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ETHNIC COMMUNITIES COUNCIL QUESTIONNAIRE OF AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS.

SECTION B.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVES AND GOALS OF THE COMMITTEE.

The main objects and goals of the committee are as follows;

1. To promote the teaching of the Slovenian Language and culture.
2. To provide a backup for the Slovenian classes held at the Saturday School of Community Languages.
3. To co-ordinate the work of the Slovenian Ethnic Schools. :
4. To organise an Intensive Teacher Training Course in the teaching of the Slovenian Language.

BACKGROUND AND ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE.

The committee was founded on 29th June 1977. It represents the united interests of the Slovenian Ethnic Schools.

SLOVENSKO DRUŠTVO

TRICLAV COMMUNITY CENTRE

ST. RAPHAEL'S SLOVENE MISSION MARYLANDS.

and also ~~the~~ ^{the} SLOVENIAN GRADUATES ASSOCIATION ~~and also the Slovenian Graduates Association~~

It comprises of two delegates from each organisation as well as the teachers of the Slovenian Language.

The office bearers are as follows:

Miss Maida Mauric (President)

Mr. Valerian Jonko C.F.M. (Vice-President)

Mr. Alfred Breznik (Secretary)

Mr. Virgil Perfolya (Treasurer)

1. To provide a liaison for all Slovenian Teachers.
2. To provide resource materials required as backup to Saturday School of Community Language Classes.
3. To organise the availability of an acceptable Slovenian Language Course Syllabus.
4. To participate in the activities of the Ethnic Communities Council with particular interest in the Education Sub-Committee of the E.C.
5. To deal with all correspondence related to the above matters.

I am a Science teacher at Cabramatta High School. I was born in Australia but my parents are from Slovenia. I didn't have the opportunity to learn the Slovenian language at a school, merely at home and through friends. So I feel that such an opportunity should be made available by the N.S.W. Education Department.

Early next year, the State Government is opening the Saturday School of Community Languages to be conducted in a number of regions in Sydney. It is highly probable, that Slovenian will be one of the languages taught.

In order to make this possible, the names and addresses of students who would definitely be interested in attending such classes are required.

I hope that most young people listening, of high-school age, would be interested in learning Slovenian, and will take up this opportunity, to become a student of the language and also inform other friends who may be interested.

You can obtain an application form from any of the following three centres:

Triglav Community Centre
Slovene Association Sydney
and St. Raphael's Centre, Slovene Mission - Merrylands.

This information is urgently needed.

Speaking also on behalf of the Slovenian Schools' Committee, we look forward to hearing from you very soon.

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(Nature of the organization)

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(Full name or the authorised officer)

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(Address)

being _____
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OSNUTEK OKROZNICE SLOVENSKIM ORGANIZACIJAM

S stalisca slovenske skupnosti je Slovenski solski odbor v Sydneyu gotovo najbolj uspela slovenska ustanova. Z njegovo ustanovitvijo in delovanjem smo Slovenci dokazali, pred vsem sebi, da smo vkljub ideoloskim in politicnim razlikam zmozni slozno delati v prid slovenske skupnosti.

Razlog za ta uspeh je treba pripisati dejstvu, da so clani Slovenskega solskega odbora dosledno spostovali nacelo, da predstavljajo slovensko skupnost samo v pogledu solstva. Po pravilih Slovenskega solskega odbora ima vsak delegat ustanovnih organizacij pravico, da da veto katerikolemu sklepu solskega odbora. Do sedaj se se noben delegat ni posluzil te pravice iz enostavnega razloga, da ni bilo nikoli potrebno.

Globoko v svojem srcu si vsak Slovenec zeli, da bi bili Slovenci slozni in enotni in da ne bi bilo preprirov med nami. Kar zadeva preprirov, smo zadnja leta precej napredovali. Meddrustvena nasprotja je nadomestilo zdravo tekmovanje. Ze verjetno je, da je Slovenski solski odbor ze s samim svojim obstojem precej pripomogel k takemu razvoju.

Kar zadeva enotnosti pa prihajamo vsi pocasi do spoznanja, da ni toliko bistveno, da smo si enotni v vsaki stvari, dokler smo si enotni v vaznih zadevah.

Solstvo je ena tistih zadev, v katerih smo si enotni. Ce si vzamemo cas in malo pobrskamo, bomo gotovo odkrili se druga polja, na katerih smo si lahko enotni. Potrebne pa so skupne meddrustvene ustanove, kot je solski odbor, da enotnost na drugih poljih pride do izraza in obrodi sad.

Tudi ni potrebno, da taka druga polja iscemo z veliko lucjo. Eno teh polj se nam naravnost vsiljuje; namrec ustanova, ki bi imela za nalogo, da pripravi in vzdrzuje popis Slovencev, nakak slovenski statistichni urad ali etnografska pisarna.

Slovenski solski odbor ima velike tezave, ker nima polnega seznama slovenskih solskih otrok. Kako naj se obrne na starse, ce ne ve za otroke in ce nima naslovov. Pa to ni edina tezava.

Ves cas svojega obstoja je moral solski odbor improvizirati ucne moci, ker je manjkalo kvalificiranih uciteljev. Pritisk na obstojece ucitelje in uciteljice je bil nevzdrzen ker so bili preobremenjeni. Na sreco je odbor po nakljucju pred kratkim nasel dve novi in dobro kvalificirani uciteljici, ki sta pripravljene sodelovati. Gotovo je se nekaj kvalificiranih uciteljev in uciteljic slovenkega jezika, ki ne vedo za Slovenski solski odbor in odbor ne za njih. Neumno je, da se mora odbor zanasati na sreco, ko bi z malo truda lahko imeli na razpolago seznam vseh.

To ni vse. Tako federalne kot drzavne oblasti mnogokrat dajejo na razpolago denarna sredstva za razlicne

svrhe. Solski odbor in posamezne organizacije bi dostikrat lahko dobile večjo pomoč, če bi lahko dale oblastem boljše statistične podatke.

Solski odbor ni edina ustanova, ki je prikrajšana, ker nima podatkov. Pred meseci je Etnični radio razdeljeval vprasalne pole, ki jih Slovenci nismo mogli izpolniti z zanesljivimi podatki, ker jih enostavno nismo imeli. Od podatkov pa odvisi, koliko radijskih ur bomo Slovenci imeli.

Predstavniki drugih etničnih skupin so poznani, da napihujejo stevilo svojih sonarodnjakov. Oblasti to vedo in jemljejo njihove statistične podatke z veliko rezervo. Nasa slovenska narava je pa proti pretiravanju. In zakaj naj bi, če z malo truda lahko pripravimo točne podatke in njihovo verodostojnost dokazemo.

Slovenski solski odbor je iniciator pobude za popis Slovencev, ker je pac najbolj prizadet. Clani odbora pa ne bi radi, da bi tak popis bil v okviru delovanja solskega odbora. Prvic, ker nima sredstev, in drugic, si ne mara zadeti naloge, ki bi bila lahko kocljiva.

Nasi ljudje so nezaupljivi, vcasih upraviceno in vcasih ne tako upraviceno. Solski odbor je predragocena ustanova, da bi si nakopala nezaupanje s tveganem podvigom. Takega dela se lahko uspesno loti samo ustanova, ki ima za to poseben mandat.

Taka ustanova bo moralo imeti ustavo, ki bo zagotovila, da podatki ne padejo v neprave roke, ali pa da se izrabljajo v komercialne svrhe.

Ceprav smo lahko gotovi, da bodo pri zbiranju podatkov pomagali mnogi nasi rojaki brezplačno, bodo za popis stroški mnogo vecji, kot so za solski odbor, ker drzavne oblasti placujejo ucitelje vsaj za ucne ure, medtem ko bo morala statistična pisarna biti vsa v nasi lastni reziji.

Verjetno bo se najceneje, ce si predvidena statistična pisarna nabavi mikro-komputer, ki bo prihranil mnogo pisarniskega dela. Vprasanje niso samo popis in sezname. Na primer, ce nas kdo vprasa: "Koliko je Slovencev starih nad petinsdeset let?" Komputer odgovori na tako vprasanje v secundah in tudi napravi seznam v kakrsnemukoli redu je potreben. Ali pa: "Koliko je dvanajstletnih otrok?" Noben problem.

Med Slovenci je nekaj strokovnjakov in izvedencev na tem polju, za katere smo lahko gotovi, da bodo radi priskocili na pomoc, ne samo pri izbiri opreme, temvec tudi pri pripravi programa.

Slovenski solski odbor se obraca na vse slovenske organizacije v tej drzavi, da zadevo premislijo in nam svoje misljenje sporocijo. Tudi je zazeljeno, da je vse njihovo clanstvo o predlogu informirano.

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MATURE
V N.S.W.

OB MATURI IZ SLOVENŠČINE
v Avstraliji – Sydney 1988

Slovenski Šolski Odbor za N.S.W.

Darovali:
SLOVENSKO DRUŠTVO SYDNEY
SLOVENSKI KLUB TRIGLAV
SLOVENSKO AKADEMSKO DRUŠTVO
SLOVENSKO NARODNO DRUŠTVO