

usual experts with their computers have come up with the projection that at this rate the CP and rightwing Afrikaners would get a majority of 10 in the white parliament if there is an election; and that the whites would vote 55 percent in favour of the CP and its allies in a De Klerk referendum.

COMPROMISE AND CONSENSUS TO BE REACHED

This has very crucial bearing on the negotiations of De Klerk, since he has once again promised that in the referendum scheduled for early 1992 the white vote will be counted separately. This would give the white and rightwing the victory. In such a situation, De Klerk would most likely push his ideas of a compromise much harder and get the ANC and others to accept that whites were entitled to self-determination. As Patrick Laurence, assistant editor of *The Star*, said in Harare recently, when he and Vincent Maphai and William Breytenbach tried to sell the idea of the CODESA affair: "However, the major players at the conference, the ANC and Mr de Klerk's National Party, realise all too well that they have to reach a consensus as far as possible, on a sufficient and pragmatic consensus."

Well, De Klerk has categorically declared that he and his Nat Party are against any form of majoritarianism and that community interests (read: white minority interests) would have to be taken into full account.

A significant aside: US AID has given the ANC R12,5 million and Inkatha R7 million for their "negotiations" expenses.

STATE'S POLICY OF DECEPTION

Rejecting any participation in the negotiations meetings of 29 November and of 20-21 December 1991, the New Unity Movement says in its latest statement that the conference has nothing to do with the promotion of the struggle for democracy, except to confuse it and destroy it. "The De Klerk government has created this forum to secure the collaboration of certain sections of the political movement of national liberation; the sole purpose of this is to strengthen the hold of the ruling class upon the political, economic and other machinery of the State, with the help of these willing collaborators . . ."

The statement says further: "It is being made to seem as though the IFP, the ANC and the PAC are co-sponsors of this Conference. That is only part of the State's deception policy and part of the self-deception which, regrettably, has become a feature of the political posturing of a section of the leadership among the disfranchised. It is in fact a glaring