MEMO

TO: THE LIBRABRIAN, SOMAFOO FROM: THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR

DATEE 2/3/1987

Dear Comrade Marjatta,

Re: Hibrary Staff

I refer to your letter of 25 February, 1987 to comrade Tikly about the library staff still needed. I am fully aware of the workload that is building up with more books arriving.

Your suggestion to offset the shortage is that at least two librarians could come for solidarity work during their holidays in May-July. Whilst this would be a temporary measure, the problem would still be with us. My long term suggestion is that you should compile a full list of the library personnel, taking into account our comrades on training. Spell out the urgently needed qualified staff.

I would like to point out that the Government is rather weary in granting work permits to outsiders, particularly when such skill can be obtained locally. In the case of library staff, they have quiet a number of personnel without employment. This being the case, it would be difficult for them to allow in a solidarity worker for this type of work and I think this view from a realistic political view is reasonble.

I, therefore, strongly recommend that you decide on how many trainee librarians could we request from the Tanzanian library School for their practicals here in Mazimbu. The sooner we come up with the number all the better. Shall I suggest end of next week?

In the Year of Advance to People's Power

T.K Maseko

Chief Administrator

cc. The Director, Mazimbu
The Education Co-ordinator
The NEC Special Representative