knowledge before I go down to Worcester. Let me also get those addresses I asked of you.

Thanks in anticipation

Yours Faithfully

  
Prov. Secty;

21st November-1936

H. Selby. Msimang Esq  
Gen. Secty. A.A.C.  
37 Commissioner Str.  
Johannesburg

Sir

Re-my nomination on the Executive A.A.C.

I am grateful to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th inst on the above subject. And in reply, I beg to state how disappointed I am at, perhaps, my misconception of the contents of your letter of the 27th ult.

From certain passages in that letter, I gained the impression that should my nomination be endorsed by your Executive in the interim, I shall be required to attend the Meeting of the Executive next January 20th. In which case, meanwhile, I had prepared myself, as soon as I got notification of the endorsement, to call together a Representative Meeting of all Organised Bodies in the Western Prov. with a view to getting them to affiliate. This I wanted done before my attending the said meeting of the Executive next Jan. But, from what I now gather from your letter of the 18th inst, it appears that Dr. Gool's case is on the Agenda of that same Executive Meeting in question, and that it will only be then when the Executive may or may not, according to the merits of the Case, request him to resign. In which case I have no authority to proceed with my plans.

I thank you for the Application Form and the copy of General Instructions. But, I would remind you, that the A.N.C. of which I am one of the Provincial Presidents, has Officers who rank above me. And I think that it is their duty to see that our Organisation is affiliated to the A.A.C. in accordance with the Constitution thereof.

In any case, may I ask you please to inform me immediately if this has not yet been done by my President General or Secty General of the A.N.C., so as to enable me to get in touch with them on the matter of the affiliation of our Organisation.

Yours Faithfully

*pp an Goto*  
President

# ALL AFRICAN CONVENTION.

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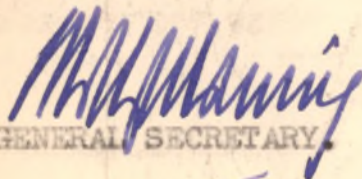
12th. December, 1938.

Dear Sir,

Mr. T.D.Mweli Skota of P.O.Box 3210,  
Johannesburg is issuing a Convention Almanac with  
photographs of all members of the Executive Committee,  
members of the Native Representative Council, Senate  
and Parliament.

I should be pleased if you would be good enough  
to send him a copy of your photo which will be returned  
immediately a block of same is taken and if you could  
treat the matter as urgent seeing that he purposes to  
~~trans~~ have the Almanac early in January next.

Yours faithfully,

  
GENERAL SECRETARY.

Eastwood Town Ship  
P.O. Box 609

Mr J. D. M. Sikota  
Pretoria

Rand Chambers

17 May 48

Johannesburg

Dear Mr Sikota,

Your's has been received, and I thank your kindness indeed to inform me about that Meeting which has been appointed by Mr Basnet, And to know that the same meeting shall be on the 29<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> inst;

being Transvaal African Congress to which I hope I will be present, when still alive, And I would Press this to you, Not to forget we Eastwood Town Ship Village Council,

My Comrade, We are badly treated just now, by these Mendicant's People the Peri-urban Area, They stop People in building houses they like, even the Closet. And this matter has been handed to Mr Basnet during the year of 1945, that we do not want the Peri-urban Area in our Town Ship. And I would be pleased to see Mr Ballinger.

Yours faithfully

J. D. M. Kuma  
Headman (E.T. Ship)



P.S

Men's Phone

42.778

Stn Gerards Mission

Please when you phone, do

Call for I.D. Kumalo (Staff Sergeant)  
Eastwood Town Ship.

The sisters there will send for me,  
say 5 minutes time I will be there.  
as you know my place  
distance.

August 4, 1963

Dear Mr. Skota,

I'm enclosing the letter and clipping you've kindly lent me.

I've asked an American friend, Professor H. Brotz, to try and see you regarding the 1912 constitution. Was there a 1912 constitution? Mr. Stanley Trapido at the University of Natal gave us a copy of the 1919 constitution, which he got from you. Is this the 1912 constitution in final form? Perhaps you could explain this to Professor Brotz.

I've also talked to some other people who have told me they would call on you.

It was a great pleasure to see you. I look forward very much to seeing you in January or in February.

Sincerely,

*Thomas Karis*

Thomas Karis  
Associate Professor of  
Political Science  
City College of New York  
17 Lexington Avenue,  
New York 10, N.Y.

Mr. T. D. Newell-Skota,  
P.O. Box 32110,  
Johnsburg.

Dear Sir,

Please receive herewith  
my photograph which I  
believe will satisfy your  
requirements for the Convention  
Almanac.

Mr. Minnauy did not instruct  
me to send any particulars —  
so I expect the photograph will  
satisfy.

Yours faithfully,  
W. Stinhal Cummins

To Mrs. P. ka I. Seme.

Dear Madam,

We, the Pinville Women's National Society, an Organisation that is 10 years old, with branches at Klerke ōorp and Randfontein and over 500 members, are shocked at death of our beloved leader and friend Dr. P. ka I. Seme. Our profound sympathy is all for you and your family. To us, the death of Dr. Seme is a terrible loss.

He was the lawyer of this Society. He arranged for us all the legal documents and also corresponded with the Government for us. He was our adviser. The Society resolved to offer, which we hereby do, £5 and a wreath.

It is our prayer that his Soul should rest in peace with his fathers, and that the Almighty consoles you, strengthen and guide you until you too are called to join him in the great beyond.

The Pinville Women's National Society have here two Messengers full of its members to attend the funeral of our late friend.

THE PINVILLE WOMEN'S NATIONAL SOCIETY.

H. Lekhoti, Secretary.

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