

Mandela can bring peace to our land

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SIR — I feel I cannot leave unchallenged the distorted views expressed by Mr Louis Le Grange on the question of having ANC leader, Mr Nelson Mandela released from Robben Island.

Despite repeated nationwide appeals from both blacks and whites of this country, this Minister of Police declares: "He will serve his sentence to the full," referring to the imprisoned Mr Mandela.

We want Mandela. He's part of us, just as we are part of him. To refer to Mandela as an "out and out communist" brings contamination to his calibre as a great leader.

Don't doubt this. Mandela is the leader of the people. Only he alone possesses the art of leadership so urgently required to solve the political rumpus in this land. Even Mr Le Grange does not possess such leadership. It only takes a country as mad as South Africa to afford such waste.

The remarks Mr Le Grange made when he addressed the Ciskei Legis-

lative Assembly that blacks never had any regard for National Congress proves verbal innuendo beyond any shadow of doubt. He is mistaken. We believe that if the Pretoria Government

lift the ban of black exiled groups and let them return safely, free all political prisoners and let Mr Mandela be the representative of his people, chaos and fears in this country will be a thing of

the past

We believe also that Mandela, like Mr Robert Mugabe will lead here should there be open and free elections for all.

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