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Dot. 7 February, 1989

Dear Sir/Madam,

Application for Membership of OAU Coordinating Committee  
on Assistance to Refugees in Africa (CCAR)

I wish to intimate to you that the previous three Ordinary Sessions of the OAU Coordinating Committee on Assistance to Refugees (CCAR) thoroughly reviewed the activities of the Committee and strongly recommended that the membership of the CCAR be opened to new members in order to attract other active organizations with programmes in favour of African refugees and displaced persons. This recommendation was subsequently endorsed by the OAU Commission of Fifteen on Refugees which would also enable the OAU Bureau for Refugees to reach out to as many as possible. Non-governmental organizations within and outside Africa considering the fact that these organizations have played and continue to play very useful roles in the humanitarian field within the continent.

It is, therefore, against this background, Sir/Madam, that I am writing, in my capacity as Chairman of the OAU Coordinating Committee, to invite you to indicate whether you would wish your Organization to be considered for membership of the Committee during its 19th Ordinary Session scheduled to take place in Ghana some time in April 1989. In this connection, I should be most grateful if you would, as soon as possible, send documentation relating to the background and status of your Organization as well as its programme of activities, to the Director, OAU Bureau for Refugees, P.O.Box 3243 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The President  
Comrade Oliver Tambo  
ANC Headquarters  
LUSAKA,

ZAMBIA

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This information will not only serve as your Organizations' application for membership in accordance with the Rules of procedure of the Committee, but will also enable the Committee to take the final decision on your application for membership during its next Ordinary Session in April, 1989. Documents CM/1171 (XXXIII) and BR/CO-CTTEE/80 being the Rules of Procedure and the Report of the 18th Ordinary Session of the CCAR respectively are enclosed, herewith, for ease of reference.

Your efforts to expedite action on this matter would be highly appreciated .

Yours sincerely.

cc; African National Congress  
P.O.Box 7483

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