

AGENDA PROPOSAL, COSG NATIONAL CONFERENCE, MARCH 1989PURPOSE:

1. To clarify the role of COSG in the current political context and within the broad anti-war movement;
2. To make appropriate practical and structural arrangements to enable COSG to work effectively;
3. To build COSG unity.
4. To provide a forum and networking opportunity for people doing anti-war work in general.

NUMBERS: maximum 100

FRIDAY

- 17h00 Registration  
 18h00 *Supper*  
 19h30 I Welcome, agenda overview, expectations, "Ice-breaker" games.  
 Summary of recent CO and anti-war developments.  
 2100 *Tea and coffee etc.*

SATURDAY

- 08h00 *Breakfast*  
 08h45 Agenda review - - agreement on agenda.  
 II Overview of the current military and political scene in South Africa.  
 10h00 *Tea and coffee*  
 10h30 III Evaluation of the anti-war movement, in the light of II.  
 IV Specifically, what contribution can COSG make in the anti-war movement?  
 13h00 *Lunch and free time*  
 15h30 *Tea and coffee*  
 16h00 IV Working Groups:  
 1. Media and CO Newsletter/s.  
 2. Prisoner support (including individual CO support groups, and the questions of remission and political prisoner status).  
 3. International CO Day, May 15 1989.  
 4. COSG "public relations", including publicity, contact with other organisations, international contact etc..  
 5. Exile.  
 6. Changing the law.  
 7. Alternative service.  
 8. Other (perhaps working groups will emerge from session III).  
 18h00 *Supper*  
 19h00 V "Popular Parliament"  
 21h30 VI *Music, videos, games etc*

SUNDAY

- 08h00 *Breakfast*  
 09h00 VII Working Group reports, recommendations.  
 10h30 *Tea and coffee*  
 11h00 VII continued.  
 13h00 *Lunch*  
 14h00 VIII Matters arising.  
 15h30 *TEA AND COFFEE, END.*

NOTES

1. Regional reports will be written (2 pages maximum). These are to be sent to Durban COSG (P.O. Box 2861, Durban, 4000) by March 6 and will be distributed at the conference.
2. A report on proposed COSG structures and finances will be prepared before the conference, and will be put to the plenary on Sunday morning.