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STATEMENT OF THE DEPUTY PRESIDENT
OF THE AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS
AT A CONCERT ORGANISED BY THE
IRISH ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT
DUBLIN 1st JULY 1990

LEADERS OF THE HEROIC IRISH ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT,
COMRADES AND FRIENDS, SISTERS AND BROTHERS
IT IS WITH BOUNDLESS JOY THAT WE ARE AMONGST YOU THIS EVENING.
WE BRING YOU WARM AND FRATERNAL GREETINGS FROM THE AFRICAN
NATIONAL CONGRESS. WE BRING YOU WARM GREETINGS FROM THE
MASS DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT AND INDEED OUR ENTIRE EMBATTLED
PEOPLE. OUR PRESIDENT COMRADE OLIVER TAMBO SENDS HIS BEST
REGARDS.

WE ARE MORE THAN PLEASED TO BE WITH YOU, MEMBERS OF OUR
ENLARGED FAMILY. FOR ALMOST THIRTY YEARS, THE IRISH ANTI-
APARTHEID MOVEMENT HAVE BEEN A CONSISTENT AND STAUNCH IX .
PARTNER OF OUR PEOPLE IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST THE INFAMOUS SYSTEM
OF APARTHEID. YOUR PIONEERING ROLE HAS IMMENSELY CONTRIBUTED TO
THE INTERNATIONAL INDIGNATION THAT SO MANY HARBOUR TOWARDS
APARTHEID. THANKS TO YOUR TIRELESS EFFORTS TODAY, THE ENTIRE
WORLD IS UNITED BEHIND OUR STRUGGLE. THANKS TO YOUR STERLING
CONTRIBUTION, THE APARTHEID SYSTEM CANNOT SURVIVE ANOTHER
DAY LONGER.

OUR COMMON STRUGGLE HAS REACHED AN ADVANCED AND DECISIVE STAGE.
THE HOUR OF DESTINY HAS DAWNED. THE DAY IS NOT FAR WHEN OUR
DREAM OF A UNITED, DEMOCRATIC, NON-RACIAL AND NON-SEXIST
SOUTH AFRICA SHALL BE TURNED INTO REALITY. WE SUE FOR A
DEMOCRATIC ORDER WHEREIN OUR FPEOPLE WILL BE UNITED IN THEIR
DIVERSITY. BOUND TOGETHER BY THEIR COMMON DESTINY, THERE WILL
BE NEITHER WHITE NOR BLACK, BUT JUST SOUTH AFRICANS, FREE AND PROUD.

PROUD TO BE MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN FAMILY. PROUD TO BE FREE
AT LAST BUT FREE.

TO REACH THERE WE MUST STAND FIRM AND CONTINUE WITH THE
STRUGGLE. THE NEW SITUATION IN OUR COUNTRY HAS COMPELLED
NEW RESPONSIBILITIES UPON OUR MOVEMENT. WE ARE THE
AGENCY FOR DEMOCRACY AND PEACE. TO BE ABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY
ACCOMPLISH THIS OUR HISTORIC MISSION, WE NEED BOTH
POLITICAL AND MATERIAL SUPPORT. TO END APARTHEID, WE
MUST KEEP SANCTIONS AND ALL OTHER FORMS OF PRESSURE IN PLACE.
TO FIND A JUST AND LASTING PEACE, OUR MOVEMENT IS IN NEED
OF FUNDS AND OTHER FORMS OF ASSISTANCE. OUR YOUTH ARE IN
NEED OF TRAINING SO THAT THEY TOO COULD ONE DAY BE ABLE
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PARTICIPANTS IN THE RECONSTRUCTION OF OUR OWN COUNTRY.
ON ALL THESE, WE ARE FULLY CONVINCED THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO
RELY ON YOUR EVER READY ASSISTANCE.

TO THE ARTISTS, SINGERS AND ENTERTAINERS, WE EXTEND OUR
WARMEST THANKS. THAKRISH ANTI-APARTHEID MOVEMENT HAS BEEN
A WORLD LEADER IN THE CULTURAL BOYCOTT OF APARTHEID; YOUR
BEST WRITERS AND CREATIVE PEOPLE HAVE SHUNNED FROM MAKING
MONEY OUT OF APARTHEID; SOME OF YOUR BEST SPORTSMEN AND WOMEN
HAVE REFUSED TO GO TO SOUTH AFRICA. WE SALUTE THESE PEOPLE, AS
WE SALUTE YOU TONIGHT.

SOON, WE SHALL GATHER IN A FREE SOUTH AFRICA WITH OUR MUSIC,
OUR DANCE, AND WITH OUR POETRY RESOUNDING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD
WITH THE SIMPLE MESSAGE: AMANDLA!