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The Presidential Secretary,  
African National Congress (SA),  
Lusaka.

Dear Comrade,

This is to acknowledge receipt of the six letters from your office all dated the 3rd November, 1977. The position regarding matters raised <sup>as</sup> follows:

- i. Youth and October: As I have already informed you, the delegation to this meeting has already been formed and both the delegates and the Soviet authorities have been notified.
- ii. Role of London Office: After discussions with Comrade Nkobi, it appears that London has misconstrued the basic idea, which is, that the London office is not the sole office in Europe and must work out a system of coordination with the other missions in Rome and Stockholm. We are writing to them to clarify matters.

The reference to letters to be acknowledged does of course reflect the handicap we have due to non-existence of permanent secretarial staff for this office. It was also an ironical reference to the fact that since London <sup>has</sup> now <sup>a</sup> employed <sup>a</sup> qualified Secretary -typist, they can now afford to write separate letters for each item they wish to raise, whereas we still raise all issues in one letter in our reply.

In any case most of the items they raised had already been attended to and they were given the answers, either by phone or through the intermediary of an ANC official to London.

- iii. I.E.U.F. Meeting. The matter has been referred to the working group.
- iv. Delegation of French C.P. The matter has been referred to the working group.
- v. Comrade Singh: Acknowledged receipt by action pending instructions from

the S.G.

vi. Scandinavian Institute of African Studies.

We shall acknowledge receipt.

Amandla! Maatla!

S. Mfenyana. *Mfenyana*  
pp. Secretary General.