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Chairman or Council
University of Fort Hare
please reply to
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OLIVER TAMBO:
Dear Dr Tambo
FAX No: (081) 883 0629
in 'the year,
probably towards the end of 10otober.
Thank you very much for your 2 fax messages of the 8th and the
11th of March. We would now like to move ahead with the press
release in the next few days. We shall announce that you have
been elected Chancellor by the University of Fort Hare but the
installation of you as Chancellor will not take place until later
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The
tentatiVe date (which I shall confirm with you as soon as
is Saturday the 19th of October. Effectively your
Chancellorship will begin on that date although as soon as the
news is made public you will be the Chancellor Elect. Until the
installation I do not think that you will be expected to do
anything at all unless you wish to say something to the press.
However that too could perfectly well wait until the installation
when, naturally, we should like you to make a speech if you are
willing to do so. You say that you are in London until June of
this year and ask if this is awkward. Not at all. We simply want
to make the announcement now but are more than happy, indeed it
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it must remain
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that the Search and Selection

Committee met a few days ago to interview 5 persons for the position of Vice Chancellor. After rigorous interviews, long and careful debate, the committee came to the unanimous conclusion that it: would like to recommend Dr Sibusieo

Bengu for the

selection.-This still has to go through the Executive Committee of Council and to be approved of by Council members as a whole but we expect to make that announcement fairly soon.

delighted by this turn of events and feel that we have got a really good person to lead the University in the years ahead. I know that you know Dr Bengu and I am sure that you will share our pleasure in his selection.

this opportunity in

expressing my deep gratitude to you in being willing to take on the position o}Chanoellor of Fort Hare. I can think of nobody on earth more suited to this position.

We are honoured and touched

and filled with hope by your ${\tt COmmitmeht}$ to the University of Fort Here.

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