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Dear Hintsa,

We would like to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 18th October for which we thank you. We were grateful for the information contained therein.

It is interesting to note that you are already starting your work with the PAYM with a big bang judging from the long itinerary that you will be undertaking through the length and breadth of the African Continent. We wish to congratulate you and hope that you will successfully accomplish your mission.

Looking through the list of countries that you are due to visit, we note that a lot can be done by way of establishing firm contact between the various Youth contingents you will be meeting and the Youth Section of our movement.

Kenya is of special interest to us because although fundamentally the Republic of Kenya still maintains its basic line of opposing the brutal regime of terror in our country, leading government circles have in the past made statements which tend to contradict or compromise this stand. An example of this is their opposition to the Mogadishu Declaration recently adopted by the East and Central African countries. In our view, this is a very important document especially when viewed in the background of the renewed offensive by South Africa and her imperialist allies for the acceptance of the dialogue manoeuvre in an attempt to offset the gains of the OAU June Summit. The Mogadishu Declaration ought to have been supported by all countries sincerely opposed to the racist regime of terror in our country.

We need therefore to establish former contact with the younger generation of countries such as those ~~countries~~ in order to be able to exert pressure from below. Generally, it will still be necessary to rally the young people in Africa firmly behind the solid rejection of the dialogue question which still remains an important political issue on the African Continent. We need to constantly stress the dangers inherent in this manoeuvre linking it up with imperialist manoeuvres in other directions such as the renewed attempts by British imperialism to settle the so-called independence issue with Rhodesia which in effect is aimed at a gigantic sell-out in the interest of strengthening the unholy alliance in Southern Africa against the interests of independent Africa and the national liberation movement in Rhodesia and elsewhere.

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We are looking forward to seeing you in Tanzania and we shall take the opportunity for a further exchange of views on your experiences. The Youth and students Secretariat is likewise looking forward to your visit and it will be good if you keep close contact with them as well.

With warm regards and best wishes.

AMANDLA MAATLA!!!

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