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CRL RIGHTS COMMISSION

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INTRODUCTION

TEN YEARS
OF
THE ADOPTION
OF
THE CONSTITUTION
OF
THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH
AFRICA

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CONSTITUTION & CRL RIGHTS

- The Bill of Rights
- Human identity,
- Human dignity
- Equality

CULTURALLY, RELIGIOUSLY,
LINGUISTICALLY DIVERSE
NATION

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Mandate

Promote and protect
the rights of cultural,
religious and linguistic
communities

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ROLE/FUNCTIONS

- Research and Policy
Development,
- Education,
- Investigation and Conflict
Resolution,
- Establishment and recognition
of community councils


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VISION


- Contribute
meaningfully and
constructively to
social
transformation and
nation-building for
the attainment of a
truly united South
Africa



MISSION

1. Promote and develop


peace, friendship, humanity, tolerance and national unity among cultural, religious and linguistic communities; 7



MISSION.....

2. Monitor compliance by the state and civil society


with its (CRL Commission mandate); 8



Mission....

3. Be a channel of communication


between the state and communities; 9



Mission....

4. Mediate inter-community conflict


situations and facilitate harmonious co-existence; 10



Mission....

5. Facilitate the development of programmes

that foster sensitivity, respect and understanding for cultural, religious and linguistic diversity; 11



Mission....

6. Lobby government departments and legislative authorities

on issues concerning the rights of cultural, religious and linguistic communities 12

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OBJECTS

- Object 1: **Respect**
- Object 2: **Peace and friendship**
- Object 3: **Diminished Heritage**
- Object 4: **Establishment and registration of Community Councils**

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PROGRAMMES

- Program 1: **Public Education & Awareness**
 - CRL Dialogue
 - CRL Youth Dialogue
 - CRL Youth Democracy Program (residential activity)
 - CRL Gender Dialogue
 - CRL Diaries – a dialogue

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PROGRAMS

- Program 2: **Research and Policy Development**
 - Language in Education;
 - Rites of Passage
 - Equality of Religions
 - Marriages and the Bill of Rites
 - Land and Spirituality

• Interviews/Data Collection
• Analysis
• CRL Rights to protect
• Promotion & Protection Plan

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PROGRAMS

- Program 3: **Investigation and Conflict Resolution (strategy)**

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Complaints Analysis

Imbalance- Religion and Culture higher

- Religion
- Culture
- Language


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Urban-Rural Analysis

- More Urban complaints about culture and religion
- All linguistic complaints - urban

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Provincial analysis

- Greatest number from Gauteng

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PROGRAMS

- Program 4

Flagship/events

- Conferences
- Seminars/Colloquia
- Celebrations/Commemorations
- Diminished Heritage Leaders
 - Traditional Role of Community
 - The Traditional Ntamba Church
 - The Khoisan – Self Determination
 - Traditional cultural & religious rituals of burial and reburial
 - Dress Code
 - Youth Debate - Grahamstown

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PROGRAMS

- Program 5
- Human Resources
 - Organisational Structure
 - Population size
- Audited Financial Statements

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2006/7- WIP

- Celebration of Ten Years of Democracy (a cooperative effort)
- Diversity Day & Africa Day
- Africa Human Rights (21/10)
- International Human Rights Day (10/12)
- Public Hearings – Initiation-Circumcision

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BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

- *Less programmes*
- All programmes in few communities,
- Few programmes e.g research & investigations
- Limited community involvement
- Limited involvement of CCs
- *Limited impact on communities*

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