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House of Commons,
London, S.W.1.

Lionel Forman, Esq.,
8 Park Avenue,
Cape Town, S.A.

18th March, 1958.

Many thanks for letting me see a copy of your new magazine.

It is not a question of being lazy or anything else - it's simply a question of vast arrears of work and long-promised articles elsewhere that make it impossible for me to send you a contribution. I am still doing articles for papers like the "New Statesman" on my visit to Africa, and I think it's more important for me to get people here roused to what's happening than to write you an esoteric little piece for your no doubt worthy project. I'm sorry, but I am sure you'll understand. In the meantime I'd be very grateful if you would keep me informed of developments at your end so I can do my utmost to back you all up.

Incidentally, I spoke at Southampton on Friday about the position in South Africa and the Chairman was so impressed by my eloquence that he spontaneously took a collection in support of the treason trial fund. There was an excellent response from the audience, and I hope to do this sort of thing all over the place, but it takes up all my spare time. So do send me any information you can to help me keep up the pressure.

With love,

Barbara

Barbara Castle.

P.S. I'm still hoping to persuade the "Pic" to send me out for the trial next month, but I think "Cassandra" of the "Mirror" wants to go and I don't think they'll send both.

P.P.S. Would you please tell your fellow-accused Mr. Nair that I've seen his charming wife and had a long chat with her. She came to lunch at the House and I hope to keep in touch with her and her sweet little infant.

Johannesburg,
20th November.

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Dear Lionel,

I have received the various reports you sent me regarding our friend's report on the Council Meeting. I had not seen his original reports but merely heard of their nature from Army. All I can say is, how low can a man go? Incidentally, your replies, particularly the second one, was excellent and I think he is going to have some difficulty in saving his face.

Did you receive that long letter I wrote you a few weeks ago? You make no mention of it in any of your letters etc so I don't know whether it reached you or not.

I finished exams last week, did O.K. except in persons about which I am feeling a little worried. We got a stinking paper and even O'Dowd doesn't think he got a distinction. Your class apparently had a terrible Delict Paper and all of them think they have plugged it! What you luckily missed you bastard!

I am writing to NG today regarding the Edinburgh Conference. It seems to me that complete abstention may not necessarily be the best thing. Don't you think it would be better for us to participate provided YOU can be there and put forward NUSAS line that IUS is only an instrument etc etc?

Sadie tells me that your Docs say that they can probably operate on you in about a year's time. With regard to your problem of whether or not you should stay on Joe and I have discussed it again in the light of the above and we both feel VERY STRONGLY that if there is any chance of all of you having an operation within the next year or two you must ~~remain~~ certainly remain there and DEFINITELY NOT come back until you have been fixed up. If you have any pangs of conscience or conflict just forget about it and don't be a bloody fool.

There is an SRC meeting on the 29th and that business regarding discrimination which I mentioned in my last letter will be coming up. Also we have now been invited to participate in the Van Riebeeck Festival so there will probably be one hell of a fight.

Otherwise it has been pretty ~~quite~~ quiet at varsity as it always is during exam time. We have been playing quite a lot of canasta in between swotting and through our enthusiasm we have actually been able to interest about four more groups who now play regularly. Not bad hey? I won 15/- from Joe the other night. How's your canasta going? I bet you lost to that newspaper chap you were going to play.

I will write again after the SRC meeting and let you know what happened.

Sincerely,

Harold
Harold Wolpe

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211 - FORMAN, Sarah
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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO

AMERICAN EMBASSY

25 Grosvenor Square,
London, W. 1.
February 12, 1952.

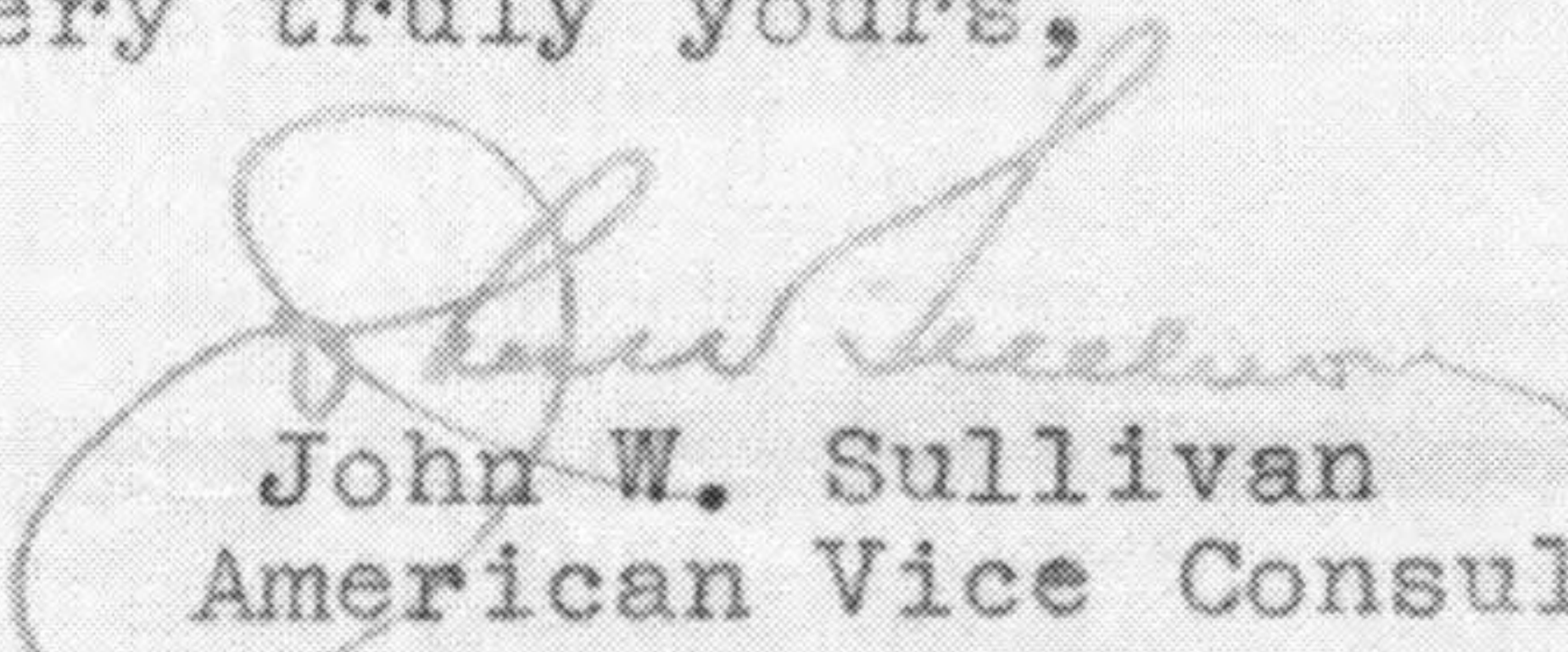
Mrs. Sarah Forman,
c/o Barclay's Bank, D.C. and O.,
1 Cockspur Street,
London. S.W.1.

Madam:

Reference is made to your pending application
for a nonimmigrant visa.

It is requested that you inform the Embassy
whether your son, Lionel, is applying for an American
visa, and if he is at present in this country.

Very truly yours,


John W. Sullivan
American Vice Consul

Not granted a visa -
See letter in reply to
S. Ross (last page)

MISC. C

Box 402 9.11.53

Dear Ladie and Lionel

I am sorry I could not meet you when you were leaving to say goodbye.

Joy told us that you nearly missed the train. So we hope that your journey had passed calmly with no more troubles and you all arrived in order.

Thank you for your present and accept these small things for you and little Lionel as a memory from us from Czechoslovakia

Your loving

Rusalka

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Thursday 14th Aug. 1952.

Dear Lionel,

Things are happening. Following mass riots last week on A.N.C., Indian Congress, Trade Union, Coloured & other people's organization offices, arrests have been made. All the people arrested are leaders in the Defiance Campaign & they are charged with furthering the objects of communism. Apparently about 20 people are to be arrested & so far the following are among those already arrested: Dadoo, Moroka, Mandela, Kathrada, Serube, Marks, Jones, Phillips, Seperepe. To-day the situation surrounds the University. As you will see from the enclosed Swindle Selva Miji & Harrison Matlana (Dorcas Smith rep. on S.R.C. when I was President) have been arrested.

It happened like this. Ward got about that a warrant was out for their arrest so Diggers @ Med-School organized a protest meeting for lunch time to-day. Toga took the chair because the Chairman was consulting with Gillman as to whether the meeting should be allowed to go on in view of an apparent ban from Ruika. (We are still not sure on this point.). Toga had

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Sir,

ACT 44 OF 1950.

With reference to your letter of the 30th
November, 1954, I enclose a copy of my letter of the
14th September, 1954 and have to advise you that your
representations should reach me within fourteen days
from the date hereof.

Yours faithfully,

LIQUIDATOR : ACT 44 OF 1950.

L. Forman, Esq.,
122 Broadway,
Bez. Valley,
JOHANNESBURG.

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P.O. Box 491
Johannesburg
7/87/58

Dear L. Forman.

I received your S.A. Socialist Review with great interest and have been studying it methodically ever since.

Some friends of the old political school are interested and have asked me for copies which I could not supply.

Addresses have been given to them to write.

Alfred Mahlangu c/o 1433 Orlando East P.O. Orlando JHB, is one of them. He is the chairman of the Orlando Advisory Board Committee. Solomon Mogomotsi c/o 9021B Elizabethville P.O. Phirima JHB is another.

A good number of others would appreciate having one.

I shall send my contribution later. Meanwhile I shall be glad if you send me the next issue. The two are well known for their militancy.

Sincerely Yours

B. Jantse

Office Saturday morning.

Dear Lionel,

I'm grinding words out one every thirty seconds these days and every article is sheer forced labour -- and sounds like it. On top of that there seems to be too much to cover this week and I'll have to take some home and finish it tomorrow night. So expect an air envelope.

The clothing slump is getting quite a thing and I've tried to say so. There are also pictures of the queues at the Unemployment offices to liven this up, and those are due in from Eli this morning but may only come tomorrow. So keep room for them. There are a number of points about the clothing industry crisis not made in this article, which I thought should stick to the facts and the demand for govt responsibility and action for those on slack pay. Other points are: the ~~Wages~~ special reasons for the clothing recession which are two mainly (1) the factories in uncontrolled areas that are undercutting and (2) off season dumping. Shall I follow up one of these weeks with an article that goes into these causes and traces the effects of lower wages in reserve factories which lower the total wage bill etc etc? Also we must do a big squeal, perhaps next week, on the plight of African unemployed and the £65 million in the Unemployment Fund which is one-third workers' money and is hardly being touched at all. → Can you do this from C.T. The brief survey of the unemployment position in other industries is probably far from the best we could do but was the most information we could dig up from telephone calls to industrial councils and unions. You might get other N.A. offices to augment with material from their areas.

GROUP AREAS. MP has complained that the Durban crowd is complaining that Yusuf D has been silent. He promised a statement for Monday morning. If it comes I'll wire it. You'll have lost of Durban group areas news this week, I expect. For that reason I haven't tried to write up this enclosed Race Relations picture of the Pretoria group areas proclamations. They are quite devastating in their effect as you'll see. He a good chap and work on them from your ~~wand~~. Perhaps you can reproduce the map, or a simpler version of it and let us make a fuss about Pretoria as well as Durban. By the way, CONTACT will be using this RR thing to write a group areas story but if you want to and can make anything of this, we can be a week ahead of them.

The incitement case speaks for itself.

There was another nasty train crash on the Orlando line and rioting by furious crowds last night. We haven't got on to that yet but will, so expect a story by wire on Monday.

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28/7/1954 (Kau)

L. Forman, Esq.,
Mildene Flats,
11 Marais Road,
Sea Point,
CAPE TOWN.

Sir,

ACT 44 OF 1950.

I have to invite your attention to the contents of my letters of the 18th September 1950, and 21st February 1951 in the above connection addressed to yourself and your attorneys, Messrs. Berrange & Wasserzug respectively, and which were left in abeyance owing to your absence overseas. For your convenience, the contents of the second letter giving particulars of the allegations against you are appended hereunder:-

".....I have to advise you that the allegations against your client are:-

- (1) that he has been a member of the Communist Party of South Africa since 1945;
- (2) that he was a National Committee member of the Young Communist League of South Africa during 1946;
- (3) that he was a floating member of the Cape District Committee of the Communist Party of South Africa and that he attended meetings of that committee on the 9th September 1946 and 15th September 1946;
- (4) that he was appointed a member of the Education sub-committee of the Cape District Committee of the Communist Party of South Africa on 14th April 1946;
- (5) that he has addressed Communist Party meetings in Johannesburg and Cape Town during 1947, 1948, 1949 and 1950".

You are accordingly now afforded a further opportunity of making representations against the inclusion of your name on the list which I am compiling in terms of Section 4(10) of the Act, and any representations which you may

Box 202 9.11.53

Dear Sadie and Lionel.

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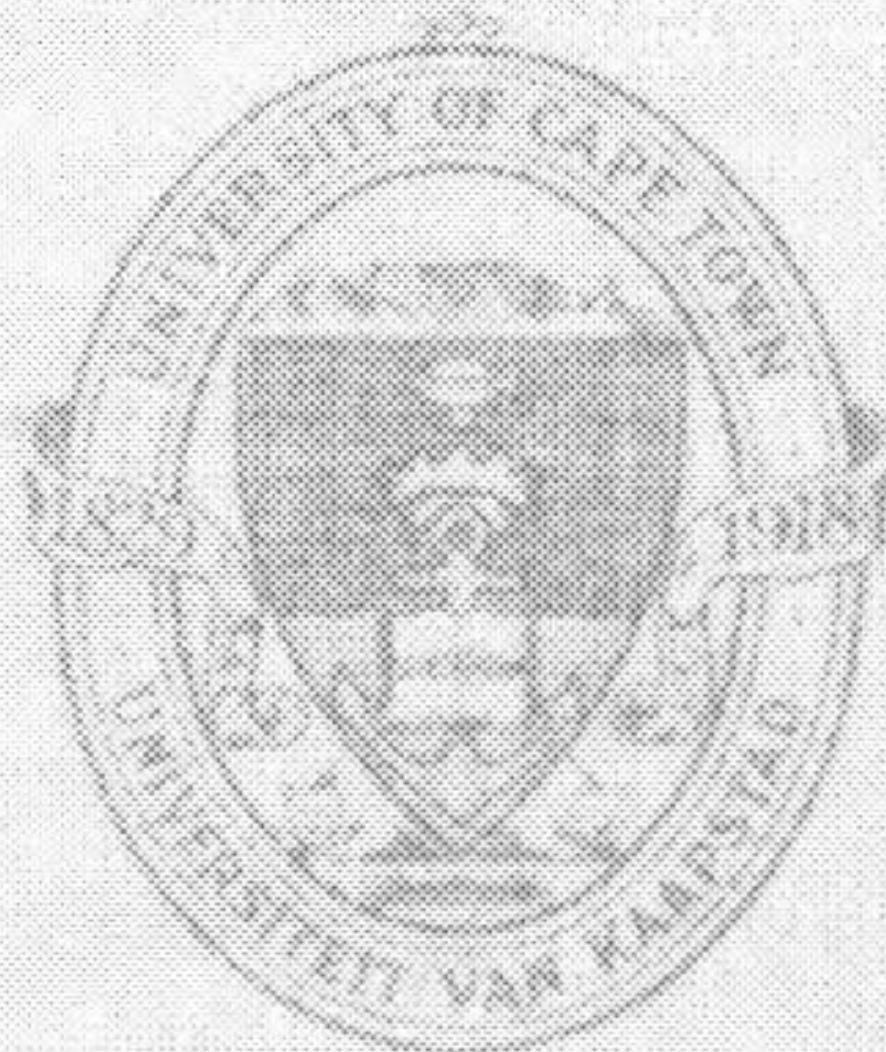
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UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN

(WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED THE SOUTH AFRICAN COLLEGE)



DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

30th September 1958.

Dear Mr Forman,

Professor Mandelbrote has asked me to reply to your letter of 26th September on his behalf.

We are both very glad that you appreciate the significance of the points made by us; and on the basis set out in your letter we are now willing to recommend your registration as a Ph.D. candidate.

Please apply formally to the Registrar (copy to Professor Mandelbrote) for registration as a Ph.D. candidate in the department of history, setting out your academic ^{qualifications} ~~publications~~ and the title of your ^{proposed} ~~prepared~~ thesis.

We very much hope that your work will be crowned with success.

Yours sincerely,

L.M. Thompson

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NOTICE IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH (e) OF
SUBSECTION ONE OF SECTION FIVE OF THE
SUPPRESSION OF COMMUNISM ACT, 1950 (ACT
NO. 44 OF 1950), AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS your name appears on the list in the custody of
the officer referred to in section eight of the abovementioned
Act;

NOW THEREFORE, I, CHARLES ROBBERTS SWART, in my ca-
pacity as Minister of Justice for the Union of South Africa, by
virtue of the powers conferred upon me by paragraph (e) of sub-
section one of section five of the Suppression of Communism Act,
1950 (Act No. 44 of 1950), as amended, do hereby prohibit you
from attending, during a period of five years as from the date
that this notice is delivered or tendered to you, any gathering
in any place within the Union of South Africa or the territory
of South-West Africa.

Given under my hand at *Brandsfort* on this
the *27th* day of *July*, 1952.

C. R. Swart
MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

TO:

Michael Forman,
8, Port Lane,
Camps Bay,
CAPE TOWN.

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THE TRANSVAAL PEACE COUNCIL

Chairman :
REV. D. C. THOMPSON

37 NEVADA COURT
21 Von Brandis St.
JOHANNESBURG

Box 1
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ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO BE SENT TO P.O. BOX 525, JOHANNESBURG

28th March 1952.

Mr Lionel Forman,
International Union of Students,
Voitesska 12,
Prague 2,
CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

Dear Friend,

The Transvaal Peace Council has agreed to ask you to represent it at the International Economic Conference to be held in Moscow from April 3rd to 10th 1952. Enclosed is your letter of credentials.

Copies of your letter of credentials have been sent to Mr Cambieron, Hotel Beaulieu, Spring Forbi, Denmark, and to The Chairman, International Economic Conference, Moscow, U.S.S.R. A covering letter with each of these copies has authorised you to represent the Transvaal Peace Council, explained that you are a South African working for the I.U.S. who has done peace work in South Africa, and pointed out that we tried to send a more representative delegation, but without success.

We regret the delay in sending you your letter of authority.

Best wishes for the Conference.

Yours sincerely,

D.C. Thompson
D.C. Thompson (Rev.),
Chairman.

ENCL.

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703 Ladson ~~House~~, House,
118 Grey Street,
Durban
11/12/58.

Dear Lionel,

About the Natal Native baymen you asked us to investigate, I am sorry to inform you that we could not find the necessary references.

Langsa does not have any copies of their publication before 1910. The Campbell Library only has copies printed during the last 10 years.

We tried the Natal Mercury who have copies of their paper since 1857. No good! In the meantime Sempersadler (Remember him, he's the student you spoke to whilst you were here recently) has found some other stuff. He does not know if this is of any use to you and is prepared to follow it up if you are interested. I am enclosing what he got out of just one or two issues of the Mercury. The writing is bad, but I am sure you will be able to follow enough of it to know whether it is worth while following up.

The Natal Native Reform League referred to in the article ~~is~~ appears to be an all-white organisation.

If you are interested I shall ask Sempersadler to go into this matter more fully and send you up typewritten notes of what he gets. OK?

That's all for now,

Regards,
JH

Office.
Johannesburg.
15th October 1957

Dear Lionel,
quiet

How ~~quiet~~ you've been. Not a peep out of you. Time for one, in other words.

Be co-operative and write me a good piece on what is going on in the Middle East. Or failing that find me the article we want on the M.East (which will be even more difficult.) We want a Spectator - World Stage type of article which gives the background of the latest developments, and is snappily written. (What a thing to say to you, as though you don't always write snappily, wot?)

Notice that we had to skip an issue. Dearth of articles was one reason !!! Now we're in a flap we haven't got good enough stuff for the November issue and we need it by the 22nd and not a day later. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE.

We also need good stuff on the Sputnik. I don't get much overseas material and so am not hopeful I'll lay my hands on what we need but ~~perhaps~~ you will. The ideal thing would be an article by a scientist explaining the whys and wherefors and how far this moon does take science and humanity. Can you let me know pronto, express mail, if there is anything useful?

Next thing. Are you writing that resumé of the trial? The booklet is in press right now. It might well do with an extra section ~~which~~ which sums up the evidence neatly. If you have something on the stocks I can hold all horses to see it and try to include it, even if it is a reprint of something that has already appeared in N.A. So let me into the picture here.

How's your book coming along? When can we expect to read it? I had another of those Solly letters. Everyone but us has heaped praise on his book except Brian in the Guardian (sic) and C.B. in F.T. "Are these the only two people who know politics? Or are there other reasons?" etc and the rest. Anyway the poor fellow was knocked over by a ~~man~~ French lady riding a scooter in Cannes ("No permanent injury" he writes) so he finished his holiday in glorious Cannes in the hospital. I see he writes the book will be out at the beginning of November.

Love to Sadie and the kids, and write pronto.
And in English, not gibberish.

Cheerio,

Pett.

MILL C