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Our Ref.:  
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Comrade Thabo Mbeki,  
Head, DIA.,  
P. O. Box 31791,  
LUSAKA

Dear Comrade Thabo,  
During the month of August this Mission received a message from comrade Msimang informing that comrade Sindelo was in the UK and desired to come to Reggio Emilia for rest and treatment. We contacted the office of the mayor of Reggio Emilia who said that he as mayor had no objections but a firm response to the request would come after the council had deliberated on the matter. At that point in time council stood adjourned because of summer holidays.

On my last visit to Lusaka, DIA had no knowledge of the aforementioned. This Mission is in doubt as to whether it should persue this matter also in view of not having received instructions through headquarters except for the message that was received from the UK. In the meantime, on my arrival from Zambia on September 5, I learnt that comrade Sindelo had Rome and so on. In Lusaka I was not told about the visit to this station and what arrangements he had entered into.

On Monday October 16, a telex arrived here from comrade Sindelo it was addressed to comrade Soncini persuing the matter that was raised through our UK office through comrade Mendi. In the circumstances this Mission hereby requests guidance through DIA as to whether the request for a rest and treatment still stands and if so which of the two should be persued as the official ANC request? Please advise as to what is to be done in this situation.

NB: Will be away from acme as from 18 to 28 attending UIL Congress and meeting COSATU delegation attending. Will also go on to Torino to meet mayor. Torino has given honorary citizenship to comrade Mandela.

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Chief Representative