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March 26, 1990



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Dr. Oliver Tambo
51 Alexandra Park Road
London N10
ENGLAND

Dear Dr. Tambo,

I write with pleasure to let you know that the University of the West Indies wishes to confer on you the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws (LLD) and subject to your willingness to accept the award and your being able to be present, the Degree would be conferred at the Graduation Ceremony at the Cave Hill Campus of the University of the West Indies in Barbados. The Ceremony is likely to be some time in October/November. I will write to you later as soon as the date is fixed.

The University will send you airline tickets for yourself and spouse, arrange accommodation for you and lend the full academic dress necessary for the occasion, and after the Ceremony will donate the Hood.

The names of the recipients of the Honorary Degrees are being kept secret for the time being and you will be advised later of the date when a public announcement is going to be made.

I look forward to hearing from you soon. Please mark your reply 'Personal and Confidential'.

Yours sincerely,

B. W. Robertson
University Registrar

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August 7, 1990

Dr. Oliver Tambo
51 Alexander Park Road
London N10
ENGLAND.

Dear Dr. Tambo:

Further to my letter of March 26, 1990, this is to let you know that the University Academic Committee announced at its July meeting that the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws will be conferred on you in absentia at the Graduation Ceremony to be held at the Cave Hill Campus on Saturday, November 17, 1990.

The University Registrar in conversation with Mrs. Tambo agreed that the University would be happy to have her accept the award on your behalf.

The University will send Mrs. Tambo an airline ticket and arrange accommodation for her in Barbados. Mrs. Austin Alleyne, the Campus Registrar, Cave Hill will be in touch with her on this matter.

With every good wish.

Yours sincerely

B.W. Robertson
University Registrar

cc. Mrs. Austin Alleyne, Campus Registrar, Cave Hill

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES

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August 27, 1990

Mrs. Oliver Tambo
51 Alexandra Park Road
London N10
ENGLAND

Dear Mrs. Tambo:

I write further to the University Registrar's letter of August 7, to your husband. We are sorry to learn that he will be unable to be with us on November 17. We note that you will be coming to Cave Hill to accept the Honorary Degree on his behalf.

I am therefore writing to give you details about the Ceremony and related activities.

The Ceremony itself will take place at 6:00 pm in the Quadrangle at Cave Hill. The Chancellor will be hosting a Reception on Friday, November 16.

We will provide you with a return economy airfare between London and Barbados. It would probably be simplest for you to make your own booking and let us have the details for us to arrange for a prepaid travel advice (PTA) to be issued to cover your ticket.

We will provide you with subsistence at the rate of Bds368.00 for up to four nights, and will, if you wish, make a hotel booking for you. We will also provide you with transportation for all the official Graduation engagements.

Please let us have the names and addresses of any persons you would like specially invited for the Ceremony.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Austin Alleyne (Mrs.)
Campus Registrar

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RE: AWARD

FROM: O. R. TAMBO

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Dear Dr Alleyne,

This is another change. Mrs Tembi Kingston (born Tambo) cannot make it for the 17th November, and I have acquired the assistance of Miss Lindiwe Mabuza to come to Barbados and receive the award.

She is in charge of our work in the United States and her offices are in Washington DC. Her curriculum vitae is enclosed and I trust you will find her most satisfactory. Her postal address is:

The African National Congress

P.O. Box 15575

Washington D.C.

Fax No. 202 - 543-9435 Tel. 202 - 543-9433

In case of need, her physical address is:

707 - 8 street

South East

Washington D.C.

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Miss Mabuza will be ready to receive communication from you, including by diplomatic means should you deem it necessary to utilise diplomatic channels.

With warm regards.

Yours faithfully

O.R. Tambo - President, The African National Congress

OR Tambo

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA: PRESIDENT DR. OLIVER REGINALD TAMBO:

Born 1917 in Bizana District in the Eastern Cape.

Educated at Ludeke, the Holy Cross Mission, and set academic records at St. Peter's Secondary School from where he matriculated with a first class in 1938. Awarded a scholarship he obtained a B.Sc from Fort Hare in 1941. He was expelled during a student strike the following year, while studying for diploma in education.

1943-47: Science and Mathematics teacher at St Peter's Secondary School.

1952: Qualified as an attorney and established a law partnership with Nelson Mandela - the first African legal partnership in South Africa.

One of the founders of ANC Youth League, serving successively as national secretary, Transvaal President and national Vice-President. Moving into the leadership of the African National Congress he was first elected to the National Executive Committee in 1949, and has returned to the NEC at every subsequent election.

Though prohibited from attending gatherings and restricted to the Johannesburg-Benoni Magisterial District in 1954, he continued his political activities. He was elected Secretary-General of the ANC in 1955 and Deputy-President in 1958.

In December 1956 a fortnight after being accepted as a candidate for ordination, he was one of the 156 South Africans arrested and charged with treason. A year later he was among those discharged from the treason trial, and he was subsequently served with new 5

year banning orders.

Convinced that mass arrests, indefinite detention of leaders and a ban on the ANC was imminent, the National Executive decided that Oliver Tambo should leave the country to serve as foreign spokesman and, if the ban on the ANC was complete, to take over as leader for inside and outside the country. He left a few days before the ANC was declared an illegal organisation, one week after the Sharpville massacre. He has lived outside South Africa since then, with his offices in London, Dar Essalaam, and finally Zambia. It was in Zambia where he was attacked by a stroke, from which he is busy recovering.

In the meantime, he has travelled to every continent, attending meetings or seeing important people. He has been to the United Nations, the Organisation of African Unity, the Non- Aligned Movement and many others.

There were few countries which supported our cause in 1960. There are many in 1990. There is change taking place in South Africa. Political prisoners, including Nelson Mandela, are being released, the ANC and other political Organisations have been legalised, and scores of people who had left the country and gone into exile are being allowed to return. The world is changing. Oliver Tambo has contributed to that change.

LINDIWE MABOZA

- 1989- Chief Representative of the ANC to the USA.
- 1979-1988 Chief Representative of the ANC to Scandinavia based in Stockholm, Sweden. During this time opened new ANC offices in Denmark (1985), Norway (1986), Finland (1988).
- 1977-1979 Radio journalist with ANC Radio Freedom, Lusaka Zambia.
- 1969-1976 Assistant Professor-Center for African-American Studies, Ohio University, Athens, Ohio.
- 1966-1968 Master of Arts in American Studies, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 1964-1966 Master of Arts in English Literature completed at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.

Writes poetry and short stories

