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## Southern Africa Education Trust Fund

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January 3, 1990



Charles Novogrodsky President, Human Rights Leadership for a Democratic South Africa 5 Rossmore Road Toronto, Ontario M6G 2M6

Dear Charles:

Thank you for your letter of December 24, 1990 which we received on January 3, 1991. We also received on that date a copy of a memo from Liz Sheehy to Pius Langa and Zola Skweyiya. You will have seen from your copy of Liz' memo that there are both similarities and differences in what Lawyers Against Apartheid and your group are proposing.

As you know, our consultant, Prakash Diar, is currently in South Africa working out the details of SAETF support for the proposals of the ANC Department of Legal and Constitutional Affairs. You mentioned that your letter to Zola Skweyiya and Pius Langa was sent via Prakash.

I want to hear what Prakash has to say after his consultations and then, perhaps, propose to both HRLDSA (Toronto) and LAA (Ottawa) that you work out ways (we will supply the means) to integrate your exchange programmes.

I plan to get back to you as soon as I have consulted with Prakash. We remain committed to this important programme and we hope that our Canadian arrangements will not delay the selection of candidates from South Africa.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Puritt Executive Director Dearthous Proleine



# HUMAN RIGHTS LEADERSHIP FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOUTH AFRICA A Joint Canada-ANC Project

December 24, 1990

Mr. Paul Puritt

Executive Director

South Africa Education Trust Fund

1 Nicholas Street, Suite 604

Ottawa, Ontario KlN 787

Dear Paul Puritt:

Enclosed please find the budget for the proposed exchange, March 1991, in the legal sector organized by Human Rights Leadership for a Democratic South Africa.

You will have received a copy of the letter that HRLDSA has sent via Prakash Diar to Pius Langa of NADEL and Zola Skwyiya to confirm final details for the exchange with five lawyers from South Africa.

With this letter I am formally requesting release of the \$30,000.00 grant from the Trust Fund.

We have a tremedous number of arrangements to attend to in

January 1991 once we receive a response confirming final travel

details from South Africa. Your cooperation in disbursing the grant,
to be administered through HRLDSA's co-signed chequing account.

5 Rossmore Road Toronto, Ontario, Canada M6G 2M6 Fax (416) 925-9000 will greatly facilitate our ability to provide for the full exchange dialogue that is our mandate.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please, as always, feel free to contact us with any further information you may require.

Yours sincerely,

Charles Novogradsky

President, Human Rights Leadership for a Democratic South Africa

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cc. Prakash Diar, SAETF
Karen Mundv, SAETF

#### Budget

#### HRLDSA Legal Sector Exchange March 1991

#### 21 day

| Return airfare (5 persons, Jo'burg - Toronto) Toronto - Ottawa airfare (5 persons) Accommodation (\$75/night x 5 persons x 21 nights) Subsistence Allowance (\$32/day x 5 persons x 21 day Health Insurance (5.00/day x 5 persons x 21 days) | \$10,000.00<br>1,000.00<br>7,875.00<br>s) 3,360.00<br>315.00 |
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| SUB-TOTAL 21 day Travel/Room & Board/Insurance   | * 22,550.00  |

## Administration

| Stationery                | 100.00  |
|---------------------------|---------|
|                           | 500.00  |
| Postage & Fax             | 1000.00 |
| Photocopy                 | 1000.00 |
| Clerical<br>Miscellaneous | 1000.00 |
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# SUB-TOTAL Administration \* 3,600.00

#### Program

| Meeting Space                       | 2,300.00 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Meeting Materials                   |          |
| Guest Travel, Room & Board          | 1,000.00 |
| (\$100/day for 2 guests for 5 days) |          |

|            | * 3,850.00 |  |
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#### Total

21 day Exchange: \$30,000.00

#### FACULTÉ DE DROIT FACULTY OF LAW

Mr. Colin McNairn
Barrister & Solicitor
Ontario Insurance Commission
5160 Yonge St.
16th Floor
North York, Ontario
M2N 6L9

Dear Colin:

After much reflection I have decided to resign from the Human Rights Leadership for a Democratic South Africa organization and as a member of the HRLDSA Lawyers' Exchange Committee.

It is clear that the logistics of my presence in Ottawa makes my effective participation in meetings in Toronto impossible. This has been most clear given the preference of the committee for week day meetings. I can certainly appreciate the time constraints of my Toronto colleagues, however, this means that I have been unable to attend any of the recent meetings.

I will be continuing as the Chair of the Lawyers Against Apartheid committee and look forward to working with you on the Ottawa component of the exchange.

Could you please convey my regrets to the rest of the committee. I am certain that we will all have the opportunity to work together on other initiatives in the future.

All the best.

Yours truly,

Joanne St. Lewis

cc: Charlie Novogrodsky



### FACULTÉ DE DROIT FACULTY OF LAW

TO:

Pius Langa President

National Association of Democratic Lawyers

and

Zola Skweyiya

Head

Legal and Constitutional Department

African National Congress

FROM:

Liz Sheehy

Lawyers Against Apartheid

RE:

Lawyer Exchange Program

DATE:

December 21, 1990

This memorandum is to confirm the results of a meeting between Pius Langa and myself in Capetown on December 1. 1990, regarding the design of the lawyer exchange program. My notes indicate that the agreed proposal would be as follows:

 one week preparation in Toronto through seminars and resource persons

then the five lawyers would be sent off to different parts of Canada for intensive training in the following areas:

- Aboriginal Peoples ( self-government, land claims, residual sex discrimination and loss of status by Aboriginal women, language rights and literacy, etc.) -- Saskatchewan
- 2) the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms (focus on the use of the Charter to challenge systemic racism, including the Cole Harbour lawsuit against the police and the Black Parents'Association lawsuit against the Nova Scotia School Board re: the inequality of educational services and resources provided to the black community, the Court Challenges federal funding program, etc.) --Halifax, Nova Scotia
- Women's Rights (Pay Equity, Intercede-the Domestic Workers association, women's Legal Education and ACTION Fund (LEAF), the Canadian Advisory Council COMMON LAW

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on the Status of Women, Congress of Black Women, etc.) -- Toronto, Ontario

- 4) Workers' Rights (the impact of the Canadian Charter of Rights upon collective bargaining, compensation for accidents and disease, maternity and parental benefits, sexual harassment, etc.) -- Ottawa, Ontario
- 5) Judicial Training (the Canadian Judicial Council, appointments processes, the Canadian Judicial Centre-which is responsible for the training of all Canadian Judges, lay magistrates training in the Northwest Territories, etc.) -- Northwest Territories
- return to Toronto to report back, de-brief, critique program and make recommendations for future exchanges
- we agreed that at least two of the SA lawyers would be women, but since that time, I have been asked to request that three of the lawyers be women, and that they be chosen in consultation winthe ANC Women's league.

Since our meeting we in Ottawa have received a communication from the Toronto group, Human Rights Leadership for a Democratic South Africa (HRLDSA), dated December 17, 1990, which contains a program which is substantially different which contains a program which is substantially different which that which Pius and I discussed. It also leaves no time or money for the proposed travel and intensive sessions, and it leaves five days for the Ottawa component.

We propose at this stage to try to develop a truncated and stationary version of the prior proposal, within the constraints of the five days allotted by HRLDSA's latest proposal. Our development of this portion of the program would be greatly facilitated by direct contact between our would be greatly facilitated by direct contact between our organizations. You can contact either myself or Ms. Joanne organizations, who is the Chair of the Lawyers Against Apartheid Lawyers' Exchange Committee.

Two parallel, intensive programs could be set up to focus on Aboriginal Peoples and Judicial Education. Both would be in Aboriginal Peoples and Judicial Education. Both would be in Ottawa, and would incorporate and highlight issues of race, class and sex. Our original proposal should be consulted in the interim. LAA will be meeting to flesh out this revised proposal early in January and will communicate with you shortly thereafter.

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With very best wishes,

Elizabeth Sheehy
President, LAA
Associate Professor of Law

cc: Colin McNairn Paul Puritt



COLIN H.H. McNAIRN Direct Line (416) 863-4726

December 19, 1990

#### DELIVERED BY COURIER

Mr. Prakash Diar Consultant South African Education Trust Fund 1 Nicholas Street, Suite 604 Ottawa, Ontario K1N 7B7

#### Dear Prakash:

I enclose two copies of a letter to Pius Langa and Zola Skweyiya, and an appended draft outline of an exchange programme, for you to deliver to, and discuss with, Pius and Zola on your forthcoming trip to South Africa. I also enclose extra copies for you and Paul Puritt.

As you will have gathered from Joanne St. Lewis, we seem to have received some rather different messages as to what is wanted in terms of the location of the sessions and the tailoring of the programme to individual, as opposed to group, interests. believe that the proposed programme reflects what we learned from Pius in our meeting with him and through his fax message of Nov. 26. Perhaps you would be good enough to explain that and the constraints of funding, timing and logistics that we are operating under.

There are a few requests in the enclosed letter that we would like to get responses to at the earliest opportunity. Consequently, if you are in a position to provide us with any such responses or more particulars of the preferred detail of the programme before the evening of January 9, when we next meet, please do so by fax at 416-590-7073 or 416-863-4592. I would be pleased to discuss any of this with you by phone before your departure. I can be reached at 416-590-7270 or at home at 416-423-0794.

Have a good trip.

Yours sincerely,

Toronto North York Ottawa Hong Kong

Colin McNairn

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COLIN H.H. McNAIRN Direct Line (416) 863-4726

December 19, 1990

#### DELIVERED BY HAND

Mr. Pius Langa President National Association of Democratic Lawyers

and

Mr. Zola Skweyiya Director Department of Legal and Constitutional Affairs African National Congress

Dear Pius and Zola:

#### Human Rights Leadership for a Democratic South Africa -A Joint Canada- ANC Project

I enclose a draft schedule and programme for the proposed visit of five lawyers to Canada in March, 1991, which Prakash Diar has kindly agreed to deliver to you later this month and to discuss with you. The Ottawa sub-committee of our group has not had a chance to meet since receipt of your fax of November 26 but I understand that you have been able to have some discussion with Liz Sheehey, of the Ottawa committee, on her recent visit to South Africa. More detail will be provided shortly on the Ottawa segment. I trust that we can now treat the basic outline of the programme and the timing as firm.

While we would hope that those whom you select to participate would be interested in all of the topics, it may be possible to make arrangements for any individual who wants to split away from the group, on occasion, in order to pursue some special interest. We would need to know well in advance if such arrangements are to be made.

We would like to get a more precise idea of what you had in mind when you indicated that an interest had been expressed in the organization of civic and local government structures. Many of our municipal institutions are the product of our own peculiar history, but I am sure there are, nonetheless, many aspects of local government that are worth exploring in a comparative dialogue - its just that we need a little more guidance as to what would be

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most beneficial.

We would make travel arrangements from this end but will need to do so in January in order to take advantage of the best fares. Once reservations are made there is unlikely to be any opportunity to change the travel schedule. When you provide us with the names of the participants perhaps you could indicate preferred travelling times and points of departure.

We look forward to hearing from you through Prakash on his return to Canada.

Yours, sincerely,

Colin H. H. McNairn

cc. Paul Puritt and Prakash Diar South African Education Trust Fund, Ottawa

Peter Mahlangu ANC Office, Toronto