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African National Congress
Head Office
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Lusaka
Sambia

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Dear Cde. Jele,

Enclosed please find copy of letter received from the protestant church of this country (EKD). The content is self-explanatory.

I would like to mention nevertheless that there is tremendous infighting going on within the churches regarding the question of racism and also the question of the church contacts and relationships with us. I will be seeing them as soon as the new foreign relations man - Rev. Rolf Hinz - takes office.

I had several talks with the Head of the international department of the SPD. It seems that they are either very involved with the forthcoming elections in March and/or want to avoid a visit by the President in the interim period. Since they were not in a position to ensure or guarantee a meeting with Brandt, I think that the matter should be put off until after the March elections.

Enclosed also find copy of a letter written to me from Switzerland. As you can see from the second letter attached, a money order to my post-office account was sent to the South African Embassy (!) which then returned the amount with a letter to the sender in Switzerland. I have taken the matter up with the head of the Africa Desk at the foreign office (Mr. Haas) who by the way seemed extremely embarrassed and came out with a series of theories to explain away this phenomena. He himself was not convinced of his own theories. I think it is quite obvious that the security services of the two countries work together, but did not think that some of my mail was being directed to the embassy. My own feeling is that some clerk misunderstood instructions and returned the money to the sender instead of forwarding it to me.

I also understand that the new ministry of Interior is compiling a new list of all the representatives of so-called "left-movements", the idea being that they are going to get very tough on our activities and at least confine our activities within a very narrow definition. I don't know how far they will go, but March is not very far off, and we should soon know what it will all mean - this is assuming that they will again form the government.

We are moving house within the next two weeks - the address is as follows:

Uhlandstr. 24
53 Bonn 2

I will communicate the new Telephone number as soon as we have one.
Please also make note of Telex-Nr. where our statements etc. can be sent to. This is an important Telex Nr. since they automatically relay our statements to all the main local and third-world agencies:

Telex 8881549 mp d (Cologne, West Germany)

with warm regards,

AMANDLA!

Tony Seëdat
Chief Representative
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