

ANGOLAN PROBLEMFORMATION OF A MILITARY ALLIANCE AND CREA-  
TION OF A UNIFIED MILITARY COMMAND FOR THE  
ANGOLAN LIBERATION FIGHTERS

My point of view, which incidentally reflects the views of my colleagues in other independent African States who are equally gravely concerned as you do, with the situation in Angola, is that the present Angolan problem is not an ideological one. It is an armed conflict in which the strength of the two combatants; i. e. the Portuguese and the Angolan is not equal from military point of view.

This being the case, it becomes highly imperative, in the supreme interests of the Angolan masses who are ~~xxxx~~ at this very moment being slaughtered and subjected to all forms of atrocities and brutalities by the Portuguese aggressors, that immediate ways and means should be devised whereby those of you are responsible for the survival and welfare of the masses can engage the enemy and liquidate it utterly and completely.

My view as already explained to you is that the only practical and effective way of prosecuting the Angolan war successfully lies in the consolidation of all the nationalist forces.

MILITARY ALLIANCE AND  
UNIFIED MILITARY COMMAND

This can be done by (a) the formation of a new Military Alliance by the three major political organisations and (b) the creation of a new Unified Military Command which should assume absolute control of, and take full responsibilities for, the entire Angolan Fighting Forces. This Unified Military Command will have nothing to do with the internal politics of the various political organisations, but will concern itself solely and exclusively with the effective and expeditious prosecution of war.

COMPOSITION OF THE UNIFIED  
MILITARY COMMAND

The new Unified Military Command will comprise representatives of the three main political organisations - U.P.A., D.P.A. and M.P.L.A. - either nominated or elected by their respective parties.

To enable quick decisions and prompt actions to be taken, it is desirable that the number of persons constituting the new Unified Military Command be limited to say nine. Thus each of the three main political organisations will have a representation of three members.

ALLEGIANCE OF THE MEMBERS OF  
THE COMMAND

Members of the Command will owe allegiance to no other party or parties but to the Unified Military Command on which they serve. They will, however, report from time to time to their respective political leaders regarding general assistance received and the progress of the war.

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M. P. L. A.

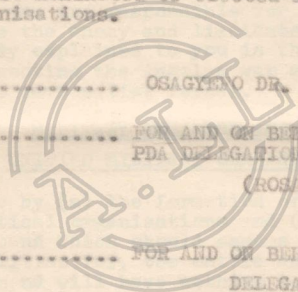
CHANNEL OF ASSISTANCE

The new Unified Military Command will be the only recognised body through which all financial and military assistance from Independent States will be channelled.

NATIONAL COUNCIL

There will be set up over and above the new Unified Military Command a National Council. It will be the duty of the National Council to give direction to, and review from time to time the activities of, the Military Command.

As in the case of the Unified Military Command, the National Council will also comprise nominated or elected representatives of the three major political organisations.



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