AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS Phone: 834-5301/8, Third Floor, Munich Re Centre, 54 Sauer St., Johannesburg 2000. 22 October 1990

Dr W Blonk E.E.C BRUSSELS

Dear Dr Blonk

RE: LUTHULI CULTURAL WELFARE SERVICES, LONDON U.K.

We have received an urgent appeal for assistance from the Luthuli Services in London. They desperately need funds to support over 300 of our people who are studying at various Colleges / Universities in the U.K. These are political exiles who arrived in the U.K. from Tanzania, Zambia, Zibabwe, Angola, Mozambique etc. to pursue courses of study in Agriculture, Economics, Education, Administration, Management, Medicine, Engineering, Computers, Accountancy, Banking, Law, Government etc. in preparation for the day when they can play their proper role in the government of a free South Africa.

They need money for tuition fees, registration and examination fees, books, rent, clothes, food, transport, health care in some cases etc. Some of these people have dependants to support (i.e spouses and children). They each require approximately £ 10 000.00 per annum . You granted Luthuli services ECU 100,000.00 in 1989 to help support these people, so far, this year, you have not granted them anything.

In the meantime, the numbers of these exiles have increased, their needs have multiplied, and Luthuli's resources have dwindled. The resulting problem has now reached crisis proportions and unless help is forthcoming urgently, Luthuli will be unable to meet the many bills that are coming from Universities.

The students' demands may be abandoned, with serious and far reaching consequences for everybody. The ANC (which established Luthuli and help to train our people) cannot allow this situation to happen.

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We have a duty to do what we can to help in this crisis.

We, therefore, urge you as a matter of urgency to help Luthuli Services out of this dilema. We consider that this is so serious a situation that it should be given priority above other priorities. This is a measure of the seriousness with which we view this matter. Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

In order to expedite action on this matter, we request you to contact Nathaniel M. Masemola, Director, Luthuli Cultural and Welfare Services, 12A Golders Way, Goldiers Green, London, NW11 8JY, UK. Tel: 0944-81-209-0126. Fax No: 081-458-7382 for such additional information as may require.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and co-operation.

Yours sincerely

SECRETARY GENERAL

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