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His Majesty

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Your Majesty,

RE: SOUTH AFRICAN EXILE STUDENTS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM
The Luthuli Memorial Trust presents its compliments to Your
Majesty and has the honour to submit the Following appeal to
Your Majesty:

As Your Majesty is aware, the last 40 years of apartheid in South Africa have done indescribable damage to the black people of South Africa. The Treason Trial (1956-60); Sharpeville (1960); The Rivonia Trial (1963); The Student Rebellion (1976); Inkathagate (1992); Boipatong (1992), mark some of the highlights of the tragedy that apartheid has brought on our people. Little wonder that leaders of all . the great religions of the World have called it a heresy or a sin. The United Nations has described it as a Crime against Humanity.

One of the results of this crime is that large numbers of our young people have Fled South Africa into exile in the Frontline States of Southern Africa and as far afield as Europe and America. Large numbers of these people came to the African National Congress (ANC) For all-round assistance.

In response to their cries, the ANC established the Luthuli Memorial Trust (LMT). This is an educational, welfare and cultural body established by the ANC, First, to honour the name of the late Chief Albert J Luthuli, President-General of the ANC, 1952-1967; secondly, to provide scholarships for black South Africans to enable them to obtain the education that apartheid denied them in South Africa; thirdly, to provide these students with welfare services For their upkeep; fourthly, to keep our culture alive in the diaspora. #MM

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The scholarship programme was intended to help train and educate as many of our people as possible in all walks of life (i.e. Education, Law, Medicine, Engineering, Agriculture, Administration, Science, Technology, Economics, etc.) so that once a new democratically elected Government was in place, that Government would have at least a fair number of properly educated people to help run the country and lead it away From apartheid Tto democracy. In this connection the LMT has trained a number of students since 1982.

Today, the LMT sponsors about 54 students in the United Kingdom. We are unable to train more for lack of funds. In fact we are finding it difficult to support even the ones we currently sponsor. All of them are needy; all have no Financial or other resources of their own; all depend on us For tuition fees, rent, food, clothes, books, medical/dental/opthalmological fees, transport, etc. Some of these students are married and have children to look after, and since they do not have the means to do so (and are not allowed to work here) they look to the LMT for allround assistance and support. Each of these students costs the LMT \$12 000 per annum. This is far more money than the LMT can master. The donors we have relied on over the years are now very reluctant to Finance us. Some are looking to Eastern Europe; others say our students should return to South Africa, even before they complete the courses of study they are pursuing. This is not possible. And so we are stuck with what seems to be an impossible problem. It is here that we turn to Your Majesty for assistance. We are desperate. We need your help urgently. We estimate that &800 000.00 over two years would solve the immediate problem facing us and our students. Since we are no longer admitting new students on this programme, we expect to wind up in December 1993, when most of these students will have Finished their studies and returned to South Africa to contribute to the ongoing re-structuring of our society. We believe that Your Majesty will, as in the past, respond sympathetically to our appeal. We should be ever grateful. We attach to this letter four self-explanatory documents: one from Mr Nelson R Mandela, President, ANC, the LMT Project Document, List of Students and a historical note on the LMT.

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ourselves of this opportunity to renew to Your
We avail
assurances of our highest esteem and
Majesty the
consideration.
Yours sincerely
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