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Dear Peter

Egoject Proposal :or CounsellingZBursary Assistance It was indeed a pleasure meeting you on December 2nd 1992 whenr we discussed the balance of the SOMAFCO Fund available for use in South'Africa.

I regret the delay in submitting the project proposal in relation to the Liivha School. The post for the teacher/cousellor has been advertised (see enclosed advert) and the appointment will be made next month. We'd appreciate your response by mid-February. We'll be extremely pleased if the balance of the SOMAFCO fund can be allocated towards this worthy project. As we said at our meeting, it may be worthwhile twinning Liivha School with a school in the Netherlands and if you have any concrete proposal about this, please let me know and you could liaise directly with the Principal:-

Ms. Maryla Bialobozeska

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Venda

South Africa.

Twinning Project through the EEC and hope that these are successfully implemented.

The struggling people of SA have been fortunate to have had the sustained political support and generous financial and material

assistance from the Dutch Anti-apartheid Movement for over twenty years. On behalf of returnee political exiles, the Batlagae Trust hereby conveys gratitude to AABN, it's membership and the many students and adults who have contributed their assistance. Yours sincerely

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Executive Director.

FUNDI G PROPOSAL

Proposal for support at the Liivha School in Venda, South Africa ${\tt BACKGROUND}$

The Batlagae Trust was set up in July 1991 in response to the educational needs and integration of children and students returning from exile. The Trust became operational in October 1991 and has subsequently assisted over 600 returnee learners. The Trust is non-partisan, and supports all children and youth from exile irrespective of their political affiliation. The trustees represent the ANC, PAC and churches, with close liaison between the Trust and the National Co-ordinating Committee for the Reaptriation of Political Exiles (NCCR), being maintained through the respective executive structures.

The Trust is based and co-ordinated from Johannesburg but serves the needs of returnees nationally. The Trust's functions include:-

- t re-orientation, support and assistance of students
- t personal and academic counselling of returnee students
- t arranging bursaries for children, students and adults
- $\ensuremath{\mathbf{1}}$ making financial provision for these functions
- a ensuring that the necessary teaching and support personnel are in place and to provide the necessary orientation and support to these people to optimise their effectiveness
- in caring for the needs of returnee learners
- a dealing with specialised education needs of returnees such as curriculum adjustment
- $\boldsymbol{1}$ checking the credentials of institutions chosen by returnees or their parents

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The Trust has so far effectively, through links with the NCCR, processed work in a number of regions such as the Western and Eastern cape, the Orange free State and Natal. In addition a large number of applications have been processed through the Johannesburg office.

To date over 600 applications have been processed amounting to

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approximately R700,000.00, only part of the estimated R4,000,000.00 budget which will be processed during 1992. SPEC ALI ED FUNCTION $\,$

As mentioned earlier, one of the important functions of the Batlagae Trust is to provide counselling to facilitate the process of integration for returnee children. Many were born in exile and now face the traumatic experience of having to adjust to a new environment and learning situation with different social and curriculum demands.

To meet this need the Batlagae Trust provides or arranges counselling facilities and has had requests from some schools for additional support. One such school is Liivha in Thohoyandou in Venda. The school has so far enrolled 9 returnee children and has employed a teacher from the Solomon Mahlangu Freedom College. As indicated in the letter dated 22/11/91 (attached) from Liivha School, they wish to appoint a teacher to give additional academic and psycho-social support to the pupils and students, particularly those from exile.

The Trust considers Liivha's request as worthy of support and would like to sponsor the salary of the teacher they wish to appoint.

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Salary for teacher R26,000.00I
Benefits R18,000.00
Bursaries for at least 3 students R10,000.00
Administration . R 6,000.00