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Mr John Samuel

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ANC Department of Education

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. Dear John

RE: ANC LMT STUDENTS IN NIGERIA

Further to the brief conversation I had with you a few weeks ago on the above subject, I now send you herewith copies of two self-explanatory letters from Ann (10lgstudents-who wish to continue! Sheir studies outside Nigeria. \_-\_\_\_\_\_.\_\_\_\_\_)#,

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The agreement that the ANC Education Department (Lusaka, Zambia) Negotiated with the Government of Australia regarding this programme (which the LMT was later requested to administer) does not provide for transfers of the kind these students have in mind; but then nobody could have foreseen at the time that Nigeria would be led along the current path. We are, therefore, in general sympathy with the request of these students to be transferred elsewhere. TIn fact, we would prefer 3Tl three-' nun - 2ii3003-odd students to be transferred from Nigeria to! 'SbuYFV3 r ca.? I understoodTT?35\_aEF\_EEEVE?E5tTBE\_?HETTTh3llwas somerri lng that you also thought might be the best course of action to follow. I see no reason why the Government of Australia should object to that; in fact they may even be willing to consider continuing the funding of the programme here. But even if they did not, the Batlagae Trust might be a suitable body to deal with these returning students. I would, ofcourse, depend on your guidance on this point. A joinV meeting betwe ourselves and Mohamed Tikly might point the way forwa5333ifw winatterI\_ ln,\_ ' x: ' ,"; . '.,l ;\_ r? :1: t 3t e ten (10) studegts whose letters are attgqhegnngggto \_and also , 10 indicate Fenerall% whether they could handle 250- 300 students I .4... n-m 13f they Ian e ere efbre the Blst December next. 2/-

TRUSTEES: The Rt Rex Dr. Tom Buller1Dr.Sihusiso M E. Bengu; MrI BI M Birnberg; Mr. John M atthew OBE; Mr Thabo Mbeki; Mr. Thomas T Nkobi; Mr Alfred N10: Prnf Terence Ranger Dr Richard Rathbone; Prof. G. M. Setiloane Company rcnislrcrd in England No. 1021681. Registered office: 103 Borough High Street. Lo ndon SE1 INN, Registered Charity Number: 326316

Sorry to trouble you in this way, but the situation in Nigeria is very bad - and potentially dangerous for our students and their Counsellors.

Regards

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Jos University,  
c/o Mr. Lawrence,  
.V.C. Office,  
P.M.B. 208a,  
Jos Plateau,  
Nigeria,  
22 September, 1993.

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Cde Thandi,  
QREQUEST FOR TRANSFER FROM momma,

Having considered and thoroughly studied the educational and political situation in this country, We the Jos students came to the conclusion the best thing for us is to request to the A.N.C. and L.M.T. Dr. Skomolo and our Chief Rep. Mr. G. Nene received our application with deep concern and sympathy. We also understand from Dr. Skomolo that the matter has been referred to you. We, therefore, wish to confirm our unchanging determination to see the matter through with your assistance. Our concern with the unstable situation here is not alleviated by the seeming resolution of the political impasse. The threat of another academic staff strike in the foreseeable future still hangs over us in spite of the end of the present one since it is only suspended.

We believe you are the one person to understand our dilemma have better having studied here for sometime. We kindly appeal to you for an urgent persuasion of our request.

Yours in the struggle,  
FANA Msomi.

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C/O Mr. Lawrenca

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Plateau State.

. Nigeria.

9th May. 1993.

The Chief Representative

41, Moshalashi Street,

Obalande.

Lagos State.

Comrade Chief,

There are certain facts we the A. N. C. students of the above institution,

We are quite sure you are .by now aware that we are a group of Very '

disciplined and dedicated students and members of our organisation the A. N. C. I

We mentioned this Cde to emphasise the point that the decision we have taken  
has been well thought and carefully deliberated upon.

In view of the enormous and numerous insurmountable obstacles on the

'1 Way, of our progress towards attainment of set educational objectives, we  
have decided to try and seek admisgion in Universities of other countries.

The first ones which came to our minds were Legon in Ghana ane Makerere in&  
Uganda. 9 WE are actually prepared to go to any country with stability and  
conducive conditions towards harmonious education.

Cde Chief, we are sure you are aware of the extremal y unstablehconditionhf:

Of eduCation here aggravated by constant and continual strikes by both

;.aoademic staff alternatively. We in 305 are experiencing a very fratrating

,situation since the national strikes came on top of a serious internal strike:

:There is also a more serious and worrying factor about non recognition of  
degrees from here by some countries. The B. B- C has even carried a story

'-On this and of course a more authoritative and relevant body A. S S U-

In view oi the above, Cde Chief, we kindly seek your assistance in this

"matter in whatever way you can as our Represgntative. Father and Cde.

1Thanking you in advance.

yours faithfully.

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Dr. x. Skomolo  
.Iptnuli .M. Trust,  
a -211 Herbert Macaulay Street:  
Yaba.  
Lagos State.

Dear Madam.,

After a thorough check of our position in this country as far as education is concerned and indeed, after long deliberations, we the nine ' " student's of the above University have come to a sad and decisive conclusion Lt; that we no longer have confidence in the educational system here. In view 'h Of this fact we, therefore turn to Your organisation as our benefactor t9 assist us in this important matter.

The cause of our frastration and disillusionment is common knowLedge to -. , YOu and the world.. The disintegration of the educational system.v This \_ - intuxn is affecting the standards which fact was recently mentioned by the B.B.c. and of course the most authoritative and emmimemt body of top academice.l A.S.S.U.- There is even talk of degrees from this country not begin recognisee' in some countries.

'3- Whilest the above is the most devastating and demoralising factor Contributing to our decision to seek refuge in ether countries educational #nstitution the following.factor is the last straw; the etremely unstable . condition of the school calender, exacerbated by continual skrikes by bothh e 3 academic and non academic staff alternatively is the worse problem facing ' usthere.

. We therefore requesting your assistance and support in securinge adiission in other universities in Africa or else where our first choice Which could be feasible interms of your sponSOIShip if pOSSible with you ' is Legon in Ghana, even Makerera in Uganda. Pardon our ignorance and, h neivity On some facts probably logistic, we request yOur advice on this , -\_a;u matter." . e 3:

3.Thanking you in advance.

Yours faithfully,

- Fana Msomi  
fJefferytholo  
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