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En is n gay-menslike 20-jarige heteroseksuele dame wat sterk vel oor die feit dat daar teen ons gay mense gestemint word.

'n Term wat in d'e tale en gesprekke gebruik word is, demokrasie maar gay mense word ingesluit nie in die demokrasie ingesluit nie. Is dit reg? Nee! wat op die oomblik in ons land gebuur is van belang vir alle mense woonagtig in die land insluitende die gay gemeenskap. Hier is mense met regte wat nog nie aan hulle toegestaan is nie, nou dat almal hulle regte het is dit nog tyd dat hulle ook hulle regte kry

Byvoorbeeld dank

Die Une

~~Roets~~

Natasja Roets

7147

To whom it may concern

I am a gay-friendly, 20 year old, heterosexual woman who feels strongly about the fact that our gay friends are discriminated against.

Democracy is a term used in all languages and conversations, but gay people are unfortunately not included in this democracy. Is this right? No! What is happening at the moment in our country is important for all people living in the country including the gay community. They are people with rights which have not yet been granted to them, now that everyone has their rights it is high time that they are also granted their rights.

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours faithfully

Natasja Roets

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The Constitutional Assembly
P O Box 15
CAPE TOWN
8000

10 May 1995

Dear Sir

I like to submit to you to keep the equality clause of the present constitution unchanged in the new and final constitution.

I feel it essential that the right to conduct my life and my lifestyle in a way in which I personally like to express it. I believe that my Christian belief does form part of my lifestyle within the freedom granted in the interim constitution.

Yours sincerely

T Rose
9 School Str
Johannesburg North

THE CONSTITUTIONAL
ASSEMBLY

P.O. BOX 15
CAPE TOWN

0800

10. MAY 1995

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YOURS SINCERELY

T. ROSE
9 SCHOOL ST.
JOHANNESBURG NORTH

PETITION

We also recognise the right of the individual to defend himself, his family and property through the use of fire-arms.

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To:
The Constitutional Assembly

24 May 1995

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I thank you for taking this matter into serious consideration.

● Sandra

HUMAN SCIENCES RESEARCH COUNCIL

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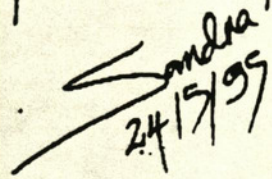
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Sandra
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Human Sciences Research Council

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26 Mei 1995

SEKSUELE ORIËNTASIE EN DIE GRONDWET

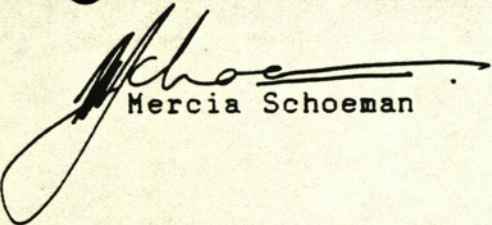
Hiermee wil ek my steun verleen aan die behoud van die klousule vir gelyke regte in die grondwet, met spesifieke verwysing na seksuele oriëntasie.

As deel van die homoseksuele gemeenskap ervaar ek nog daaglik die gevolge van direkte en meer subtiele vorme van diskriminasie teen my lewenstyl - 'n situasie wat nie aan die die Suid-Afrikaanse grondwet, wat geen diskriminasie voorstaan, gestand doen nie.

Ek verwys geensins na enige spesiale regte vir die homoseksuele gemeenskap nie, slegs na die basiese, humanitêre reg van vryheid van keuse. Indien dit die keuse van 'n alternatiewe lewenstyl behels waardeur niemand te na gekom word nie, kan elke individu tog sekerlik daardie reg van keuse beoefen? Terselfdertyd moet daar egter grondwetlike voorsiening gemaak word waardeur sodanige keuses kan realiseer.

Dit is dus noodsaaklik dat die klousule vir seksuele oriëntasie in die grondwet behoue moet bly.

Met dank



Mercia Schoeman

7102

188 Manning Street
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26 May 1995

SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND THE CONSTITUTION

I would hereby like to give my support to the retaining of the clause for equal rights in the constitution, with specific reference to sexual orientation.

As part of the homosexual community I daily experience the consequences of direct and more subtle forms of discrimination against my lifestyle - a situation which is not in keeping with the South African constitution, which advocates no discrimination.

I am not referring in any way to any special rights for the homosexual community, but only to the basic, humanitarian right of freedom of choice. If this means the choice of an alternative lifestyle where no-one is harmed by this, surely every individual can exercise this right to choose? At the same time, provision must also be made in the constitution to enable the realisation of such choices.

It is therefore necessary for the clause on sexual orientation to be retained in the constitution.

Thank you.

Mercia Schoeman.

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85 - 14th Ave
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Eastern Cape
29-04-95

Dear Sir /Madam

We all have the "right to choose" I agree. However I object most strongly to the shopkeepers who display and sell pornographic magazines. They are taking away my children's right and my own right to choose not to be exposed this filth. So all the "pseudo - intellectuals" who buy these magazines for the "very good articles" in the magazines, might, might I suggest that you read your Bibles for even better articles. Our God does not want us to behave like this and the good news is that he loves us all PORN BUYERS OR NOT.

God bless you with his love.

(Mrs Carol Shackleford)

SONS: Graeme Aged 14
Rory Aged 10

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Eastview bape
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God bless you with
His love.

Abraham,

(MRS CAROL SHACKLEFORD)

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Geagte Meneer

Hiermee my ondersteuning aan die insluiting van die seksuele oriëntasie-klausule in die finale Konstitusie en daarmee saam die reg om met dieselfde respek en waardigheid ander mense behandel te word en die reg om absolute Konstitusioneel-gewaarborgde gelykheid voor die Reg te geniet.

Dechenberg

To: Mr. Cyril Ramaphosa
The Chairperson of the Constitutional Assembly
P.O. Box 15
Capetown
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Mr. Ramaphosa,

When I voted for a free and fair South Africa, I was voting for the freedom to practice my religion without restrictions. I object in the strongest terms to this country, South Africa, becoming a secular state. You cannot free a man to vote and make his opinion known and at the same time restrict his children from learning about God in the schools and public places. I want the right to worship God anywhere in this country and I do not believe you can separate religion from public life or civil service.

I ask that you do not allow anything in the constitution to pass that would make South Africa a secular state. When we, the people of South Africa, voted in the present government, we did not vote out God from being worshipped and acknowledged as the One who brought about these changes. If the constitution will TRULY reflect the will of the PEOPLE, then you will not allow any bill to pass that would make the freedom of religion prohibited in any way in any part of society in South Africa. Keep South Africa FREE. You cannot free one part of a man and then restrict another part of him. Keep South Africa from becoming a secular state!

I am praying for you and those in elected government positions that God will give you wisdom in all the decisions facing this great country. God bless you and God bless South Africa!

Respectfully,

J. S. M. (Mrs)

22 Himmels
 Frei Street
 Nauelsig
 Bbeniarten
 21 May 1995

The Secretary of Constitutional Assembly
 P. O. Box 15
 Cape Town
 8000

Dear Sir

I the undersigned, hereby wish to express my views on the
 "gay issue".

Concerning gay rights and - discrimination towards gays, I
 strongly feel that all citizens should be regarded as
 equal, regardless of sexual orientation and preference.
 Gay people largely form the upper levels of society
 and are valuable, productive citizens. We all contribute
 to taxes and therefore should feel free to make
 use of all facilities without discrimination.

Furthermore, a definite clause should be passed,
 regarding protection of gay rights. For this reason
 I feel that this topic should be addressed
 with utmost!

Yours Sincerely
 J. M. M.

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21 May 1995

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Yours sincerely

[Signature, illegible]

Kastron Road 10
Suidheuwels
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22/05/95

The Chairman
Constitutional Assembly
PO Box 15
CAPE TOWN
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Dear Mr Ramaphosa

RE. NEW CONSTITUTION

As citizen of South Africa and person concerned about the future of South Africa I ask urgently that the following points be included in the constitution:

1. That recognition be given to the ALMIGHTY GOD in the introduction to the constitution.
2. That freedom of religion be guaranteed in all private and public places. That satanism and occultism not have right of existence as a religion. That the "Interfaith Movement" be strongly opposed.
3. That the Biblical values, ethics and doctrine be maintained and promoted
4. That the "SEXUAL ORIENTATION CLAUSE" be removed from the new constitution.
5. That church leaders may serve in government councils and committees
6. That the VOICE OF THE CHRISTIAN may have input in the theme committee which deals with the above-mentioned matters.

Thank you very much.

Yours faithfully
Signature illegible

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10 Eastonweg
Suurhewer

R. 197

22/05/95

Die Voorzitter
Grondwetgewende Vergadering
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KAAISTAD
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Geagte Mnr. Ramaphosa

I.S. NUWE GRONDWET.

As burger van Suid-Afrika en belanghebbende in die toekomst van Suid-Afrika voel ek dringend dat die volgende punte in die grondwet opgeneem sal word:

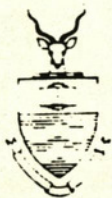
1. Dat erkenning gegee word aan die ALMAGTIGE GOD in die aanhef tot die grondwet.
2. Dat godsdiensvryheid gewaarborg word in alle private en openbare plekke. Dat salanisme en okkultisme nie as 'n godsdienst besaansig het nie. Dat die "Interfaith Movement" ten sterkste teengestaan word.

3. Dat die Bybelae waardes etiek en leer gehandhaaf en bevorder mag word.
4. Dat die "SEXUAL ORIENTATION CLAUSE" in die nuwe Konstitusie verwyder word.
5. Dat Kerkleer op regeeringsrade en Komitees mag di
6. Dat die CHRISTENSTEM inspraak mag hê in die Temakomitee wat bogenoemde sake hanteer.

Bas dankie

Die uwe

W. J. van der Merwe



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JH du P. Craze

Clinical Psychologist



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Pleinstraat 150

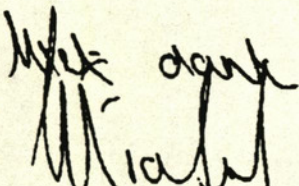
SUNNYSIDE
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25 Mei 1995.

Wie dit mag aangaan (WETGEVENDE VERGADERING)

SEKSUELE ORIENTASIE WETAT IN DIE NUWE GRONDWET.

1. Hiermee versoek ek dringend dat die
beslissing oor seksuele oriëntasie in die
nuwe grondwet behoue moet bly.

Miek dogter

Ms. E. J. J. J. J.

207 Pleinwalk
150 Plein Street
Sunnyside
0002

25 May 1995

To whom it may concern (Constitutional Assembly)

SEXUAL ORIENTATION CONTAINED IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION

I hereby urgently request that the legislation on sexual orientation be retained in the new constitution.

With gratitude
Signature

I support the following:

1 The flood of pornography:

We warn that moves to unban pornography will inflame sexual passions, especially of the youth, and will inevitably continue the sharp increase in the number of children and women who will be sexually abused, raped and murdered. Pornography and human rights are mutually exclusive. Pornography is an addictive, destructive and exploitative industry. Human rights require the right to decency, the right to life, the right to security and safety and the right to protection from exploitation and abuse. Pornography infringes upon each of these precious freedoms.

2 The distortion of sex:

The popularising of sexual promiscuity and perversion like homosexuality will accelerate the spread of HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. These will only be controlled when society returns to the God-given and traditional model of abstinence before marriage and faithfulness in marriage. We therefore reject the inclusion of special protection for homosexuality and other sexual perversions in the Bill of Rights.

3 Value-free sex instruction in schools:

Experience in other countries has shown that sex instruction is not neutral but encourages experimentation and promiscuity, thus placing vulnerable sexually immature adolescents/teenagers at increased risk of sexually transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS. Moreover the proposed sex education syllabus is biased in favour of the so-called "Alternative Lifestyles" which are unacceptable to Christians.

4 The abuse of AIDS education:

We are concerned about the nationwide promotion of condoms for prevention of HIV/AIDS and STDs, in view of known condom failure. This is in conflict with the World Health Organisation statement (1991) that "the only safe sex is with one faithful uninfected lifelong partner".

5 The legalisation of prostitution:

The failure of the authorities to act against prostitution has already led to young women being brought into South Africa from Eastern Europe and Asia as sex slaves. Already young South African women are being abused and degraded in this way. The legalisation of prostitution will accentuate this trend.

6 The legalisation of abortion:

It is not acceptable that unborn babies should be killed in the womb while murderers are not executed. We maintain that anyone who robs a person of his most precious possession, his life, is a murderer.

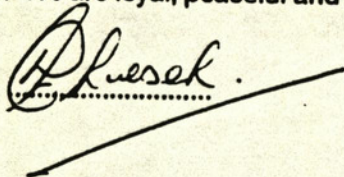
7 The legalisation of gambling:

Gambling undermines the family in two ways. By implying that wealth is the result of luck, it undermines the work ethic and leads to poverty. We insist that true wealth results from hard work, the application of knowledge, the use of tools and the blessing of God. We warn that the legalisation of gambling will lead to addiction, especially among the disadvantaged section of society, and greatly increase poverty. People will deprive children of food in order to gamble in the vain hope of "striking it rich" and being able to make it up to them. The resulting strains of the social services and welfare agencies and loss of productivity will cancel out any perceived tax gain by the state.

8 Our nation's subjection to God must be written in to the Constitution.

The values listed above and the threats to them are of great concern to us. Peaceful petitions along the line of the present one have been ignored. We urge the Constitutional Assembly, the Constitutional Court and the Government of National Unity not to ignore these values which are held dear by a majority of South Africans, but to take them seriously. We are loyal, peaceful and law-abiding citizens. Ignoring our peaceful petition will force us to take stronger action.

Signed:



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19 Serpentine Rd
Pinelands
7405
19 May 1995

The Executive Director
Constitutional Assembly
PO Box 15
Cape Town
8000

Dear Sir

COMMENT ON THE NEW CONSTITUTION

RE: FREEDOM OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

I really appreciate the opportunity to contribute to the constitution so that it may reflect the values of the whole population. I whole heartedly support the efforts of the new government to be truly representative of all South Africans. As a citizen I would like to express my views regarding the freedom of economic activity, particularly with regards to the sexual area.

I do whole heartedly support our constitution enforcing the right to freedom of economic activity. In the past we have not allowed this and the result has been much suffering and hardship for large sections of the population. The constitution needs to ensure this does not happen again.

Without detracting from the above, I do believe that certain restrictions on economic activity are required for the protection of society as a whole.

I believe that pornography takes advantage of and demeans those it portrays, normally women. It also undermines the moral fabric of society. Therefore the production and distribution of pornographic material should not be considered a legitimate economic activity.

In the same way, prostitution degrades those involved in it and destroys the fabric of many families. While we may not be able to end prostitution, we should most definitely not be legalising and encouraging it in any way.

Finally, the past few years has seen an increase in the number of sex shops in our cities. While this is not offensive to some, I do regard it as being a factor in the moral degeneration in our society and as such should not be considered a legitimate economic activity.

I realise that others in the population may have quite different views on these issues. I do think it is important that I express my belief that these activities are harmful to society and request that they not be legalised by the new constitution

I do appreciate the opportunity to make these comments, and I look forward with interest to rest of the constitution making process. I wish you well in your difficult task of formulating the new constitution.

Yours sincerely

W. L. M. M. M.

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TO: THE CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RE: ANTI-DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE IN THE FINAL CONSTITUTION

I am a 24 year old person involved in market research. The election of our first democratic government last year kept me in tears for 3 days from happiness and elation! For the first time we have a government that are honestly devoted to ensuring the human rights of each and every citizen of our country. But it seems that certain fundamentalist groups are set upon enselirining discrimination in our final constitution.

In the light of this I sincerely implore the constitutional assembly to retain the clause pertaining to non-discrimination against people on the grounds of their sexual orientation. I feel extremely strong about this - if you take away the citizens protection against discrimination and human rights abuses because of his or her sexual orientation, the precedent is set for discrimination on a broader level! Horror upon Horror forbid.

Thank you

Yours sincerely

Cornie Victor
P O Box 291
MELVILLE
2109

24/03/15

To The Constitutional Assembly.

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Mr A Smit
53 Lelie Street
Protea Heights
Brackenfell
95-05-22

The Chairman
Mr Cyril Ramaphosa
Constitutional Assembly
PO Box 15
Cape Town 8000

Dear Mr Ramaphosa

OBJECTION: THREAT TO FREEDOM OF RELIGION

I, the undersigned, hereby strongly want to speak out against a secular state, for the following reasons:

1. It would mean that existing religious privileges will be taken away from me, which in my opinion contravenes the transitional Constitution.
2. This would mean that Almighty God is not recognised in the constitution.
3. This would mean that no religion would be allowed to be practised in state buildings.
4. It would mean that Church leaders would not be allowed to occupy government posts.
5. I, as a Christian, want to retain the right to practise my religion at any time, anywhere, without depriving anyone else of their rights.

Thank you very much for your consideration.
A Smit

Helvestraat 53
Breda Street
Johannesburg
45.25.22.

Die Voorzitter.

Mr. Cyril Ramaphosa
Grondwetlike Vergadering
Pretoria 15

Haarstad 8000.

Gereente Mr. Ramaphosa,

is: BESWAAR: ANTASSING VAN GODSDIENSVRYHEID.

Ek wil ek, die antassing, my dit
uitspraak teen in sekulêre staat, en nie in die
volgende redes:

- 1). Dit sou beteken dat bestaande Godsdienstige voorregte
van my weggenomen sal word, wat my mening
in stryd is met die oorgangsgrondwet.
- 2). Dit sou beteken dat geen erkenning van die Al-
magtige God in die grondwet gegee word nie.
- 3). Dit sou beteken dat geen Godsdienst in staatsdiens
leef en mag, word nie.
- 4). Dit sou beteken dat kerkleens nie toegelaat sal
word om in staatskas te leef nie.
- 5). Ek, as Christen, wil graag die reg te myn tyd, en
alle plaas my geloof te kan sê en ook om iemand om
van my regte te ontneem.

Goed Dankie in u naam.

R. S. M.



Ebenezer Baptist Church



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18 April 1995

Minister of Provincial
and Constitutional Development
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Dear Sir

CONCERN ABOUT GODLESS ATTITUDE IN DECISION MAKING

We, as a Christian church, wish to state our utter dismay at many of the godless things which seem set to appear in our new constitution.

The Word of God, the Holy Bible, is the only and final authority for all life and practice and the minute this is deviated from, disaster will result. We would like to warn those writing the constitution that anything contrary to God's Word will result in His judgement against this nation.

No man, no political party, no government or anybody else is able to stand against Almighty God when He brings down His judgement hammer against the nation that has turned their back against Him.

Our plea to you, Sir, is please go back to what the Bible teaches. That is our only hope!

Yours faithfully

PASTOR PAUL SMIT

Letter also sent to:

1. Chairperson of Standing Committee
2. ACDP Parliament Office
3. Editor of Local Paper



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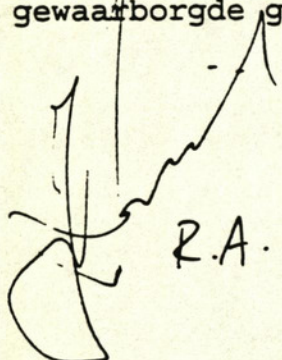
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Dear Director

Right to life (4.2) - Theme Committee 4

I am writing to urge you to liberalise South Africa's abortion laws and give poorer women (who, in this country, tend to be black) easier access to the safe termination of unwanted pregnancy.

As you know, at present it is virtually impossible to get a legal abortion in this country unless giving birth is viewed (by the medical profession) as dangerous to either the mother or unborn child. In a country that is overflowing with unwanted children this situation is nothing short of madness.

The ethics of abortion can be debated endlessly - my main concern, and I believe it should be the concern of this government - is pragmatism. There are no adequate welfare facilities to cope with children who are born to women who cannot cope (many of whom have been abandoned by the father) - unwanted children are simply thrown onto the streets. Very often these children die an early, violent death or grow up to be hardened criminals.

The howls of sentimental piety that emanate from the middle-class Christian Right should be treated with the disdain they deserve; these people do not represent the majority of South Africans, and certainly not the majority of South African women.

Finally, it is worth pointing out that, under the current stringent abortion laws, it is only poorer women who cannot get legal abortions. The wealthy either go abroad to have their pregnancies terminated or visit expensive gynaecologists. For the rest, abortion means a soapy syringe in a dirty hovel and, usually, treatment for septicaemia and even, in some cases, death.

Yours faithfully

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To whom it may concern:

Dear MP's Sir/Madame,

my name is Sharon Ann Stemmet. I am 32 years old and I am a lesbian.

According to my Knowledge the sexual orientation clause was included in the Interim Constitution. It would be devastated that your promise will not be kept.

I thought that each and everyone believed in human Right and Equality for all.

Yours in Pink

Sharon Stemmet.

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Sir, Lady

Baseline for a Constitution

Introduction

● The baseline on which the success of any government is build, lies in the process by which such a government was put in charge. I call this process the baseline of the constitution.

If this baseline is not right, it does not help how many actions (laws, rules and regulations) you take to try and correct the effects of a poor baseline - it will always lead to a non-optimal solution - as the previous government experienced with their implementation of the "apartheid" baseline.

In terms of human rights all people are equal and a system of one-man-one-vote is therefor the most suitable for electing a government that governs the human rights of a country - therefor, that baseline is in place..

However, looking at where we want to go with this country, it can be split into two main goals. Firstly, we want a country where the human rights of each individual is taken into account and secondly, **we want a country that will have an economical growth to ensure a better place for all.** (this is not by taking away jobs or opportunities from some people and giving it to others - current implementation of affirmative action - , but by economical growth creating more jobs and opportunities for ALL)

Even in the days of apartheid many people from Mozambique, Zimbabwe and the rest of Africa and Asia illegally entered the country away from their countries (where they had human rights). Why? Because human rights does not by food and clothes. Irrespective of apartheid South Africa offered a better quality of life. This better offering could only be contributed to the *better economical (comparing with their countries) decision making process that where in place in South Africa* (even for oppressed black people).

In terms of a baseline to ensure that human rights. it is now (after April 1994) already catered for, but the question if the **optimal** baseline exists that will ensure economical growth, I am about to answer.

Incentive for future economic growth by better quality education

In order to get people to do something better, they have to be motivated. The technique most commonly used is to build an incentive into a system. This is used in the sports world (medals, prize money etc) as well as in the business world (bonuses etc).

Is (are) there any incentive(s) build **DIRECTLY** into the baseline that will motivate the education and future economical contribution of an individual?

To help to the answer on this question the following hypothetical case of two fathers with two children each both earning the same amount of income. Father number one spends the absolute minimum amount of money on the education of his children and rather uses the money for an extravagant lifestyle. In comparison father number two sends his children to the best schools\colleges\universities he can afford to ensure that his children will have the best possible **quality** education to be future economical contributors. In a one-man-one-vote system both families will be treated the same, now and in the future. There is therefor no incentive in the constitution for father number two to make his contribution to future economical growth. Father number one just has to produce another child and then his children will have more say in the country than the educated children of father number two.

Even for father number two's children there are no direct incentive to study hard and to become better economical contributing citizens. Their say in the election of the economics management is exactly the same than - and therefor neutralized by - that of the less educated children of father number two. Father number two thus has to compete against farther number one's ability to produce children.

There is therefor no incentive build directly into a one-man-one-vote system for better quality education (and future economical growth). The only incentive build into such a constitution, in terms of having a say in the country's management, is to have more children in an already almost over populated country.

Free and fair democratic system

The "buzz" question for a Democracy is that of the freeness and fairness of the democratic system. In the ideal (no intimidation) case one-man-one-vote can be said to be free and fair in terms of the managing of human rights. To decide whether this is fair in terms of election of a countries economic management, please answer the following question for the South African situation:

Is it fair that in out of a group of 7 people. where there is only one economic contributor, the six non-contributors have majority rule and therefor decide on how the single contributors contribution is managed?

No, therefor, a system of one-man-one-vote is not fair when it comes to the election of an economics government.

Representatives think like their supporters

In a system of one-man-one-vote the government that is elected represents the majority of the population. The majority of the South African population thinks in terms of the third world and therefore the majority of the government elected by a one-man-one-vote system will think in third world terms - if this is untrue, then the political parties must please tell their supporters that they do not think amongst the same lines.

It is not necessary for me to point to the rest of the third world and show that economic growth in those countries cannot compare to those of the first world. Therefor, a system of one-man-one-vote is not the optimal system to elect the government that manages the economics of a country.

Partners like to think alike

In any situation where two parties freely wants to work together, it is normally so that they want to be on the same wavelength or else much conflict of ideas will take place. This is so when a couple decides to get married and it is also so when two or more people wants to start a business partnership.

It is a known fact that South Africa needs foreign capital to ensure economic growth. For this we need foreign business partners. We cannot force them to invest here. We have to make it attractive to be here. They will only be here if they feel comfortable here.

When it comes to deciding whether to take your shareholders money and invest it in a foreign country you have to be sure that the government that manages the economy of that country thinks economic growth - or else you will be fired by the shareholders.

The majority of investors are from the first world and the economical booming far east (which originally got their technology and know how from the first world). Therefore, the more a economics government thinks like the first world, the more foreign capital will be invested here.

(How does the first world think (not dream) ? Better Productivity, Investment Growth, etc)

Acknowledgement of economic contributing

A one-man-one-vote system does not have any direct acknowledgement for an individuals economic contribution to the country. In terms of a persons say in the economic management of the country, we need a system that will not only acknowledge an individuals contribution, but also make provision for the fact that the more a person contributes to the countries money coffers, the more say such an individual must have in how this money coffer is to be managed. Not only does it acknowledge his contribution, but because he is able to contribute more, he surely must know better how to ensure economic growth of the country - compared to someone who does not contribute at all or a very little - and therefore will most probably have the ability to make a better economic decision than a non-contributor.

Who are the contributors?

When a person earns an income, a part of his income he uses for to improve his own life and the rest of his income is paid to the government in the form of income tax. Although some of the money that he uses for himself is also indirectly taxed (VAT etc), he has the final decision whether to spend this money on taxable (luxury items) on non taxable items (basic foods). However, the amount of income tax he has to pay is determined by the tax laws.

There is a part of the population that does not pay income tax, but they pay some of the indirect taxes (VAT etc). These are mostly either tax evaders (which we don't want to have a say in any case) or people who live very close to the bread line buying clothes or other basic (non food) taxable items. The VAT amounts that these lower income groups pay are infinitesimally small when compared to the amount of indirect taxes being paid by the income tax payers. It can therefore be said that the income tax payers are 99% the economic contributors of the country.

Government support by tax payers

In any democratic system, a government success is related to the tax payer support that it right fully can claim (not dream off). All indications today show that the majority party of today does not have the support of the tax payers. Statistics shows that 85% off income tax paid, is paid by whites. Does the ANC has 85% of the white support? Although it is expected that the proportion of tax being paid by ANC supporters will hopefully change in the future, this will take time and until then the existing system is not the optimal democratic system for the South African situation. Even then the majority party supporting tax payer will be better motivated if he knows that the democracy system acknowledge his contribution.

Goal orientated democratic system

Taking all these above mentioned factors into consideration, the following proposal is clearly more suited to the South African situation - a much better baseline than the existing one-man-one-vote system:

The government consists of two houses; a human rights house and an economic house. The human rights house is elected by the people on a basis of one-man-one-vote. The economics house is elected by the contributors on a basis of "one-rand-one-vote".

This "one-rand-one-vote" base is calculated with a linear formula that acknowledges the contribution that an individual has made to the country's money coffers. For instance: for every R1000 that a tax payer has paid in income tax since the previous election, his voting weight is incremented by one. (eg R12000 tax gives a voting weight of 12.)

The principle of a government of national unity must be used in the assembly of both houses.

The human rights house manages the human rights departments of the government. Departments like Justice, Police, Health, Defence, Foreign affairs, Sport (Although today it is BIG business) etc fall under the human rights house.

The economics house manages departments like Finance, Public enterprises, Transport, Mineral and Energy affairs, Tourism in other words; all departments that does economy resource management.

Some departments will have to be shared by the two houses. For instance the Department of Education. Education is a human right but the standard of education determines the future economic growth. In this case the school facilities, educational laws etc may be run by the human rights government but educational standards, syllabuses etc are managed by the economics government ie. functions that will ensure economic growth.

Both houses has a President which on a rotating basis act as State President. (To save costs)

Technological Solution

During the previous election there were more than one vote to be casted, so the idea of voting for separate governments was already used. The only difference in this case is that the weight of one vote depends on information available at the income tax office. As cellular networks will be more common by the time of the next election, the technology is already available. A information handling specialist company will design such a system at a fraction of the costs of the total election.

Some people may argue that in case of the vote for an economic government, your vote secrecy is now jeopardized. This might be true (not necessary with the technology available), but none of the tax payers I know mind if somebody else knows which party he/she has voted for.

Conclusion

It is not the goal of this document to spell out the detail of the government structure, but it proposes a concept which has the following advantages for the South African situation:

- 1 In terms of economical management elections it is a much fairer system.
- 2 There is an incentive build directly into the democratic system for people to get **quality** education (not just qualification papers) that will ensure future economic contribution and growth.
- 3 It will ensure an economics government that will take the correct decisions to ensure economic growth
- 4 It will improve the chance of attracting foreign investors and therefor economic growth.
- 5 For a single political party to have majority in both houses, this particular party has to have the support of the people **as well as the tax payers** - which will lead to a more balanced political parties.
- 6 The South African tax payers contribution to the economy (which is the **HIGHEST IN THE WORLD** for the middle income group) is acknowledged without any effect on the human rights of non tax payers.
- 7 The rights of minorities are better protected. (eg The IFP will not feel so much threatened any more which will lead to more peace in Kwazulu/Natal)
- 8 Intimidation will have less of an effect in the outcome of the overall election of a government. This is because due to their higher average education level,

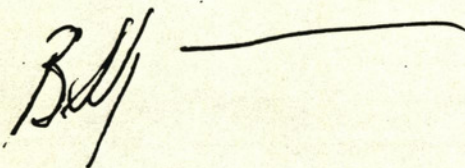
there is less opportunity for intimidating tax paying voters. (An overall more free and fair election process)

- 9 It will dampen the "Brain drain" (Contributor drain) taking place at the moment. (We need these people !!!!!)
- 10 It gives all South Africans a better chance of improved life quality.

I agree that this is a unique solution and I don't know of any other country in the world that uses it. I also don't know of any other country in the world that has the same situation than the South African situation **and** that is booming economically. Zimbabwe comes close to the same situation but as mentioned earlier, it's citizens entered the our country illegally - irrespective of the apartheid human right situation that were present in the past - because of the bad economic situation present in their country. The bad economic situation in their country can only be contributed to the fact that a human rights baseline is used to manage the economy of that country - the road that South Africa is following presently.

Other than taking away some of the undeserved economical power that some political parties might enjoy presently (They will still have the same political powers in terms of human rights), I cannot see any negative point for any one of the country's citizens that comes close to the positive advantages mentioned above. If there are any other founded negative points, I really want to hear about it.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Bertus Steyn', followed by a long horizontal line.

Bertus Steyn

- NS The biggest threat to changing to such a goal orientated democracy will be the political power that some of the human rights parties are enjoying at this moment. If you don't agree what is stated here, please make sure that it is not your political power that is subconsciously been threaten by such a solution, but clear cut principles that will ensure a better life for all South Africans.

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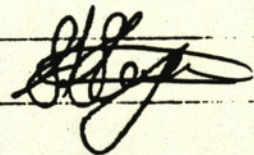
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Sir/Madam

SUBMISSION ON "GAY RIGHTS"

My name is Shaun Stuart and I've already given you a submission. However, I've recently been reading a lot about the ACDP and other individuals who wish to have the clause pertaining to discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation, not included in the Final Constitution. It is for this reason that I've decided to send in a second submission.

I wish to have the clause 8.2 in Chapter 3 (Fundamental Rights) of the Interim Constitution retained in its present form i.e. "NO PERSON SHALL BE UNFAIRLY DISCRIMINATED AGAINST, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AND, WITHOUT DEROGATING FROM THE GENERALITY OF THIS PROVISION, ON ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS IN PARTICULAR: RACE, GENDER, SEX, ETHNIC OR SOCIAL ORIGIN, COLOUR, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AGE, DISABILITY, RELIGION, CONSCIENCE, BELIEF, CULTURE OR LANGUAGE."

The above clause must therefore, be included in the Final Constitution. I firmly believe that all South Africans should be protected by our Constitution, even gays (homosexuals) who are also part of the diverse South African culture. Basically, what I'm saying is that gays don't want "special rights" (as many opposers of homosexuality will say we want), all that gays want is fundamental human rights. I did not ask to be born black and gay, but I'm proud of what I am and thank God for creating me in his own image! As a Christian it was at first difficult for me to accept my homosexuality but I've come to realise that God's love for me is unconditional!!! I'm quite confident that my submission will be included in the final Constitution (since it already appears in the interim constitution and has the support of the leading party in government).

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Submission on "GAY RIGHTS."

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29th May, 1995

By Hand

Dear Sir / Madam

Section 8(2) of Interim Constitution

I would like to express my support for Section 8(2) of the Interim Constitution which makes provision for equality on the basis of sexual orientation.

I have spent the last five years doing research into the question of gender equity at the University of Cape Town. One of the first projects we undertook was into the question of sexual violence on campus. While I anticipated reports of psychological and verbal harassment of gay students, I was quite shocked to discover the amount of physical violence that gay students at the University experienced. What I found most disturbing, however, was the silence that surrounded this question on our campus - it felt like this was a problem that no-one wanted to even talk about: not the people that the violence was directed against, not the student organisations on campus, and not the University authorities.

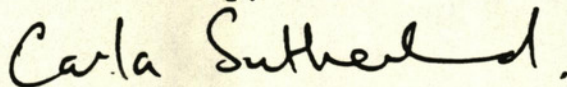
Since that time, the silence on our campus has begun to break down a little. Gay and lesbian students and staff members at the University have come together to form an organisation to address the discrimination and prejudice that is a part of an institutional culture that either assumes everyone is heterosexual, or that considers those that are not to be perverts or deviants. While there were a range of influences that gave rise to the formation of such an organisation - at least one of the factors was that

sexual orientation was included, explicitly, within the equality clause of the interim constitution.

I also think that serious consideration needs to be given to what it will mean to REMOVE a clause from the interim constitution. I am convinced that it will signal to people - not that gays and lesbians do not need protection - but worse, that it is okay to discriminate against people on the basis of sexual orientation.

The protection offered by the sexual orientation clause, that does not give special rights or privileges to people, but simply asserts that denying rights to someone on the basis of his / her sexual orientation is not allowed, is incredibly important. I have seen and experienced the positive effects that this clause has made both at the place at which I work, as well as in my own life. I really hope that is firmly entrenched in the final constitution.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carla Sutherland".

Carla Sutherland
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Die Uitvoerende Direkteur
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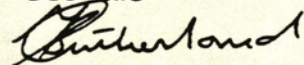
Hiermee wil ek 'n baie sterk pleidooi lewer dat die 34 grondbeginsels waarop tydens die onderhandelinge te Kempton park ooreen gekom is, net so in die finale grondwet opgeneem moet word. As rede hiervoor word aangevoer dat hierdie beginsels juis ingeskryf is om die regte en vryheid van elke individu in die Suid-Afrikaanse samelewing te waarborg. Hierdie beginsels maak ook daarvoor voorsiening dat elke landsburger verseker kan wees van gelyke burgerskap wat gelyke beregtiging voor die reg. Die beskerming van persoonlike vryheid en die reg op 'n eie private lewe en die reg tot vrye assosiasie asook die reg om eiendom te besit en jou beroep volgens jou gewete te beoefen word hierin gewaarborg. Skraping van sommige van hierdie beginsel kan inbreuk doen op die handves van algemene mensregte.

2. Beskerming van die regte van die slagoffers van misdade.

Die huidige stand van sake ten opsigte van reg en orde en die toepassing van geregtigheid in ons land wek baie kommer by die gewone publiek. Dit skyn asof reg en orde geheel en al in duie stort en dat regspraak bykans nie meer bestaan nie. Gesprekke met toepassers van wet en orde en die regsplegers van die land versterk hierdie vermoede. Die menseregte van misdadigers kry glad te veel aandag terwyl die regte van die slagoffers geheel en al geïgnoreer word. Ons insiens behoort die persoon wat 'n misdaad pleeg en tot tronkstraf gevonnis word, nie meer aanspraak te kan maak op basiese regte soos stemreg en gewone burgerlike beskerming nie. 'n Persoon wat tronkstraf opgelê word vir misdade soos moord, aanranding, verkragting, kindermishandeling en enige misdaad wat teen die persoon van 'n landsburger gepleeg word asook verklaarde gewoonte misdadigers, mag nie geregtig wees vir beskerming onder die handves van menseregte nie, want sodanige persoon het deur sy daad self gekies om van sodanige handves uitgesluit te word. Misdadigers word te goed behandel in die tronke en borg word te maklik toegestaan, daarom verval persone te maklik in die geval van 'n gewoonte misdadiger. Die finale grondwet behoort hierdie saak indringend en op 'n baie duidelike wyse van afkeur en veroordeling aan te spreek.

Met dank.

Die uwe


F C Sutherland.

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• Vir wie dit mag aangaan

Ek is 'n manlike gay, en hiemee gee
 ek my volle ondersteuning aan gelyke
 regte vir almal in ons land.

As 'n ondersteuner van die ANC, en
 veel vir die gelyke regte begunsel
 pleit ek vir regte van alle Suid-
 Afrikaners in ons grondwet. (Ongeag
 seksuele voorkeure).

• 'n Groot gedeelte van ons bevolking
 is gay en ons dra by tot
 die ekonomie en kultuur,

in Positiewe besluit in die verband
 sal verander word

Goeie
 Kos Tolken.

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Kobus Tolken
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25 May 1995

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To whom it may concern

I am a male gay, and I hereby give my full support to equal rights for all in our country.

As a supporter of the ANC, and above all of the principle of equal rights, I plead for rights for all South Africans in our constitution (Irrespective of sexual preference).

A large section of our population is gay and we contribute to the economy and culture.

A positive decision in this regard would be appreciated.

Regards

Kobus Tolken

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20 May 1995

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CAPE TOWN

Dear Sir

The chairperson, the constitutional assembly and the department of justice I greet you once more in the name of peace, democracy and justice. I am the prisoner at the above mentioned address and the member of the African national congress. At present stage I am serving eight years imprisonment convicted on the 4th November 1993 for robbery. As far as the matter is concerned I'm not satisfied about the decision taken by the court, and I have appeal on this matter and my appeal was rejected only because I didn't have a lawyer or the advocate. This appeal was rejected on the 9th May 1994 at Pretoria Supreme court.

What surprises me is that the constitution says that I have the right to stand on my behalf in court, but the supreme court told me about the representative and I didn't have enough money to pay for a lawyer. The matter itself was not dealt with law, instead the court oppressed and discriminate me just because of my colour, sex, race and gender. The constitution also says that the court must not take side (favourism), but it must apply the law. As far as my case was concerned, the court has not applied the la.

but forced me to be guilty. I could realize that this happened during the apartheid regime but the fact is that I am punished for what I don't know. I can briefly tell the constitutional assembly what happened: It was December holidays when we as taxi operators having a celebration, and on our celebration arrived constable Mauundla driving a Jetta VW car, he celebrate with us and at the end of celebration I talk to constable Mauundla to accompany me to Villiers where my mother stays. He decided to offer me the car to go and I should bring it back. Then on my way I was arrested and the police told me that the vehicle was robbed, and I didn't believe because the car was given to me by the constable, a member of police force.

The constable was also arrested and jailed. When I asked the court how do I become responsible for the robbery, there was no suitable answer for the question and I was told that I might be the one of the robber. The evidence and witnesses evidence was mentioned in court but the court undermine everything and I was forced to be one of the criminals. If possible to follow the stages of this matter, the court can proof the fact that I'm not the criminal and I won't be the criminal. I am not free in anything I do presently because I always thought that I'm in prison for nothing. I therefore appeal and request the constitutional assembly to help me in this matter. I am the freedom fighter but not the criminal. Let justice to be the key in finding solutions for all south Africans. I will be glad if my request can be considered and I should be freed from apartheid detention. Your immediate attention will be always considered.

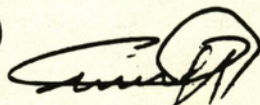
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With kind regards

19 JUN 1995

Yours sincerely

Pat Jabulani Tshabalala (93/02/293)



CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY
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Dear Sir

● E: THE EQUALITY CLAUSE AS REGARDS SEXUAL ORIENTATION

I, being "GAY", feel that I have the right to equality, as does any other person, no matter what their race, age, sexual preference etc.

I thought discrimination was something of the past, but some people still think that they have the right to judge others. I thought that was left for God to decide, but people will always fear what they don't understand.

I therefore state strongly that:

THE EQUALITY CLAUSE AS REGARDS SEXUAL ORIENTATION WHICH IS INCLUDED IN THE INTERIM CONSTITUTION, SHOULD BE RETAINED IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION.

(There is only one thing that makes us different from you - we sleep with someone of the same sex. We do not ask what you do in your bedroom, so don't decide for us what we can do in ours!)

●
Yours faithfully

LINDA DANIELLE VAN DE PUTTE
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CONSTITUTIONAL ASSEMBLY
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Dear Sir

RE: THE EQUALITY CLAUSE AS REGARDS SEXUAL ORIENTATION

I, being heterosexual, have gay friends and know how they are discriminated against. I feel that the days of discrimination are in the past and that is where it should remain.

We all have our rights and equality should be open to all no matter what your race or sexual preference.

I therefore state strongly that:

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Yours faithfully

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25 Mei 1995

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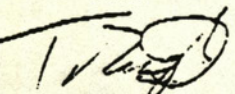
Nuwe Grondwet

Hiermee verleen ek graag my sterkste ondersteuning aan die insluiting van gelyke regte vir almal in die nuwe grondwet. Onder 'gelyke regte' bedoel ek gelykheid vir almal in die wydste moontlike sin.

As 'n blanke, manlike gay in die nuwe Suid-Afrika, voel ek veral baie sterk ten opsigte van die eksplisiete insluiting van 'n klousule wat enige vorm van diskriminasie gegrond op seksuele voorkeur, ten sterkste verbied. Dit sluit diskriminasie op sosiale, politieke en ekonomiese vlak in. Gays vorm 'n integrale deel van alle vlakke van die samelewing en hul bydrae tot die vooruitstrewendheid van die nuwe Suid-Afrika, op alle vlakke, mag nie gering geskat word nie.

Ek glo en vertrou dat u hierdie skrywe in dieselfde ernstige lig sal beskou as waarmee dit aan u gestuur word.

Die uwe



T van Dyk

PO Box 382
Melville
2109
25th May 1995

The Constitutional Assembly
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New Constitution

I hereby give my strongest support to the inclusion of equal rights for all in the new constitution. By "equal rights" I mean equality for all in the widest possible sense.

As a white, male gay in the new South Africa, I feel particularly strongly about the explicit inclusion of a clause which strictly prohibits any form of discrimination on the basis of sexual preference. This includes discrimination on social, political and economic levels. Gays form an integral part of all levels of society and their contributions to the progressiveness of the new South Africa, on all levels, should not be underestimated.

I believe and trust that you will view this letter with the same serious consideration as that given to writing it.

Yours faithfully

T van Dyk

3732

Greyling Street
POTCHEFSTROOM

20 March 1995

Dear Sir

I strongly believe that the constitution should eliminate blasphemy.

We should also have a right to religious education at school, of course taking into account various religions and not necessarily for instance only the Dutch Reformed Church, Methodist Church, etc.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our views on the constitution.

(Mrs) M VAN ROOYEN

Watson,
 Freyburg,
 Dsch.

1995-03-10.

Waarde Heer,

Ik veel sterk daarvoor dat die
 Grondwet sal bepaal dat daar geen
 lustering teenoor God mag plaasvind nie.
 Dat daar ook die reg mag wees om
 Godsdiens ondderig op skool te geej met
 natuurlik in agneming vd verskillende
 Kerkverbande en nie noodwendig net
 by die NG Kerk, Metodiste, ens nie.
 Baie dankie vir die
 geleentheid gebied om ons mening
 uit te spreek rakende die Grondwet.

Baie dankie,

Marc M. van Rensburg

m m, Kan hupk Huis Ekkelson S 36.

L Hurk Huis Ekkelson S 41

m. Veldsmou "Huis Ekkelson" S 42.

Gefachte Liefde,

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grootste en kleinste.

Mr C. Ramaphosa
Constitutional Assembly
Cape Town

Dear Sir

I hereby wish to put a serious request to you to retain the Homosexual orientation clause in the final Constitution.

It is of utmost importance that we in the New South Africa give equal rights to all and this includes the Homosexual persons.

We are people in own right with needs, values, thoughts and feelings which cannot be taken away by any human being.

Help us also to feel worthy as human beings and to be of more importance in the community if we can enjoy acceptance.

I trust that my presentation will give an input in your decision-making.

Jan van Tonder
Villieria
Pretoria

24 Mei 195

Graag Mr. Ramphosa,

i.e. Konstitusionele Grondwet.

Graag slyf ek aan u, na aanleiding van die
 versoek om die "Seksuele Oriëntasie-klausule"
 uit die Grondwet te haal.

Ek is 'n getroude "straight" vrou, maar het
 baie "gay" vriende en vriendinne. Ek daarom
 wil ek u vra om nie aan die
 versoek te voldoen nie.

Hulle (die gay-gemeenskap) het net so reg
 op die lewe as enige ander mens,
 en ek voel daar moet opgehou diskrimineer
 word teen hulle.

Blykbaar baie dankie.

Erdene

Festike van der Merwe.

7104

24 May 1995

Dear Mr Ramaphosa

Re: Constitution

I am writing to you on account of the request to remove the "Sexual Orientation Clause" from the Constitution.

I am a married "straight" woman, but I have many gay friends, both male and female. I therefore want to ask you not to comply with this request.

They (the gay community) have just as much right to live as any other person and I feel that there should be no more discrimination against them.

Thanking you in advance

Estelle van der Merwe.

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VIR AANDAG: MR CYRIL RAMAPHOSA

Geagte Heer

VOORLEGGING TOT NUWE GRONDWET VAN SUID AFRIKA

As gewyde, besorgde Christen en burger van Suid Afrika doen ek graag die volgende aan die hand m.b.t. die nuwe grondwet van Suid Afrika:

Dat Godsdiensvryheid gewaarborg sal word in alle private en staatsgeboue /opelug terreine

Dat godsdienstige ampsdraers die reg gegun word om enige pos te beklee in die Staat

Dat satanisme en okkultisme nie as godsdiens erken sal word nie

Dat die Intergeloof Beweging (Interfaith Movement) ten sterkste teengestaan word

Dat Bybelse waardes, etiek (sedes) en leringe in die nuwe Grondwet gehandhaaf en bevorder sal word

Dat die "seksuele oriëntasie klosule" in die grondwet verwyder word.

(Homoseksualiteit, lesbianisme, sodomie en omgang met diere is hoogs onnatuurlik, abnormaal en immoreel en verdien beslis geen toelating of beskerming in die nuwe grondwet nie).

Mag God gee dat u en u raad die land preserveer om in die regte rigting te beweeg. 'N Grondwet sonder God is beslis 'n land sonder God en ons kan dit nie bekostig nie. Ons is tog immers 'n 70% Christen land.

Die Uwe



Ook gestuur aan: **Die Uitvoerende Direkteur: Mnr Hassen Ebrahim (Dieselfde Adres)**

En **Die Sekretaris
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Heathcote 6851
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May 1995

Dear Friends

Thank you for waiting so patiently for this newsletter. The sudden switch from Afrikaans to English, is because of our new found friends from Last Days Ministries and YWAM America, Brazil and Australia. They share our vision and send teams to our kibbutz to encourage, assist and participate in whatever outreaches or work we are involved in. Because they are such a blessing to us, we would like to share our progress with them too.

WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE

For five months we went through a tremendous dry period, experiencing many pitfalls. It was so difficult, but we learnt that plants not only need daylight... the night is also part of the growing process.

But! We've come through the fire, yet we did not burn, only our dross has been removed. God has pulled us so close to Him.

NEW LIFE EMERGING

God has called us to stick to our vision according to Luke 1:17. This command to "return the hearts of the fathers to their children and to bring the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous" has again become vibrant and strong within our hearts. With new zeal we are task- and Jesus orientated.

Also God is strengthening our management, but more about that in the next newsletter...

Luk 1:17 - En hy sal voor die Here uitgaan in dieselfde gees en krag as Eisa, om vaders en kinders met mekaar te versoen, om ongehoorsames op die regte pad terug te bring en om so vir die koms van die Here 'n volk voor te berei

Luk 1:17 - And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous - to make ready a people prepared for the Lord

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17.5.95

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The Chairman
Constitutional Assembly
PO Box 15
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ATTENTION: MR CYRIL RAMAPHOSA

Dear Sir

SUBMISSIONS TO NEW CONSTITUTION OF SOUTH AFRICA

As a devout and concerned Christian and a citizen of South Africa, I would like to suggest the following concerning the constitution of South Africa.

That religious freedom be guaranteed in all private and government buildings/ open-air grounds
That religious office-bearers be allowed to fill any government position
That satanism and occultism not be acknowledged as religions
That the Interfaith Movement be strongly opposed
That biblical values, ethics (morals) and doctrines be maintained and promoted in the new Constitution
That the "sexual orientation clause" be removed from the constitution
(Homosexuality, lesbianism, sodomy and intercourse with animals are highly unnatural, abnormal and immoral and do not deserve admittance or protection in the new constitution).

May God grant that you and your council preserve the country to move in the right direction. A Constitution without God is definitely a country without God and we cannot afford that. We are after all a 70% Christian country.

Yours faithfully

E van de Venter

Also sent to: The Executive Director: Mr Hassen Ebrahim (Same Address)

And The Secretary

ACDP

Fax no: (021) 461 9690

Translator's note: Please attach copy of the letter from the Kibbutz El-Shammah to this letter.

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Als ich die Welt zu sehen kam, da
 die Welt so schön war, da
 ich so viel sah, so viel sah ich, da
 die Welt so schön war, da
 ich so viel sah, so viel sah ich, da
 die Welt so schön war, da
 ich so viel sah, so viel sah ich, da

Spas dank
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Howe and Watt

Markings

Needles

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27/05/95

To whom it may concern

As an individual I would like to request that the sexual orientation clause be retained in the final constitution so that each person has the right to live according to his or her own sexual preference without discrimination.

Many thanks.

Andre van der Walt
Klerksdorp
North West

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5 Louw Street
Krugersdorp
30th April 1995

The Constitutional Assembly
P.O. Box 15
Cape Town
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I appreciate this opportunity of expressing my opinion. I find the pornographic magazines that are sprouting like mushrooms very offensive and although others should have the freedom to look at what they wish its becoming very difficult to shield my children and grandchildren until they are old enough to make a reasoned choice. We as a christian family have tried to bring our children up in a Christian manner and I think we deserve same protection. The new freedom of books, films has certainly not improved the criminal element nor helped in the in the figures for rape and child molesting.

I'm sure you'll agree that we all want a nation of people with solid values and moral ethics and if this means reintroducing standards of decency and moral values so be it and you will have my undying gratitude and support.

Yours faithfully
M. Van Der Watt

5 Lawn St.
Knutsford
30th April 1995

The Constitutional Assembly
P. O BOX 15
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20 April 1995

Mr. Cyril Ramaphosa
Chairperson of the Constitutional Assembly
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Dear Mr. Ramaphosa,

I understand that the ANC has submitted a proposal that in the New Constitution of South Africa it should be stated that South Africa is a "Secular State", and that State and Religion should be separate.

I strongly oppose this because of it's implications i.e.

1. Anyone who is a Christian Leader, such as a pastor would not be able to hold public office in any state institution.
2. No Christian services could be held on any state land or building
3. No Christian prayer would be allowed in any state institution or one funded by the state.

I wish my objection to be noted and if possible replied to.

Yours Sincerely

REV. D.C.A. VERMEULEN



C Viljoen

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Potgietersrus
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The Constitutional Assembly
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n Vuurwapen is net so veilig soos n tafel mes, dit hang net af hoe u dit gebruik. Ek besef dat daar baie mense in Suid-Afrika is wat teen wapens is. Net so is daar ook baie wat vir wapens is.

Daar word die idee geskep dat almal wat wapens het dit gebruik vir geweld. Dit is natuurlik nie waar nie. Luister maar na die nuus van plekke wat beroof word en as die oortreders gevang word is hul wapens ongelisensieerd. Wapens word natuurlik aan gewend, van die vroegste jare af vir die verdediging van ons land. Tweedens word wapens gebruik om kos vir die pot te kry sodat ons kan leef. Wapens word ook nou al n geruime tyd gebruik in sport soorte.

n Land sonder wapens is n swak land en n baie GROOT teiken vir ander lande om aan te val. Ek voel dat wapens toegelaat moet word in elke land. Ons het tog die reg om ons self te verdedig het ons nie. Ek het al baie daar aan gedink, waarmee gaan die persoon wat teen wapens is hom verdedig die dag as hy moet?

Die Uwe

Chris Viljoen

An abomination, a terrible thing has been done in the Land of God.
The colour of money dressed as billions of rands that were used
to subsidize the Angolan war is now been used to subsidize property
and housing through the financial institution for the few.

An abomination, a terrible thing has been done in the Land of our God.
The colour of money has been used to cause one hundred percent
inflation in the property market to further marginalize and oppress
the underprivileged.

Fear not, my brother for the ruler of this world has been conquered;

Fear not, my brother for the Lord Jesus our God has condemned the
ruler of this world to the eternal fire of hell;

Fear not, my brother for even though the constitutional legislature
does not protect the marginalized and oppressed from
the colour of money, the ruler of this world has been
conquered;

Fear not, my brother for the interest repayment by the ruler of
this world to the Lord Jesus our God is but like
the sand of the sea.

" NKOSI SIKELEL' iAFRIKA "

" GOD BLESS and PROTECT AFRICA FROM THE COLOUR OF MONEY "

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PO Box 184
Hertzogville 2690

22 May 1995

The Eexecutive Director
PO Box 15
Cape Town

Sir,

Thank you for the opportunity granted me to make an input to drawing up the Constitution.

I wish to air my opinion about the following matters:

FRANCHISE:

I feel that someone with the franchise should really have made a special contribution to the Treasury, therefore I would suggest that only registered taxpayers should have the franchise. Therefore only someone with an income tax number has the vote.

NEW NAME:

Too much confusion has already been created locally and internationally through name changes. Therefore; leave our country's name unchanged.

SELF-PROTECTION:

According to the constitution it is everybody's right to protect himself. If this is made impossible by removing the right of citizens to carry weapons, this right is a farce.

We hear about murders, rapes and other serious crimes daily. We also constantly hear that the Police cannot be present everywhere. In Johannesburg marches are held to protest against vehicle hijacks. In view of all this it would be more realistic to make it mandatory to carry weapons. Of course members of the public would then have to be able to prove that he legally owns the weapon in his possession.

All the best in your task.

[L.C. VON CAUES]

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POSBUS 184
HERTZOGVILLE 2690
22 MEI 1995

DIE UITVOERENDE DIREKTEUR
POSBUS 15
KAAPSTAD

Meneer,

Dankie vir die geleentheid my gegun om inspraak te lewer by opstelling van die Grondwet.

Ek lug graag my mening oor die volgende sake:

STEMREG:

Ek voel dat 'n persoon wat stemreg het, darem 'n spesiale bydrae tot die Staatskas moes maak het, daarom sou ek voorstel dat slegs geregistreerde belastingpligtiges stemreg behoort te verkry. Dus slegs 'n persoon met 'n inkomstebelastingnommer, het stemreg.

NUWE NAAM:

Daar is reeds genoeg vewarring plaaslik en internasionaal geskep met naamveranderings. Dus; laat ons land se naam onveranderd.

SELFBEKERMING:

Volgens die grondwet is dit elkeen se reg om homself te beskerm. As dit nou onmoontlik gemaak word deur burgers die reg te ontnem om wapens te dra, is hierdie reg 'n klug.

Daaglik word van moorde verkragtings en ander ernstige misdade gehoor. Daar word ook gereeld gehoor dat die Polisie nie oral teenwoordig kan wees nie. In Johannesburg word optogte gehou om beswaar te maak teen voertuigkapings. In die lig van dit alles sou dit meer realisties wees om die dra van vuurwapens verpligtend te maak. Lede van die publiek moet dan natuurlik in staat wees om te bewys dat hy die wapen in sy besit wettig besit.

Baie sterkte met u taak.


[L.C. VON CAUES]

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Mrs E J Vosloo
P O Box 3098
Honeydew
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17 May 1995

Constitutional Assembly
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To whom it may concern

● Regarding - Legislation concerning Aids

As a concerned citizen of this country who regards God's laws concerning human behaviour as unalterable, I would like to give my view on this issue.

I have much sympathy with Aids victims and those identified as being H.I.V. positive. Many of these people became infected through no fault of their own, and are truly victims. However, it is also a fact that many more people have become (end of page one) infected by the virus because of their unnatural sexual behaviour or loose sexual values sleeping around.

● I acknowledge that people cannot all be the same, because every person has a free will and can choose his/her own lifestyle. The problem arises when a person's choice of lifestyle and his rights impinges on other peoples rights. The person infected with aids may or may not have made choices which have put such a person at risk. However, other need to be protected against this killer virus.

From watching TV programs on this subject and reading results from polls taken, it is clear that the majority of aids infected persons do not seriously care about protecting others. Therefore the constitution will have to do this.

I propose that there be pre-employment testing for certain job catogories where there may be a danger of infection i.e. medical, dental, food etc. (end of page two). I also propose that it be declared illegal for an aids infected person to withhold such information from any person with whom he/she intends having sex regardless of whether or not a condom is used. I believe it is a person's basic human right to know that he/she may become infected if consenting to sex.

This may help to save the nation millions of rands for medical which can be used elsewhere. Many children now born HIV positive will not be there as I believe most people will refuse having sex with an HIV positive person and risking infection. Why must children be the innocent victims of callous adult behaviour?

May God grant you wisdom to make decisions that will stem the spread of this killer disease.

Your sincerely

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Yours sincerely

(Mrs) ~~Flaboo~~

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Mr M Webster
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26th May 1995

The Chairman
Constitutional Assembly
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CAPE TOWN
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Dear Sir

THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO SELF-DEFENCE

In response to your invitation I wish to record the following:

1. The right to self-defence is inalienable;
2. The right to self-defence becomes meaningless if the right to carry weapons is denied;
3. The nature of any action taken in self defence will be dictated by the threat posed and it is an established fact that violent crimes in South Africa are invariably committed with weapons of some sort;
4. To restrict the rights of law-abiding Citizens to bear arms in self-defence, would leave them defenceless against the criminal element who would, in any event, not abide by legislation restricting the carrying of weapons.
5. The right of every South African to keep and bear arms must be entrenched in the new Constitution.

Yours faithfully

M Webster

P O Box 67536
Bryanston
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Although I am personally not in any manner inclined towards being gay (homosexual) I am, in my approach to this matter, completely tolerant.

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Jim Wheeler.
(PETER WHEELER)
P.O. Box 67536
Bryanston

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38 Northview Rd
Red Hill
Durban
4051

8th March 1995

The Executive Director
Constitutional Assembly
P O Box 15
Cape Town
8000

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I believe that the Holy Bible should be the plumbline by which all the laws of the land be measured.

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Let us be a society that upholds God's moral laws for our own good.

I am sure all the guest religions are not in conflict over these.

Yours sincerely

Jenny Whiting

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Jerry Whiting.

12 Wesley Gardens
Swallow Crescent
Walmer
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Executive Director
Constitutional Assembly
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In view of this, and in the interest of the health of the population, please ban cigarette/pipe/cigar smoking in all public places and vehicles.

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For those who choose not to, I call upon the Government to protect their democratic right to have their choice protected by law. Please give positive consideration to this proposal when drawing up the new Constitution.

Yours faithfully

Oulieen Wiggill (Mrs)

12-2-54
Sullivan Crescent
Waltham 6070

Executive Director
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PO Box 15, Joaze Town 8000

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Catherine Wiggill (Mrs)

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Cape Town
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22 May 1995

The Constitutional Assembly
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Cape Town
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To whom it may concern:

Re: Rephrasing of the equality clause

I, Nadia Wittles, (Aged 23 years) and resident at the above stated address, would officially like to state my support for the Equality Clause AS IT STANDS; giving equal rights to all peoples irrespective of race, gender or SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

Yours sincerely

Nadia Wittles

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P.O. Box 8050
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[NADIA WITTLES]

41b Burger Street,
Pietermaritzburg,
3201.

3rd June, 1995

Mr. John Tsalamandris,
Managing Secretary,
Theme Committee Four
Constitutional Assembly.

Dear Mr. Tsalamandris,

My sister and I implore those responsible for
formulating the new Constitution to ensure that it embodies
a clause protecting animals from man's greed, indifference,
ignorance, neglect and cruelty as far as possible.

We dislike the thought of intensively farmed
and laboratory animals, and the thought of them being killed
in a cruel way, so much that we have almost become vegetarians.

We believe that the welfare of animals is a
national concern and that a single standard should apply
throughout the country and be in the hands of the highest
level of Government. Therefore we think that their welfare
should not be in the hands of the different Provinces, but
organised by the Central Government.

We hope that this letter will not arrive too
late for you to add it to those who we are sure will also have
written on this subject, to be put before Theme Committee
Four.

Yours sincerely,

Clodagh Workman

(Miss) Clodagh Workman,

Frances Workman

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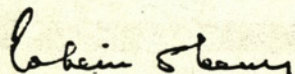
26 Mei 1995

The Constitutional Assembly
Mr. C. Ramaphosa

Geagte Heer,

U sal saamstem dat die finale grondwet van die Republiek van Suid-Afrika alle burgers moet beskerm. Daarom versoek ek dat u alles in u vermoë sal doen om te verseker dat hierdie grondwet 'n klousule bevat wat aan elkeen die reg en vryheid gee om sy of haar seksuele voorkeur uit te leef.

Die uwe,



R.S. Young

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PO Box 637
MELVILLE
2109

26 May 1995

The Constitutional Assembly
Mr C Ramaphosa

Dear Sir

You will agree that the final constitution of the Republic of South Africa must protect all citizens. I therefore ask you to do everything in your power to ensure that this constitution contains a clause which will give every person the right and freedom to live according to his or her sexual preference.

Yours faithfully

R S Young

TO THE HONORABLE
 SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES
 WASHINGTON, D. C.
 20540

THE HONORABLE SENATOR

I HAVE THE HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR LETTER OF APRIL TWENTY
 TO THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES, IN SUPPORT OF ALL
 THOSE RIGHTS THAT THE RIGHTS OF GAY AND LESBIAN INDIVIDUALS
 ARE LIABLE MUST TO BE SECURED FOR.

I AM SURE THAT YOUR OLD MESSAGE, LOCATED IN THE
 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, AND AN OLD COPY OF A HETEROSEXUAL
 RELATIONSHIP.



SEN. J. J. J.