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Comrade Henry Makgothi

Education Secretary

African National Congress

Lusaka

Dear Comrade Makgothi

Ref: Fund for Correspondence Courses

We have written before on,H7/? /queregarding the creation of a fund for securing tuition courses from correspondence colleges. You then wrote to the Chief Representative in London in this regard.

So far we have had no response from your Office and the matter is now very pressing. Until such time as we have A-Levels taught at Somafco and until such time as our Adult Education Division can provide suitable study opportunity for O-Levels, we will have to rely on Distance Learning. I am aware that it is envisaged that the SAEU will in due course provide higher level courses.

There are students here who want desperately an opportunity to qualify themselves for scholarships and wish to study by correspondence. Let me cite the latest example. Cde Wandile Nkankula wishes to study 2 A-Levels and 2 O-Levels so that he can be eligible for entry into a degree course at University. There is a British Correspondence College with an office in Dar es Salaam which offers the subjects he requires. The full cost is 4 360 /- (approx \$250).

The NSC can vet each applicant who wishes to study by Correspondence. Having done so, money has to be available for acquiring the course/s. We could also monitor the student's progress and ensure that he/she studies consistently, perhaps with the help of the Adult Education Division.

Has there been an agreement in principle to financially support students wishing to study by Correspondence? If so, do we refer each successful application to you, or can we ask the Treasury to release the money, where payment is possible in Tanzanian shillings? For courses for which payment is required in hard-currency, what will be the procedure?

Cde Wandile, whose case I have cited above is extremely anxious to begin his studies immediately. Kindly obtain authorisation for him to obtain the 4 courses he wishes to study.

Your immediate response will be appreciated because the young man feels very frustrated.

In the Year of the Women:

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Secretary for Education,
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Dear Comrade Henry,

Ref: Correspondence Studies

with regard to your letter dated June 1, 1984 addressed to Cde Sally Smith in London, I am writing to enquire whether he has responded to; your suggestion that correspondence material might be obtained from an institution such as the International Thenson College.

It is rather urgent that we obtain funds for purchasing correspondence material. Some of our adult learners at Mazimbu and Dakawa are in need of correspondence courses because of lack of teachers. I will ask Cde Richard Sibengele to make lists of our precise needs.

When it comes to distance education tutors, there are many in the ANC who are willing to assist. Indeed, the Adult Education Panel of the London Education Committee is more than willing to coordinate a group of tutors and to obtain material.

I am copying this letter to Cde Sally Smith in the hope that he will take this matter up with Cde Ben Turok in London and, with his co-operation, establish a fund or access to a fund set aside by an organisation such as the British Defence and Aid Fund.

This is an urgent matter which I hope will receive prompt attention from your Office and our Mission in London.

Amandla in the Year of our Women!

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