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We hereby announce that CDE Mandela's visit to QwaQwa has been unilaterally cancelled by Chief Minister Mopeli and his cabinet. The visit was initially to include a joint rally to be addressed by our Deputy President and the Chief Minister. Then Dr Mopeli informed us that members of the Dikwankwetla were not ready for such a joint venture.

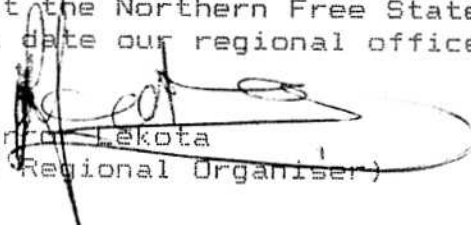
Although disappointed we compromised and maintained our commitment to such a joint rally when ever it would suit them.

But in view of the extensive preparations already done we decided on review to continue with the rally as an ANC affair on the same day and at the same venue. We later raised the matter with Dr Mopeli and his colleagues but they balked at this suggestion.

Finally we offered every conceivable compromise under the sun, including the personal intervention of our deputy president. But Chief Mopeli and his colleagues, in the party and government capacities refused the ANC its democratic right to hold a rally in Qwa QWA. At this stage it is impossible to move the rally to a different venue.

We therefore appeal to our members, supporters and fraternal organisations and their members to cancel their plans to travel to QWA QWA this weekend. We extend sincere apologies on behalf of our Deputy President and our regional executive committee for the disappointment and all inconvenience caused to them.

We reiterate the firm commitment of the Deputy President to visit the Northern Free State region in the very near future and at a date our regional office will announce soon.


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