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**The General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity presents its compliments to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of all Member States and has the honour to inform them that the Government of the Republic of South Africa has decided to present the candidature of Dr. Nyameko Barney Pityana for election as one of the members of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights which will be filled during the forthcoming 33rd Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government.**

**Attached hereto is copy of the note addressed to the General Secretariat by the Embassy of the Republic of South Africa in Ethiopia together with the curriculum vitae of Dr. Nyameko Barney Pityana.**

**The General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of all Member States of the assurances of its highest consideration.**

**Addis Ababa, 28 April, 1997**

**TO:THE MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN/EXTERNAL  
AFFAIRS OF ALL OAU MEMBER STATES**

**SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY  
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**

The Embassy of the Republic of South Africa presents its compliments to the General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity and has the honour to submit the name of the South African candidate for the membership of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights.

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Human Rights Commission.**

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**Enclosed herewith is the Curriculum vitae of Dr. N.B Pityana.**

The Embassy of the Republic of South Africa avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the General Secretariat of the Organization of African Unity the assurances of its highest consideration.

**Addis Ababa, 23 April, 1997**

**The General Secretariat of the  
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**EDUCATION**

**University of Cape Town, Rondebosch 7700, Cape:  
1995 PHD in religious studies  
thesis topic; beyond transition; the evolution of  
theological method in South Africa - a cultural  
approach**

**University of Oxford Ripon College Cuddesdon:  
1983 certificate in theology  
submitted research essay in Christian ethics:  
"Medical ethics and the Security Laws of SA:  
a sequel to the death of Steve Biko"**

**University of London King's College  
1982 Hons.BD  
Major subjects: Philosophy of Religion and Doctrine**

**University of South Africa:  
1976 Proc  
Major subjects: Private Law and Mercantile Law**

**1975 BA  
major subjects: English and Political Science**

## **PROFESSIONAL**

1995 Admitted as an attorney of the Supreme Court of South Africa  
1983 Ordained Priest, Church of England Diocese of Oxford  
1992 Ordained Deacon, Church of England Diocese of Oxford  
1977 Practice & Procedure Examinations of the Law Society of the Cape of Good Hope

## **HONOURS/AWARDS:**

1996 DD Honoris Causa  
Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, USA  
Flowshares Peace Award, USA

## **FURTHER TRAINING**

1988 French Language Course (Version Française, Nice)  
1987 Ministry, Management & Administration Course (Diocese of Birmingham)  
1983 Religious Broadcasting (BBC, London)  
1982 Hospital Chaplaincy Course (Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford)

## **EMPLOYMENT**

1 October 1995 the Human Rights Commission  
Chairperson  
1 January 1993-30 September 1995  
Senior Research Officer, Research Institute on Christianity in South Africa  
The University of Cape Town, Department of Religious Studies  
  
1 May 1988-31 December 1992  
Director; Programme of combat racism,  
the World Council of Churches, Geneva  
  
1 April 1985-30 April 1988  
Vicar; the Parish of Immanuel Highters Heath,  
Birmingham;

**1 July 1982-30 March 1985**  
**Assistant Curate; the Ecumenical, Parish of**  
**Woughton-on-the-green, Milton Keynes;**

**1 January 1974-August 1978**  
**Articled Clerk; D Kondile & Somyalo, Attorneys,**  
**Port Elizabeth;**

**July 1970-March 1973**  
**Secretary General; the South African Students'**  
**Organization**

## **POSITIONS**

**1996**Trustee, Microprojects Programme Trust  
Member, International Council for Human Rights Policy

**1995**Referee, Ruman Sciences Research Council  
Programme on Global Change & Social  
Transformation

**1993**Editor, the South African outlook, an Ecumenical Monthly Journal  
Associate Editor, South African  
Journal of Theology  
Trustee, Social Change Assistance Trust  
Member, Advisory Board on Theological Education  
Church of the Province of Southern Africa (Anglican)  
Member, Commission on International Affairs,  
All Africa Conference of Churches, Nairobi  
Member, South African Academy of Religion  
Member, Theological Society

**1990/1993** Board Member, International Alert

**1985/1988**Birmingham Diocesan Advisory Committee  
Black Ministries  
Co-ordinator, Ministerial Formation  
Programme for Black Ordinands,  
Dioceses of Birmingham & Coventry

**1987**ACCM Consultant on Assessment of

## **Courses in Anglican Theological Colleges**

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**1985/1988** Member, Birmingham Diocesan Synod  
Bishop's Council  
Archbishop's Inspectorate on Theological  
Colleges, ACCM  
Governor, Hollywood School, Birmingham  
Commissioner, World Council of  
Churches' programme to combat racism

**1984/1988** Member of Steering Committee for  
proposed centre for Black Theological Studies later established as the Simon of  
Cyrene Theological Institute in London

**1984/85** Oxford Diocesan Working Group on South  
Africa

**1983/1986** Education Committee of Catholic  
Institute for International Relations

**1983/1985** Member, Oxford Diocesan Synod

**1983/1985** Oxford Diocesan Advisory Group on Mission Milton Deynes  
Council for the disabled

**1983/1985** Chair, Milton Keynes Council for racial equality

**1982** Church of England Board for social responsibility working group on  
South Africa

**1978** British Council of Churches' Working Party on South Africa

**1979/1988** Christian Concern for South Africa Christians Aware Group

**1970/1971** President, South African Students' Organization (SASO)

**1969/1970** President, Anglican Students' Federation

**1968/1969** Regional Director, University Christian Movement.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

**1971** Edited with introduction, solidarity and creativity;  
a SASO Publication, Durban;

**"The Politics of Powerlessness"** in D H VAN DER Merwe & David Welsh  
(EDS); Student perspectives on South Africa; David Philip,  
Cape Town;

**1972** "Black theology & Black Consciousness in Basil Moore (ED)  
Black Theology: the South African Voice;  
C Hurst & Co, London,

**1979** "Black Consciousness and Social Research" in John Rex (ED):  
Apartheid and Social Research; UNESCO, Paris,

**1982** Introduction to War and Conscience in South Africa;  
the Churches and Conscientious Objection; CIR, London.

**"From south africa to England: Conflict and Reconciliation in the  
'80's;**

A CCSA Pamphlet, London

**1985** "Biblical reflections on one World";  
ECRJ Journal, Birmingham.

**1986** Black Clergy in the Church of England; Report of a Survey" in Ken  
Leech (ED); Anglicans and Racism, BSR-CIO, London.

**1987** "Steve Biko: in perspective"; Introduction to Steve Biko: I write  
What I like: Penguin, London.

**1989** "Towards a Black theology for Britain" in Anthony Bervey (ED):  
Theology in the City; SPCK, London

**1990** "The theological foundations of Action for Racial Justice" in for the  
record: PCR Papers 1989; WCC Geneva and in Crucible;  
Church of England and Board for Social Responsibility,

London.

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1991 Entry on racism in the ecumenicadictionary; WCC/Eerdmans, Geneva.

Co-editor with Mamphela Ramphele, Malusi Mpumlwana Lindy Wilson; bounds of possibility: the legacy of Biko and Black Consciousness; David Philip, Cape Town and Zed books, London, articles contributed to the volume: "Medical Ethnics and South Africa's Security Laws: a sequel to the death of Steve Biko" "Revolution within the Law?"

3 Biblical and theological reflections on "National Churches and the Universal Faith" in occasional paper 20; National Minorities and Religious Identity; Conference of European Churches, Geneva.

1992 Entry (With S. Udqdesku) on Racism in Encyclopaedia of the German Churches.

" A stake in the future" Address to ICCO Conference, Amstelveen, Holland published in Ecoes; a Magazine on Justice, Peace & Creation, Geneva.

" The light and shadows of Mission" published in JTSA, December 1992 and as Pamphlet by USPG Thinking Mission series, London.

"Reflections of a returning exile" in a Book of Hope; David Philip, Cape Town.

1993 "The Justice of God and the Ecumenical Vision"; 3 Mar Athanaius Memorial Lectures, Kottayam, South India.

"Ecumenical Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity" in Racism and Ethnicity in the Region of the Baltic Sea: Report of the Conference sponsored by WCC and Church of Sweden

Introduction to the Role of Religion in the Transformation of Apartheid,



**"Intellectuals and the future of South Africa": the 1st Ruth First Memorial lecture, University of the Western Cape, Belleville (Mayibuye Centre)**

**1994 "Amidst the tumult of human voices: the South African Churches' Response to the Special Fund" in Pauline WEBB (ED): the long struggle: South Africa and the World Council of Churches 1960-1993; WCC, Geneva.**

**1994 "Black theology" in John de Cruchy & Charles Villa-Vicencio (EDS): Doing Theology in South Africa Vol 1; David Philip, Cape Town.**

**"Natural Law Ethics" in Charles Villa-Vvicencio & John de Gruche (EDS): doing Ethics in South Africa vol 2**

**"Christian Witness and the Unity of the Churches" in the International review of Mission; W A Saayman (Guest Editor) January 1994.**

**1995 With Charles Villa-Vicencio (EDS): being Church in South Africa today; SACC, Johannesburg**

**"Minorities in Global Society" in Charles Villa-Vicencio & Carl Niehaus (EDS): Beyers Naude: a Festschrift; Human & Rossouw, Cape town.**

#### **SELECTED UNPUBLISHED PAPERS**

**1996 "Human Rights and Ethics of Responsibility"; A paper delivered at the International Bonhoeffer Congress, Cape Town, January**

**1996 4 Holy Week address for the Grahamstown Council of Churches; April 1-4 1996: Moral Leadership in time of transition**

**Human Rights and Ethics in South African Society; and address to the Department of Health & Welfare, Western Cape Provincial Government;**

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**Community Policing in a new South Africa; Opening address at Community Policing Workshop, Technikon SA, Johannesburg;**

**1995 Theological reflections on religion and culture;**

**Report of research visits to Brazil, Japan and the USA.**

**1994 "The Church and Culture; and Ecumenical Challenge" 3 lectures to Annual Conference of the South African Council of Churches, July 1994; published by SACC, Johannesburg and ESFS, Belleville, Cape**

**1993 "Ministry 2000" a paper read in Conference organized by the Advisory Board on Theological Education, CPSA, Modderfontein May 1993.**

**"The legacy of Soweto 1976", lecture at Waterford Kahlaba United World College, Swaziland.**

**"New challenges in theology "address to Annual Conference of Anglican Students' Federation, Kimberley, July 1993**

**"Black South African Literature and Social Transformation; a Theological Analysis" A paper read at Conference on global and Social Transformation organized by the Centre for Science Development, HSRC, Pretoria, November 1993.**

**1992 "Some Ecumenical Affirmations a on Ecclesiology" 3 addresses to Clergy Conference, Mar Thoma Church of Malabar, India**

**"Racism and the Future of Europe"; An occasional paper by WCCPCR, Geneva.**

**1991 "The Decolonization of the Imagination: Europe and its others"; paper delivered at International Conference, Amsterdam.**

**"Making Connections: Afro-Anglicans in the decade on Evangelism"**

**address to Annual Conference of the Union of Black  
Episcopalians, New Orleans.**

**ENDS.**

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ANNEX VI**

**Name: DR. Nyameko Barney Pityana  
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1997

Presentation of the candidature of Dr. Nyameko Barney Pityana for election as one of the members of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights filled during the 33rd Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government

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