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Newsletters, documents and statements in 2000

**18 December 2000**
Press Statement : TAC Biozole equivalent to Pfizers diflucan saves lives produce, import and distribute generics.

**1 December 2000**
The minister of health reply to a letter sent by the AIDS Law Project on behalf of TAC in regard to mother-to-child transmission prevention. The Medicines Control Council granting a conditional Section 21 exemption on Biozole, the generic fluconazole imported by TAC. Public citizen releases detailed analysis of prescription drug industry. Cosatu resolution on HIV/AIDS.

**30 November 2000**
Urgent TAC press statement: MCC grants conditional section 21 exemption for generic Fluconazole!

**28 November 2000**
TAC press release in response to Pfizer and SA govt deal.

**19 November 2000**
TAC press release: MCC must grant a Section 21 exemption for generic Fluconazole.

**25 October 2000**
Joint press release statement in response to misleading press statements by political parties.

**17 October 2000**
TAC Announces the Christopher Moraka Defiance Campaign Against Patent Abuse.

**29 September 2000**

**8 September 2000**
President Mbeki denies that HIV causes AIDS in Time Magazine. Cosatu has condemned the goverment's AIDS policy. Article from the SA Labour Bulletin, June 2000. Botswana Govt Plans To Provide Free HIV/AIDS Drugs. Full transcript of the interview with the Minister of Health, Dr Tshabalala-Msimang and Radio 702 presenter, John Robbie where the Minister refused to acknowledge that HIV causes AIDS.

**30 August 2000**
Press Release in Response to Western Cape Government Statement to Extend MTCTP

**29 August 2000**
Statement by Western Cape Government Minister of Health

**23 August 2000**
Press Release in Response to Murder of Mpho Motloung

22 August 2000

9 August 2000
Transcript of Judge Cameron's speech at the TAC-MSF Treatment Access Conference. Constitutional Court hearing on pre-employment testing takes place on Friday. Clem Santer calls for access to treatment. An article by Mark Schoofs "How African Science Has Demonstrated That HIV Causes AIDS." CIPLA prices for Nevirapine.

4 August 2000
Christopher Moraka's Obituary by Sipho Mthathi

31 July
TAC Salutes the Sisulu Family

26 July 2000
A letter sent by TAC to the Minister of Health warning that legal action will be taken by August 18 if the minister does not make a commitment to mother-to-child transmission prevention by then. Submission sent by TAC to the Competition Tribunal with objections to the Glaxo Wellcome/Smithkline Beecham merger. Harvey Bale's letter that was sent to TAC.

17 July 2000

9 July 2000
Memorandum handed over at Global Call to March by TAC and Health-GAP

23 June 2000

6 June 2000
Burroughs Wellcome (Glaxo Wellcome) lies about their role in the development of AZT. NAPWA AGM from 9 to 11 June in Durban Coastlands Hotel. Article by Maureen Isaacson "There is no last word on Aids - minister." "Health minister ducks AIDS question - and thereby answers it" in the Sunday Morning Assessment. Article by the Independent News "ANC supports 'transparency on HIV/Aids'." ACT UP Memorandum.

June 2000
Global March Advertisement

24 May 2000
An article by TAC chairperson, Zackie Achmat, in response to the offer by the big 5 drug companies. A copy of a press release sent by ACT-UP, HEALTH ACTION INTERNATIONAL and MEDICINS SANS FRONTIERES in response to the announcement by the big 5 drug companies.
18 May 2000
TAC response to the offer by the big 5 drug companies in Geneva

18 May 2000
Call for Support for the Global March for HIV/AIDS Treatment (PDF)

9 May 2000

25 April 2000
How to endorse the call to march for the International AIDS conference in Durban, July 13, 2000. Ministry of Health press release on meeting with Pfizer over Diflucan. Endorsement of the Call to March from the Australian Council for Overseas Aid. An article from the National Institutes of Health documenting the evidence for the causal link between HIV and AIDS.

31 March 2000
TAC's press release, following Pfizer's statement on fluconazole

March 2000
TAC and Health-GAP Global Call to March for Treatment Access

4 February 2000
Open letter to the members of the National Assembly and the National Council of Provinces