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TO: TONY TREW

FROM: O R TAMBO

PRESIDENT

DATE: 4/3/91

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A MESSAGE FROM O R TAMBO FOR PUBLICATION IN THE LAST
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We are about to publish the last issue of Focus on Political
Repression, in anticipation of the closure of IDAF at the
end of June. We would very much like to be able to publish in
that last issue a message from you on the role this
publication. It would be published along with a statement by
Bishop Trevor Huddleston as Chairman of the Council of
Trustees of IDAF. I enclose suggestions indicating the kind
of message we have in mind.

If you are able to let us have such a message, it should be
with us by Monday 3rd March

I hope that this will be possible,

Yours sincerely,

Amandla! Maatla!

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Tony Trew

Head of Research

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IDEAS FOR A MESSAGE FOR PUBLICATION IN

THE LAST ISSUE OF FOCUS, ALONGSIDE A STATEMENT FROM BISHOP TREVOR HUDDLESTON AS CHAIR OF THE IDAF TRUSTEES

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