OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 7, 1977

Mr. Reg September, Chief Representative, ANC (S.A.) 49 Rathbone Street, LONDON WIA 4NL.

Dear Comrade Reg,

Thank you for sending us alcopy of the letter that Ben Turock wrote to you and also for the letter from the IUEF, concerning open University Association of University Teachers. The President is away at the moment and the matter has been passed on to the office of the Secretary General for attention of the National Executive Committee.

with best wishes.

Yours in the struggle

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C. Masondo

Presidential Secretary

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 9, 1977

The Secretary General, Comrade Alf Nzo, ANC (S.A.) P.O. Box I79I, Limson Chambers, LUSAKA

Dear Comrade Nzo,

Please find enclosed a copy of a letter written to Reggie by Ben Turok and also a copy of the letter from IUEF concerning open University Association of University teachers, for the attention and information of the National Executive Committee.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

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C. Masondo Presidential Secretary



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Mr. B. Turok, 19 Abbots Gardens, London, N2 OJG.

19th October, 1977.

Dear Ben,

I have now had a chance to speak to my colleagues in Geneva concerning the proposals you put to me on the 23rd September.

I am pleased to be able to tell you that we accept the proposals you have made with enthusiasm. You may feel assured in your dealings with the Open University Association of University Teachers that we would be willing to support such a venture both financially and in relation to identifying appropriate candidates for your courses.

We feel that the extension of Open University tuition to South African victims of apartheid both inside and outside South Africa would be a significant contribution to the eventual liberation of Southern Africa. I hope that your colleagues in the Association of University Teachers will share this view.

I shall be away from the office for some five weeks as from today but in my absence you might like to contact Veronica Denby if there are urgent matters which require our consideration.

We had of course thought along the lines of a limited number of individual awards to students for an initial year in order that we might judge how effective the scheme was likely to prove. Perhaps your own negotiations with the Open University Vice Chancellor and University Secretary might also stress the importance of a trial run?

I gather that the next step is to draw up a resolution for Senate and I wish you luck in this!

With sincere best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Christopher Beer Regional Director

Dictated by Christopher Beer and signed in his absence.

cc. Lars-Gunnar

Lord Caradon (Chairman), Canon John Collins, Barney Desai, Terence Finley, Rt. Hon. Judith Hart MP, Peter Katjavivi, Martin Kenyon, Sir Leslie Kirkley, Hugh Lewin, Walter Martin

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Dear Reg,

As you will see from the enclosed letter, the TUEF has now come up with the goods. They are willing to provide money and names of victims of apartheid both inside and outside S.A. who wish to study Open University courses. You will recall that I discussed this question with you some time ago, and I also took the opportunity to raise this with Oliver when he was here about a month ago. He was very keen on the idea which was when I pressed ahead with the TUEF. I am sorry that my letter to Moeletsi, Secretary of the London Youth Branch of the ANC has so far not led to anything, but I hope that the ANC can fit into this scheme somehow, at the very least by supplying some names of applicants.

I now propose to go ahead with the Open University Association of University Teachers with two proposals. First that we should start immediately providing course material for people who wish to study on a preparatory basis, i.e. without taking exams. Second, that we should seek to change the University rules enabling people to study for the O.B. courses even though they are not resident in the UK. This will take some doing, as it requires a change of rules by Senate and there will be some resistance. But I think we can succeed.

Anyhow I thought I ought to inform you of developments and look forward to your cooperation,

Fraternally,

Ben Turok.

c.c. O.R. Tambo. President ANC Jean Hiddleton, Chairman, Education Committee , London A.N.C.

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