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The Namibians have access to considerable amounts of new donor monies and, with the backing of the Local Government Minister, Dr Libertina Amathila, we are confident they will raise funds for all their participants to cover all their costs.

SAFER has begun to organise initial visits, 30 July - 1 August, by groups of delegates to Harare/Morondera/Chinhoyi and to Bulawayo and small towns nearby. The conference is booked at Victoria Falls Hotel 2 - 5 August, 1990.

I am aware of the earlier Canadian funded meetings held in which you were involved. This visit/conference is being organised in response to clear requests from Namibia and Cape Town and Grahamstown. I would appreciate what advise you may think useful and your participation.

We look forward to you providing the receiving ANC support soon. I presume you will refer direct to Foreign Affairs copy to ourselves.

Best wishes.

Yours,

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Dear Jaya,

## CONFERENCE TO REVIEW ZIMBABWE'S EXPERIENCE IN ONE CITY MANAGEMENT SINCE INDEPENDENCE WITH SOUTH AFRICAN AND NAMIBIAN PARTICIPATION

We have been advised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that in order to facilitate the visit by the South Africans to the Urban Open City Conference scheduled to be held from 30 July - 5 August 1990, a recommendation should come from the ANC who should then endorse this exercise with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

SAFER has been involved in creating dialogue on economic issues in the southern Africa region. A growing component of this dialogue has become that of urban management. Last year, with SWAPO's support we brought a group of mayors, town clerks and black township managers from Namibia to spend a week in Zimbabwe visiting Harare and Chinhoyi as well as industrialists, bankers and the relevant ministries. That was a great success and led to a request by the Government-to-be in Namibia that we repeat the exercise but with a conference as the focal point at which serious papers would be presented by Zimbabweans to be taken away as key information for Namibian delegates.

In September and again in November last year SAFER was involved in meetings of the "Open City Initiatives" of Cape Town and Grahamstown. At these meetings we presented an outline of what has happened to Zimbabwe cities and pulled out key principles that we thought were of importance to South Africa. They have now received financial backing from IDASA which covers return airfares for forty South Africans. They will try to raise funds for the South Africans' local transport and hotel costs in Zimbabwe. We have agreed that we will also try and raise additional funds here in Harare.

The result of those meetings has been a desire by these two cities to explore further the lessons of Zimbabwe. And are now discussing a common list of participants which will undoubtedly include a few other figures beyond Cape Town and Gramhamstown.



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Thursday; 29th March, 1990.

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Dear Mr. Mongalo,

I wish to thank you for your letter dated 21st July, 1989. You advised me to "keep in contact with the London office" and I have done so. I wrote to Mr. Msimang, your Chief Representative (U.K. and Ireland) on 280789, 161089, 040290, and 130390 and I am still anxiously waiting to learn the result of my application dated 21st March, 1989.

I was very pleased to see Mr. Wilton Mkwai in London on Thursday, 8th February; and I was pleased to speak to Mr. Mkwai over the telephone when he was in London on 13th March, 1990. In my letter to Mr. M. Msimang dated 4th February, 1990 I wrote: "Should he (Mr. Wilton Mkwai) come (to London) I should be glad if you would draw his attention to my letter dated 21st March, 1989 and I should be glad if you would ask Wilton whether he supports my application". I understand that Wilton did speak to Mr. Msimang and I hope that I will soon learn the result of my application.

Yours sincerely,

*L. S. Gay.*  
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