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September 6, 1988

The Honorable President Oliver Tambo
African National Congress
P.O. Box 31791
Lusaka
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Dear Mr. Tambo:

On behalf of the Unitarian Universalist denomination I extend greetings to you. We respect deeply your continuing efforts in the long-haul struggle for justice of the African National Congress.

I write to invite you to address the 1989 General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association which will be held in June 1989 on the campus of Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut, USA. Approximately 3,000 delegates will be in attendance for the Assembly which begins on June 21, 1989.

U.S. anti-apartheid activists have focused attention on Yale University because of its continuing investment in corporations doing business with apartheid South Africa. In 1986, the UUA divested its holdings in companies doing business with apartheid South Africa. We continue to advocate the total isolation of apartheid South Africa, and do so via educational forums, advocacy training and lobbying, coalitional participation in institutional and consumer boycotts.

Your presence on the campus of Yale with us would be an opportunity to highlight the folly of Yale's stand, which, oversimplified, views American corporations as agents of positive change.

Your presence, and brief address to the delegates, would inform not only the gathered delegates but also the broader public and US anti-apartheid movement. We would film the proceedings and invite media coverage.

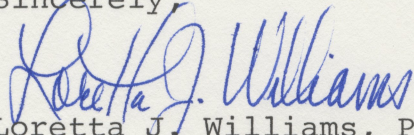
I have enclosed copies of Ethics and Action, our social justice publication, which we send to Rev. F.F. Gqiba, ANC Department of Religious Affairs. I read Phakamani with interest.

I hope that you will consider and accept our invitation. I will seek a meeting with Mr. Mnumzana to better

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familiarize him with our denomination. Please accept our pledge to do our part in increasing public awareness and action in support of your goal for a non-racial, democratic post-apartheid South Africa.

Sincerely,


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