

RESOLUTION ON PUBLICITY AND INFORMATION OF THE NEC MEETING

MARCH, 1975

This meeting of the NEC notes:

1. That the victories of the national liberation movements and peoples of Mozambique, Angola and Guinea-Bissau, created extremely favourable conditions for the advancement of our struggle in South Africa;
2. That, however, the South African regime aided and abetted by international imperialism and certain collaborators amongst our people, has launched a massive campaign to undermine our struggle and to perpetuate the status quo by:
 - (a) attempting to divide free Africa on their united stand on the South African question through their so-called policy of detente;
 - (b) slandering and lying in an attempt to mislead African States and world opinions, as well as to isolate the ANC;
 - (c) using the Bantustan institutions and puppet leaders to subvert our people's commitment to seize political power in our country.

This meeting, therefore, agrees;

1. That in order to counter these efforts by the South African racists and international imperialism a massive propaganda and publicity campaign be launched both at home and abroad;
2. That we ourselves, at all levels, be in a state of maximum mobilisation to face the tasks ahead by being thoroughly conversant with the policy of the ANC at all times.

To achieve these objectives, both at home and abroad, this meeting resolves;

1. That our regular publications SECHABA, MAYIBUYE and VOW be geared to fulfil the needs of the rapidly evolving situation and that in the case of Sechaba the National Executive gives urgent attention to the serious delays experienced in producing the journal;
2. That Spotlight be re-established with a view to acquainting all our personnel and solidarity organisations etc. with news and views of the ANC on a weekly basis;
3. That a document defining our policy on the present situation be produced urgently and that a second document outlining our policy on Bantustans be also produced for wide distribution;

4. That a new ANC slogan articulating the present situation be formulated;
5. That a newsletter be produced, in the main African languages as well as in English and Afrikaans for distribution at home;
6. That our radio stations in Lusaka, Dar-es-Salaam and elsewhere where broadcast facilities are available to us send across hard-hitting statements and talks with the main objective of mobilising our people for the armed struggle.
7. That there be co-ordination of our radio centres in their broadcasts.
8. That an appeal for assistance from sympathetic agencies and other humanitarian organisations be launched for:
 - (a) Equipment
 - (b) Maintenance of the staff
 - (c) to enable the correspondents to travel.
9. That meterbands for Radio Tanzania should be announced in the official publications of the ANC, both internal and external.
10. "It is further resolved that an internal discussion bulletin be produced ~~for circulation among members.~~