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Dear Jeny,

Thanks for fax. I am sending herewith the cuttings coverin g Ntombits visit along with so me others.

I am very glad to hear that she felt her Visit was a success.

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Six of us met her at the airport. The television coVeragc of her arrival and press confer ence were

very good(see cuttings). We all went back to our house for supper, to watch the TV covera ge and

to talk.

Sam

The meeting with the TDC on Saturday morning was cordial but in the end we failed to pers uade

them not to send a delegation to SA. They were very convincing in their claims of sympath y but

said they just represented small business men who were just trading in, the bazaar! Durin g the

visit of the TDC Delegation to SA. planned for January, they assured us they did not inte nd to

make any big business agreements, large investments or sign any big contracts. Hong Kong busiv

nessmen, they say, are mainly involved in light industry - clocks, watches, small parts, toys, clothest

They say they have supported the ANC for 15 years and have no intention of making big dea ls with

the present South African Government. This was the most interesting item of the visit. We spent

a complete hour with them with much discussion.

Saturday night we went to a university party where Ntombi met some of our members.

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We went on the bent to Lemma Island, where Sheila lives. She had distributed leaflets in the bars

etc and about 15-20 people turned up at the little out-door bar to meet and talk to Ntomb i.

Others turned up at the restaurant where we had lunch and finally quite a few came to sit and chat

on Shcilats roof and watch the sun go down. This was a very successful visit and there is obviu sly

quite a bit of support. I intend to set up a Lamma Anti-apartheid group,

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We spent the morning meeting, talking to and exchanging ideas with W
One of them a Hong Kong group of mainly professional graduates looking at tax laws etc.;
the
other a regional group representing women throughout East Asia at a more grass-roots leve
l. We
had lunch with them and I hope to keep in contact with them. The afternoon was spent at t
he
Njgeu'an Commission where we met Mr. Preware. the Commissioner who was most welcoming
and supportive and assured us of his continued strong support. He was very disappointed t
hat
Nelson Mandela was unable to visit. The evening was spent with some of our members at an
Indian restaurant where Richard Vines dropped in to meet Ntombi.

Tuesday

We met with the Governoris Deputy Politiggl Adviser who was condescending and chilly. Thi
s
was the least successful meeting. At QMELCO we met two members and Ntombi read them a.
statement . They listened carefully and assured us they would pass the message on to
their members. This was followed by long interViews with the press, radio, and TV. In the
evening Gerry, Ntombi and I went to the Nigerian Commissioners home for a very casual pot
luck
supper, which was very nice and relaxing.

To sum up, the officials we met were supportive but all claimed that any decisions were o
ut of
their hands. i felt they were just going through the motions, being polite. It makes me w
onder
WHO are the groups determining what happens in Hong Kong. But we got good publicity, whic
h
increases peoples awareness and the powers that be know we are around to comment on polic
ies.

It gave our members a focus and helps to renew enthusiasmAny visits of this kind are very
valu-
able.

We are having our AGM at the end of the month. lwill be giving a report and I intend to g
ive our
members a run-down and definition in detail on. what the principle pillars of apartheid a
re, what
they actually mean, which have been abolished, which remain. I want to make a simple tabl
e for
quick reference and then give a statement of What has happened in the last year in SA and
how

much remains to be done and arm them with some facts for their reference. If you have any
thing
that sets these facts out clearly and up-to date it would be an enormous help.

Ntombi talked about a project in the Eastern Transvaal where the local chief has given th
em a plot
of land. We are considering raising funds to be donated for specific items -fencing, seed
s, farm
implements, a tractor. This would be something people could identify withJocal school chi
ldren
here could get involved, perhaps writing letters to counterparts in SA, helping with fund
-raising

projects. We could be sent photographs to keep us in touch with developments. What are yo
ur
comments?

We enjoyed having Ntomhi staying with us and she and Gerry had long discussions at breakf
ast
and we all sat and talked before we went to bed. Gerry and I felt thoroughly "politicised
" by the
end. I hope she wasnit too exhausted with me dragging her all over the place.

I have just spoken to Richard Vines on the phone and he says to thank you for your help.
It

appears though that he had a hard time getting the interview.

You must have had a very busy time over the last few months.

Greetings from us all

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Dear Eilleen,

Apologies for delayed correspondence. we really like to express our appreciation for the work you and members of HKAAG did during the visit of Ntompí Shope that side a fdrtnight ago.

Although I did not have an intensive discussions with her for Nelson Mandela was still around, she did give me a short briefing and impression about HuL visit. She was highly impressed and have high regards for you and HKAAG. Evelyn also informed me of your discussions regarding the visit.

If possible we will request newspaper cuttings covering her visit. Please also advice on any follow-ups and how should they . be made. We will also welcome your own impression (including HKAAG). And are you going to keep contact with her? Did Richard Vines manage to interview Mandela in Malaysia.

Greetin s to all HKAAG members and supporters.

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Jerry isila

ANC Chief Representative