



## RESOLUTIONS

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### 1. The NSC is opposed to the reinstatement of former National Office staff members

- A resolution was accepted by the National Steering Committee of the Khulumani Support Group to oppose any attempts by former National Office staff members to be reinstated. (*Names of former staff available from the National Contact Centre*)
- Khulumani provincial and regional committees, local groups and individual members shall report any actions by former staff members immediately to the National Contact Centre on 011 403 4098.

### 2. Steering Committees shall be formerly launched in all provinces before the next AGM

- The National Contact Centre shall consistently monitor and assist Local Groups to launch Provincial Committees before the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in December 2006.
- The National Contact Centre must be transparent and accountable to all Khulumani members and its associations in this process.

### 3. Provincial structures shall have improved access to news and information

- The National Contact Centre shall attempt to report on the work at provincial level in newsletters, updates and on the website.
- Khulumani national reports shall be made available to all provinces in time that includes newsletters, updates, funding proposals, reports of activities, and other important documents.
- Khulumani structures shall be assisted by the Contact Centre to access information of local and national government departments and other structures and role players.

### 4. Khulumani members shall have membership cards to present at all activities

- Nametags or membership cards will be generated by the National Contact Centre for provinces to confirm their member status wherever there are activities of Khulumani.

### 5. Issues with national relevance shall be supported by action in all provinces

- Where issues are identified by Khulumani decision-making structures as deserving of a concerted nationwide campaign, all provinces should follow through with picketing and other forms of protest.

### 6. Members shall be informed about the Lawsuit and take part in advocacy efforts

- The status of the Lawsuit Case must be fully explained to all Khulumani members so that they will understand what is done with regards to advocacy.
- Khulumani shall challenge all statements by the South African Government that are forwarded to the International Lawsuit Court in opposing the Khulumani case.
- During the course of the Khulumani International Lawsuit, all provinces shall picket to condemn the statement of the Minister of Justice rejecting Khulumani's call for reparations from business.

#### **7. Prosecuting cases to be forwarded to the Department of Justice**

- Khulumani shall forward 190 cases to the Department of Justice; this requires thorough research and Khulumani may ask law students of the Wits University to assist in this regard.

#### **8. Criminal records of those charged for political activities to be expunged**

- The Department of Justice shall be challenged to cancel the criminal records of those people who were fighting for freedom and have criminal records due to politically motivated activities.
- Provinces are to assist in identifying those who are prejudiced as a result of "criminal records". These names should be forwarded to the national contact centre.
- Examples to be used are that of Duma Khumalo and former President Nelson Mandela.
- The State must cancel such criminal records and should hold special events to honour them.

#### **9. Lobbying of individual members of parliament to support the victims of apartheid**

- Khulumani must lobby individual members of Parliament to call for support of survivors and relatives of the victims of political violence in South Africa.

#### **10. Government shall be pressed to respond to Khulumani's reparation proposals**

- A follow-up shall be done by Khulumani on its community reparations proposal that was submitted to the Office of the President at a meeting in 2005 between Khulumani and government representatives at the Union Building in Pretoria.
- The government promised to respond to the proposal before December 2005, but until today no response has been received from the Office of the President.
- The Department of Justice must also be asked to inform Khulumani of the government's reparation policies to deal with the Unfinished Business of the TRC, with specific reference to the Special Pension Fund, which will be closed by December 2006. Khulumani will demand for the remaining funds to be incorporated into a Redress and Rehabilitation Fund. How to allocate such funds, and for what purposes, must be decided through joint planning with all Khulumani structures.
- Khulumani Western Cape shall go back to the Open Democracy Advice Centre and reinstitute an access to information case against the Department of Justice for their comprehensive policy on reparations including community reparations.

#### **11. International Day of the Disappeared to be commemorated annually on 31 August**

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- The 31<sup>st</sup> August is International Day for the Disappeared and Khulumani must hold commemorations to recognise people who disappeared during political violence.
- The Media shall be used to release related information and to indicate a way forward to find and recognize these freedom fighters.
- The names of the Disappeared shall be included on the Wall of Remembrance at Freedom Park.

**12. Mortuaries to be lobbied to do research on the names and graves of the disappeared**

- Mortuaries must be challenged to do thorough research on disappeared people who were not collected by their families, as to identify when they died and where they were buried.

**13. Perpetrators will be encouraged to work with Khulumani in re-building the lives of survivors**

- Perpetrators will be encouraged to come forward with information about their involvement in political killings in the past, to enable victims to finalise their situations and to find some peace and healing through the full disclosure of the truth.
- Former Minister of Law and Order Mr Vlok promised the Mamelodi Mothers to influence other perpetrators of the security forces to come forward to meet with victims and families.
- Eugene De Kok, former apartheid police force perpetrator has promised to work with Khulumani to help re-build the lives of survivors and relatives of the victims of political violence.

**14. Reconciliation shall be promoted between victims and perpetrators on local level**

- Both victims and perpetrators of the past have the right to become members of Khulumani.
- Local workshops shall be held with assistance from the appropriate partner organisations to promote reconciliation between victims and perpetrators from different political organisations.
- Khulumani shall collect the stories of both victims and perpetrators involved in the political violence of the past and promote reconciliation through story-telling, plays etc.

**15. Project plans on local level shall be forwarded to the NSC for assistance**

- Khulumani members on local level shall forward their projects plans to the National Steering Committee to be assisted with planning and implementation.

**16. Khulumani shall transform itself into a Human Rights Movement in South Africa**

- Khulumani must increasingly focus on all the Human Rights issues of its members and not limit itself to issues related to apartheid atrocities.
- Khulumani shall re-build the lives of the survivors and relatives of the victims of political violence in South Africa and restore their dignity, and stand for Human Rights.

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