

LOGISTICS DEPARTMENT:

01pm! o-pou-(u, 22nd. February 1982.

Comrade W. Kodesh.

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Logistics,

Lusaka. '

Dear Comrade Wolfie,

At the Logistics Meeting of 20th. February 1982,

'your letter of the 13th. January was read and discussed. I am instructed to inform you, that while the comrades, in principal, support your views on distribution, they nevertheless believe that it will be totally unworkable here.

The main reason is that we simply do not have the manpower or personnel who would be able to effect this. The committee recommended that if this was introduced by HQ, then HQ should be asked to send comrades who would undertake such inspections as are required.

V I am also asked to inform you that Comrades Fatta and

Thueo are on placement for scholarships abroad at the end of August. .

'As you are aware, these two had been sent from the West for medical treatment to Dar and seconded to us on a temporary basis only. Comrade Thuaao . has been appealed to by the Committee to consider refusing the scholarship and staying on for an extra year. He has not yet decided. Should one or both go, we will again be desperately short of reliable and honest cadres in the Mezimbu Stores. Are you in any position to help? I

Lastly, I was asked to appeal to you to inform comrades coming here from Maputo or Swaziland to bring their clothing with them. Apparently these centres advise such comrades not to take clothes as they will be provided for here!

Clearing agents for air freight from donors. Apparently some donors address goods - this applies mainly to SOMAF COS to clearing agents in Dar. Deliveries take twice as long to effect, storage charges mount up and a commission has to be paid. It would be appreciated if each donor could be asked to address directly to SOMAF COS, ANC, etc.

Enclosed Bills of Lading and acknowledgement of latest gift from USSR. ,

Fraternally,

Rica Hodgson

Secretary.