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Dear Ode Tonny

I hope you have been receiving all copies of our correspondence on an offer of assistance, from Otto Benecke Stiftung (038), to upgrade our Vocational training staff in the Federal Republic of Germany (FRG). I am writing to give you more background on the matter so that you can assist us expedite matters from that end. On matters of policy, I am clear that the ANC has, to the best of my knowledge, no objection to OBS assisting us. I knew about this from the meeting you and I attended in Bonn early this decade. Since then there has been continuing OBS assistance to us in the region. Our Education Administrative Secretary Cde Tickly also became involved. In Lusaka in contact with CBS office there, on some offers of the current plans for assistance to our vocational training centre (VIC) staff development needs.-

Our problems pressing us to gain the current OBS offer came about in the following circumstances. We since opened the first year V'IC training with very few qualified staff partly upgraded by Finland. The acceptance for full skill upgrading of our instructors is proving difficult because normal full national vocational and technical skill training programmes demand a nine year basic schooling entrance requirement. We would therefore like to take the special arrangement possible with CBS.

The second intensity of need for us is that we want to upgrade our instructors to be able to teach up to technical level. OBS is offering to assist in that. Many donors tend to offer only basic worker skill upgrading; In the 038 after, we want to) give them staff we are upgrading in mathematics and Physics so that they test them and it acceptable give them full skill upgrading to even master-craft level if possible. You will certainly be aware that mastercraft level training is a national standard for many countries.

Let me also mention that we have a very possible UNDP assistance on engineering skills training. We need to develop staff for that project as well. I sincerely request you to push on our behalf the OBS offer. May I invite you also to visit the VTC when you can for familiarisation on our programme.

Yours in Struggle

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