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DIRECTORS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY MARCH 1983

1. Charitable Status

Following upon the adoption of constitutional amendments considered at the extra ordinary meeting held on the 19th December, 1982 the solicitor was advised to initiate steps to formally incorporate these amendments into the constitution. When this was accomplished a formal application for charitable status was submitted to the Charity Commissioners who have now responded by granting charitable status to the Luthuli Cultural and welfare Services. (See attached letter from solicitor)

The granting of charitable status makes it essential for the Luthuli Services to formally apply to the Department of Trade to have the term 'Limited' removed from the title of the association. This would be consistent with the charitable status of the association and the desirable condition that no member of the Association shall be deemed to have any share interest in the association.

2. Fundraising

A. Responses from Governments

Sweden

SIDA (Swedish International Development Agency) are still considering our appeal for funding support for our projects .

Norway.

The Norwegian foreign office are still considering our appeal for support.

Denmark

The Danish Foreign Ministry have advised us that our appeal for support has been referred to the Danish advisory committee on humanitarian aid to Southern Africa who are due to meet in April. They will be considering our appeal and making recommendations to the Danish Foreign Ministry. There after our appeal will be discussed by the Danish **Parliamentary** Fiscal Committee who will take the final decision on our application.

Holland

The Dutch Government having already made a grant of Dfl. 255,000 towards the scholarship programme have indicated that they would be willing to consider further funding for the Luthuli Services upon receipt of a report on the use of the funds already made available.

France

The French Government are still considering the Luthuli services appeal for support.

Italy

No response has yet been received from the Italian Government.

B. Responses from Non Governmental organisations.

Church of Sweden Mission.

The Board of the Church of Sweden Mission have now met and considered our appeal for support. It has been formally agreed by the Board that support be given to the programmes of the Luthuli Services. Consideration is still being given regarding what volume of funds should be made available to the Luthuli Services. Pursuant of this consideration the Director of the Church of Sweden Mission, Mr Tore Bergman, will be visiting London during the week beginning 11th April 1983 for detailed discussions with the Director.

Norwegian Council of Churches.

The decision of the Norwegian Council of Church regarding our appeal for support is still being awaited. A letter of reminder has been dispatched to the Norwegian Council of Churches.

World Council of Churches

The responses to our **appeals** to the WCC Refugee Programme and the WCC Scholarship programme are still being awaited.

The Ford Foundation

An appeal for support for our Administration Salary Budget has been addressed to the Ford Foundation and their response is presently awaited. (See attached copy of Administration project.)

The Rockefeller Foundation and the African/American Institute.

Following upon the recommendation of the Management Council made at the previous meeting held on 11th December, 1982 that the educational assistance offered by the Rockefeller Foundation and the African/American Institute be further investigated, letters of inquiry requesting further clarification on the scholarship programmes of both these organisations have now been dispatched. Responses are still being awaited.

The Carnegie Corporation

The response of the Carnegie Corporation to our appeal for support is still being awaited.

3. Finances

The Finances of the Luthuli Services as at 17th March, 1983 stand as follows:

Deposit	account	£ 26,602.48
Current	account	£ <u>4,668.75</u>
Total		£ <u><u>31,271.23</u></u>

4. Audited Accounts

The final accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1982 are being audited by Mason and Partners. As soon as auditing is completed the final audited accounts will be made available to all members of Council. The draft Receipts and payments account is attached.

Signed

M S. Choabi.

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