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Mr Otto Vibetti P O Box 50182 LUSAKA Zambia

21 October 1991

Dear Mr Vibetti

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 30 September, 1991.

The President has asked me to convey a message to you that he is taking the matter up with the Treasurer General comrade Nkobi.

Yours Sincerely

JESSIE DUARTE
Personal Assistant to
President

P O Box 50182 LUSAKA

15th April, 1992

Mr Tom Nkobi
The Treasurer General
South African National Congress
Shell Building
51 Plein Street
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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Dear Sir,

GONAKUDZINGNA - MAKENI

I refer to the above subject on which several correspondence has taken place without response from you personally.

I have had the opportunity to visit the property today and to my surprise, I found that a Mr Dobson Siatalimi, former Minister of Decentralisation in the UNIP Government, has moved on the property pending negotiation between him and yourselves. In all honesty Mr Nkobi, how on earth do you treat a fellow freedom fighter and colleague like this? You were the principal party to the negotiations and I did all what I did because I trusted that you would honour your word. I had raised the issue of re-possession of my property as soon as the events proved that the struggle in South Africa was nearing its end. It is now my intention to place a caveat on the property because I have an undiminished interest therein.

Please let me hear from you at your ealiest opportunity. I have indicated to re-imburse the ANC on any improvements made to the property if you so wish.

Yours faithfully,

O T Vibetti

20th April, 1992

Mr Nelson Mandela President National African Congress 51 Plain Street Johannesburg 2001 REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Dear Mr President,

PROPERTY NG SD/23/D/1/A OF FARM 689 LUSAKA, ALTAS GONAKUDZINGWA, MAKENI

Please refer to my communication to you of 30th September, 1991 and your reply dated 21st October, 1991 for which I thank you.

Mr President, It has come to my notice that the A N C has included this property amongst those that have been given to UNIP. This is a mistake as I have continued to have an undiminished interest in this property so amply stated in my letter to you.

Mr President, I have never been keen to take this matter to Court because the issue is so plain. It required or requires your personal decision in consultation with Mr Tom Nkobi. Consequently, I have decided to await for your reaction for one more month having to consider how busy you are. If I do not hear from you, I will then instruct my Lawyers to prepare a Caveat thereafter I will apply for a Court injunction restraining the ANC from giving away the property I rightfully and genuinely consider to be mine.

I really never wanted this form of action because the reporters will pick it up and will be blown up in the papers and then I will have opened the flood gates of injunctious or other court actions for such things as damage to property, non settlement of telephone bills, non payment of rent and all that. I have met quite a few people who have expressed such sentiments of regret.

Your Organisation has a lot of property you will be able to withdraw my property off UNIP and give them something else on which there's no claim.

Mr President, once more I appeal to you personally to intervene in this matter and that the property revert to me as originally negotiated. If this is not done, this means I shall file a claim of K17,000 invested in the property since 1974 at 50% fixed deposit. But is it really necessary that we should go to this extent? The objective for which I partially surrendered the property has been achieved, all that remains is that I should have my property back.

Grateful to hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours, sincerely,

OTTO VIBETTI