

significantly above the minimum level required to meet their basic needs. In this context they should refer to the data on living costs regularly collected and analyzed by the University of South Africa (UNISA) and the University of Port Elizabeth (UPE). (See appendix for further details.) Pay based on the "Supplemented Living Level" for an average-sized family must be considered as the absolute minimum necessary and the Canadian Government strongly urges companies, taking into account the value of work performed in particular industries, to introduce minimum wages which substantially exceed this level at an early stage of their programmes for improving the terms of employment of their black employees.

- (c) In their continuing review of pay and wage structures companies should take particular note of the impact of inflation. Annual wage increases should offset the impact of this factor but, if the desired improvement in real wages is to be achieved, it cannot be the only factor to be reflected in the determination of wage increases.

5 Training and Promotion

- (a) The principle of equal pay for equal work would not mean much if black employees were kept in inferior jobs. Implementing the principle of equality of opportunity must also be given a high priority. Employers should therefore draw up an appropriate range of training schemes of a suitable standard to provide training for their black employees.
- (b) Companies should ensure that supervisory and management jobs and those requiring high technical qualifications are open to their black employees.

The aim should be, as a preliminary objective only towards the ultimate goal of a fair and balanced racial composition of the workforce, to fill fifty percent of all supervisory and management positions with employees other than those designated as white persons within a period of time which companies should clearly specify in their employment plans and development programmes.

- (c) Companies should, if possible, organize occupational training programmes for their black employees and help them to take advantage of other educational and occupational training programmes outside their places of work. Where required, companies should set up or use educational facilities to enable their black employees to benefit from more specialized training, and generally should support them and members of their families in their right of access to equal, integrated and universal educational facilities and opportunities.
- (d) Companies should make every effort to eliminate in practice any de facto restrictions based on custom on apprenticeships for black employees. They should ensure that employees of different racial groups can take part in training programmes without any form of segregation.
- (e) In general whether it is a matter of an imbalance in the racial composition of a company's workforce and staff or of such an imbalance at any of the different levels of management and workforce, companies should, in their forward planning, treat the need to correct this situation as matter of some urgency.

6 Fringe Benefits

- (a) In view of their social responsibilities, companies should concern themselves with the living conditions of their black employees and their families.
- (b) For this purpose, company funds could be set aside to provide benefits over and above those currently provided according to South African legislation:
 - providing complete social protection schemes for employees and their families (health, accident and unemployment insurance and old age pensions);
 - ensuring that their employees and their families have the benefit of adequate medical care;
 - assisting in the education of members of their families;