THE NATION BUILDING PROGRAMME OF AFRICAN NATIONALISM - STATUS CAMPAIGN. (POSITIVE ACTION.)

For three months now we have been engaged in a terrific drive for membership having set ourselves the target of 100,000 by July, 31st. That date is now at hand and whether we ach our target or not, we will announce our membership.

... DO WE NEED 100,000 MEMBERS ?

We need 100,000 members by July, 31st, because first of all, if we do reach that target, that will be irreputable proof of the popularity of our cause. No organisation in South Africa, with the exception of the I.C.U. has yet had such membership. And to achieve that in THREE MONTHS!! That will be an unparalled achievement!

Secondly, we need this membership because we require a broad disciplined base from which to launch our unfolding sustained programme of emancipation. And such a membership will ensure the widest diffusion of our directives and will certainly ensure that throughout the country we have a broad disciplined front line to the lead in our campaigns.

WHY THE 31st JULY ?

We chose the 31st July because that is our National Heroes' Day. On that day we rededicate ourselves to the of African freedom and independence, drawing inspiration from the African men and women who died holding aloft the banner of African independence.

It is, therefore, appropriate that on that day we should unfold a little, the programme of positive action that ill start us on the road to the United States of Afrika, free and independent among the nations of the world!

THE STATUS CAMPAIGN :

The National Working Committee, therefore, in implementation of the Nation - Building Programme of P.A.C. directs the Regions of the P.A.C. to put before the Branches the concept of a status campaign for their consideration and comments.

The Status Campaign we view as an unfolding and expanding campaign, involving the status of the African politically, economically and socially. Once launched, it will be maintained until freedom is won! But its success depends on its receiving the whole hearted support of every member of the P.A.C. as well as of the millions of our masses. This it will, if its objectives are clearly grasped and understood and if we work out our strategy realistically.

MENTAL REVOLUTION OF THE OPPRESSED AFRICANS :

For over three hundred years the white man in this country has entrenched his position politically, economically socially/Page 2......