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SPONSOR'S REPORT OF ANC STUDENT SISA NCWANA

1 BACKGROUND

Sisa Ncwana came to Finland on October 1985 by decision made by Developing Country Association of the Coalition Party. It was agreed with ANC Scandinavian Mission on giving to Ncwana a three-years-scholarship to study economics in Finland.

First Ncwana stayed in Viittakivi-Institute to learn some Finnish language and then he moved to Tampere in order to study economics at the University of Tampere.

2 NCWANA'S STUDIES AT TAMPERE UNIVERSITY

Ncwana took courses on economics and business administration. His ability to speak or write in Finnish was not very good and that caused some problems with his studies.

His success with his studies on sponsor's view wasn't very good one. During two terms he passed only few exams and took courses on basic level of economics and business administration.

Ncwana complained that the whole system at Tampere University was not very good one and he wanted to move to Helsinki.

3 NCWANA'S STAYING IN HELSINKI

Ncwana moved to Helsinki during summer 1987 by his own decision. He didn't contact his sponsors before doing that. One reason was that secretary of Developing Country Association, Ms. Tuula Syrjälä, was spending her holidays abroad and Ncwana couldn't get touch with her.

He organized his living in Helsinki by himself, he rented a flat in a student house in Helsinki. He wanted to start studies at the Helsinki School of Economics (HSE).

At the very same time the secretary of Developing Country Association changed. Ms. Syrjälä was succeeded by Ms. Anne Palm-Perälä. That caused some problems with taking care of Ncwana.

Ncwana didn't get any permission to study at the Helsinki School of Economics - mainly because his short knowledge on Finnish language - until January 1988. That means that he didn't study at all during the autumn term.

At the beginning of 1988 he was qualified to take few courses at the HSE in business administration. He wanted also to study marketing but so far he has been disqualified. He was permitted to study business economics for 20 so called "studying weeks" which means for a Finnish student about half a year's studies. In order to get a master's degree you need some 160 studying weeks.

He was studying quite hard in the beginning this year. Unfortunately the situation right now is not so good.

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FINANCIAL MATTERS

Ncwana has got the normal allowance which means 2.200 Finnish marks per one month. The sponsors have also paid his rent (FIM 323 per month).

He also has got some extra allowances (FIM 200-500) especially before Christmas and summer holidays.

He has not been very careful with his financial matters. He has been loaning money from different people and many times the sponsor has had to pay them back. There were problems during the last autumn with the payments from the sponsors side which caused some problems to Ncwana. But it seems to be so that the allowance has not been enough to Ncwana and he is lacking money every now and then.

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POLITICAL MATTERS

Ncwana has been travelling through whole Finland giving lectures and speeches about the situation on South Africa and introducing the aims and work of ANC. He has done that job very well. People have liked him and given a lot of attention to what he has been saying.

On sponsor's view he has represented ANC very well and promoted the ANC aims.

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THE FUTURE

As it was mentioned earlier, Ncwana's scholarship runs to the end next autumn. The Developing Country Association has made a formal decision to finish Ncwana's sponsoring from 1st of October 1988.

We are ready and willing to discuss with the representatives of ANC of the settlement of Ncwana's leaving.

We look forward to hearing of you and wish to continue the fruitful cooperation between the two parties.

We wish you every success in your work.

On behalf of the Developing Country Association of the
Coalition Party

Yours Sincerely,


Anne Palm-Perälä
secretary



AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS OF SOUTH AFRICA (ANC)

Representation i Sverige

*Letter sent by
express 12/8/88.*

Our ref:

Your ref:

12 August 1988

Dear Comrade Sisa,

Your sponsors, the Developing Country Association of the Coalition Party, have informed us that your three-year scholarship terminates as of 1st October 1988.

They also make the following points:

- (a) your study progress has not been good.
- (b) you changed universities on your own without prior consultations with the sponsors. Nor did you consult with the ANC mission.
- (c) though you have been that long in Finland, you have not yet mastered the language enough to facilitate your studies.
- (d) though you might have studied hard on some occasions, the situation right now is not so good.
- (e) in spite of your normal allowance, you have not been careful with your financial matters - loaning money from different people and many times the sponsor has had to pay them back.
- (f) however, the sponsors do credit you with having represented the ANC very well and promoted the ANC aims through lectures and speeches.

In the light of the above, you are advised to prepare yourself to return to Africa at the end of September 1988. We have been in contact with your sponsors. Anne Palme-Perälä will inform you about the preparations for your departure.

Please get in touch with her. Your ticket will be routed via Dar-es-salaam to Luanda.

Kindly get in touch with Comrade Muhamed Hussein (through Mrs Helena Kekkonen) who will be arriving on 20-21 August 1988 for further discussion.

Yours in the struggle,

Billy Modise

Chief Representative.

cc: Kokoomus - Anne Palme-Perälä