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October 24, 1990
5 Heshvan 5751

Hyman Bookbinder
Public Affairs Counsellor
2027 Massachusetts Ave, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Hy:

Just a note to advise that Alex is out of the country and not due to return until mid November. He is attending the Jewish Agency meetings in Israel and will return to New York by way of Chicago and Washington where he has speaking engagements.

I note that you have shared the chain letter with David Saperstein, so I am copying him and also Al Vorspan. You ought to know that neither Alex nor Al become involved in chain letters. I don't know how David feels about them, but even if Alex were here he would not be able to undertake your request.

With warm good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Edith J. Miller
Assistant to the President

cc: Rabbi David Saperstein
Albert Vorspan

Hyman Bookbinder

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October 19, 1990

Dear Alex:

I received the enclosed letter from Judith Kipper, who asked me to join in a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private bag, Rondedsbosch 7700, SOUTH AFRICA.

I am more than willing to express my commitment to the abolition of apartheid as consistent with the promotion of human rights and civil liberties. Could you continue the chain by writing a similar letter of support, and also amplify your message by asking ten colleagues to join in the effort, copying your letter to Dr. Mboya.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,



Hyman Bookbinder

cc: Dr. M. Mboya
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September 27, 1990

Mr. Hyman Bookbinder
American Jewish Committee
2027 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20036

Dear Hyman:

I received the enclosed letters from Alton Frye, who asked me to join in a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondedsbosch 7700, SOUTH AFRICA.

I am more than willing to express my commitment to the abolition of apartheid as consistent with the promotion of human rights and civil liberties. Could you continue the chain by writing a similar letter of support, and also amplify your message by asking ten colleagues to join in the effort, copying your letter to Dr. Mboya.

Many thanks.

Sincerely,



Judith Kipper

cc: Dr. M. Mboya
Alton Frye

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October 1, 1990
12 Tishri 5751

Mr. Benjamin L. Hooks
Chairperson
and
Mr. Ralph G. Neas
Executive Director
Leadership Conference on Civil Rights
2027 Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Dear Ben and Ralph:

It distresses me to be negative in responding to your September 21 request for additional dues for 1990. Alas, however, circumstances and the UAHC budgetary situation are such that I have no other choice. Please know that the inability of the UAHC to provide supplemental funding at this time in no way denies the critical nature of the multi-faceted program of the Leadership Conference. To the contrary, all of us take great pride in our affiliation with the LCCR and the superb work it undertakes.

We are on a stringent budget, with a Board mandate not to permit any budgetary deficit. Indeed, we monitor departmental spending on a month-to-month basis so that there are no excesses to surprise us at year ending. We simply do not have a contingency line which will allow a special payment to the LCCR at this time.

Of course, should we find that an additional contribution will be possible at some time during our fiscal year, you may be certain we will consider a special one-time gift to the LCCR.

With every good wish and warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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DRAFT to Ralph Neas and Ben Hooks

re: request for supplemental dues / 1990

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Leadership Conference on Civil Rights

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UAHC
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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

This is a request for a supplemental dues payment for 1990.

To say the least, 1990 has been an extraordinary hectic legislative year. Most of LCCR's legislative priorities have been on the front burner. And, as you know well, many of them have passed both Houses of Congress, including the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Hate Crimes Statistics Act, the Family and Medical Leave Act (we will be back!), and the Civil Rights Act of 1990.

These and other legislative campaigns have required an enormous expenditure of funds. And we still face a challenging Finish to the Second session. First, we must work hard to ensure the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1990. Right now we are a few votes short of the two-thirds majorities in the House and the Senate that may be needed if this bill is to become law. To retain our current supporters and to pick up new votes, we will have to implement successfully our lobbying, media, and grassroots strategies.

Second, the Senate Judiciary Committee began hearings on September 13 on the nomination of David Souter to the United States Supreme Court. With so much at stake, we must make sure that the Senate takes its constitutional responsibility of advice and consent seriously and that there is no rush to judgment.

To accomplish our 1990 coalition objectives, we need your financial help. Many thanks!

With warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

Ralph G. Neas
Executive Director

Benjamin L. Hooks
Chairperson

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DONALD R. MINTZ
201 ST. CHARLES AVENUE, 35TH FLOOR
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70170
August 24, 1990

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler
President
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
838 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Dear Alex:

I have received the enclosed letters from Madlyn B. Bagneris, Executive Vice President, Metropolitan Area Committee, who asked me to join the continuation of the chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of Africa, Private Bag, Rondenbosch 7700, South Africa.

I am more than willing to express my commitment to the abolition of apartheid in South Africa as consistent with the promotion of human rights and civil liberties. Could you continue the chain of support by writing ten other colleagues and ask them to join our efforts by writing a similar letter of support, with a copy to Dr. Mboya?

With kind personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Donald
Donald R. Mintz

DRM/jpw
cc: Dr. M. Mboya

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Metropolitan Area Committee

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July 18, 1990

Mr. Donald Mintz
Sessions & Fishman
201 St. Charles Avenue, 35th Floor
New Orleans, LA 70170

Dear Donald:

I have received the enclosed letters from Ronald Mason, Jr., Senior Vice-President and General Council, Tulane University, who asked me to join the continuation of the chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

Madlyn B. Bagneris
Executive Vice-President

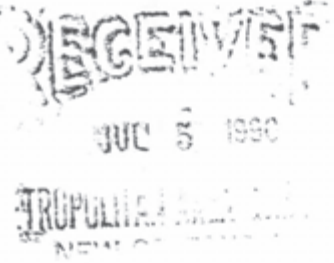
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*Office of the Senior Vice President
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June 27, 1990

Madlyn Richards
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New Orleans, LA 70112

Dear Madlyn:

I have received the enclosed letters form Edwin R. Golden, Vice President, Business and Finance, Bowie State University, who asked me to join the continuation of the chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

Ronald Mason, Jr.
Senior Vice President
and General Counsel

cc: Dr. Mboya
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Bowie State University

May 7, 1990

Dr. Ronald Mason
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Tulane University
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Dear Ronald:

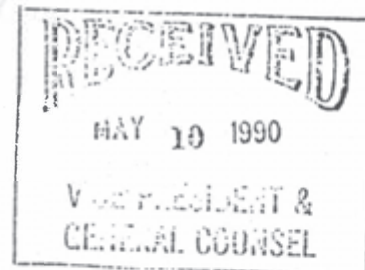
I have received the enclosed letters from Betty Miller, Director, Auxiliary Services Johns Hopkins University, who asked me to join the continuation of the chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

Edwin R. Golden
Edwin R. Golden, Vice President
Business and Finance

cc: Dr. Mboya
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April 20, 1990

Mr. Edwin R. Golden
Vice President Business & Finance
Bowie State University
14000 Jericho Pk. Rd.
Bowie, MD 20715

Dear Bob:

I have received the enclosed letters from Chris Colombo, Dean of Homewood Schools Services of The Johns Hopkins University, who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

Bettye
Bettye M. Miller
Director, Auxiliary Enterprises

cc: Dr. Mboya

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Homewood Schools Services
Office of the Dean

April 18, 1990

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Baltimore, Maryland 21218
(301) 338-7875

Ms. Bettye M. Miller
108 Merryman Hall
Homewood Campus

Dear Bettye:

I have received the enclosed letters from Dr. Steven Muller, President of The Johns Hopkins University, who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

Chris Colombo
Dean, Homewood Schools Services

CJC:mms

C: Dr. Mboya

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Steven Muller
President

April 3, 1990



Dean Chris Colombo
118 Merryman Hall
Homewood Campus

Dear Chris:

I have received the enclosed letters from Dr. Morris E. Chafetz, President of the Health Education Foundation, who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

SM/bls

cc: Dr. Mboya

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Steven Muller, Ph.D.
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Dear Steve:

I have received the enclosed letters from Howard Blane, Ph.D., who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,



Morris E. Chafetz, M.D.

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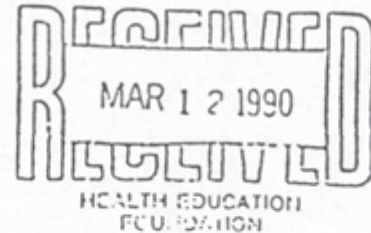


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March 8, 1990

Morris E. Chafetz, M.D.
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Suite 452
Washington, D.C. 20037



Dear Morrie:

I have received the enclosed letters from Michael Kohn, Ph.D., who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

Howard T. Blane

HTB:hhb

cc: Dr. Mboya

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Howard Blane, Ph.D.
 Research Institute on Alcoholism
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 Buffalo, New York 14203

Dear Howard:

I have received the enclosed letters from Carole Siegel, Ph.D., who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 7700, South Africa.

I am more than willing to express my commitment to the abolition of apartheid in South Africa as consistent with the promotion of human rights and civil liberties. Could you continue the chain of support by writing to ten other colleagues you know personally and ask them to join our efforts by writing a similar letter of support, with a copy to Dr. Mboya?

Sincerely yours,

Michael Kohn, Ph.D.
 Chief,
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Michael Kohn Ph.D.
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Dear Mickey:

I have received the enclosed letters from Eugene Laska, Ph.D. who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 770, South Africa.

I am more than willing to express my commitment to the abolition of apartheid in South Africa as consistent with the promotion of human rights and civil liberties. Could you continue the chain of support by writing to ten other colleagues you know personally and ask them to join our efforts by writing a similar letter of support with a copy to Dr. Mboya?

Sincerely,

Carole Siegel
 Carole Siegel, Ph.D.
 Head
 Epidemiology & Health
 Services Research Laboratory
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 Epidemiology Division

CS:ew
 cc: Dr. Mboya
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Eugene Naylor, Jr.
 Deputy Director
 Institute Administration

February 1, 1990

Carole Siegel, Ph.D.
 Nathan Kline Institute
 Orangeburg, NY 10962

Dear Carole:

I have received the enclosed letters from Dr. Wagner Bridger who asked me to join the continuation of a chain letter supporting the demand to abolish apartheid in South Africa. It has been initiated by Dr. M. Mboya, Department of Education, University of South Africa, Private Bag, Rondebosch 770, South Africa.

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Sincerely,

Eugene Laska, Ph.D.
 Director
 Statistical Sciences &
 Epidemiology Division

EL:ew
 cc: Dr. Mboya

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Dear Doctor Bridger:

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I am more than willing to express my commitment to the abolition of apartheid in South Africa as consistent with the promotion of human rights and civil liberties. Could you continue the chain of support by writing to ten other colleagues you know personally and ask them to join our efforts by writing a similar letter of support with a copy to Dr. Mboya?

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Dear Mitch:

Just a note to tell you that Rabbi Schindler is out of the country and not expected back for another week. I know he will be pleased to have your letter reporting on your visit to South Africa. It must have been a really exciting and exceptional experience for you.

Let me take the liberty of enclosing herewith a copy of the prayer Rabbi Schindler delivered at the Riverside Church ceremonies in New York welcoming Nelson Mandela to our community. I think you will be interested in this, especially having just met Mr. Mandela in South Africa.

I know Alex will be grateful to you for the picture which will be a wonderful remembrance of a very special evening. It is always better late than never.

I hope life continues to be good for you and that you find fulfillment in all that you are doing. With fond regards, I am

Sincerely,

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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

I trust this letter finds you well and enjoying a restful summer. I just returned from a month in South Africa, and I am happy to report that MESAB is growing by leaps and bounds in the midst of exciting developments throughout the entire country.

It was a fascinating time to be in South Africa; there is a great feeling of optimism mixed with a fair amount of anxiety and fear. While the question of "irreversible change" remains, there was agreement that the environment for real change to occur was present. I do fear, however, that expectations are very high -- especially among young blacks I met at the universities -- and that they will not be met soon enough to satisfy these young people.

I feel very fortunate that I was able to meet Mr. Mandela in South Africa, before his exhausting and overwhelming trip to this country. It seemed quite unreal to be talking with him in his office in downtown Johannesburg!

I also had some very informative meetings with members of the South African Jewish community. Overall, I found South African Jews to be much more pragmatic and understanding about Mandela's statements regarding Arafat and the PLO. The enormous demands on both Mandela and de Klerk from their respective constituencies are often overlooked by outside observers. Mandela's alliances are certainly troubling, but there is an important context that must be considered. (I have spoken with both Al Vorspan and Lynne Landsberg about these meetings and my trip in general in an effort to keep the UAHC informed about and supported of the MESAB effort.)

I must apologize, though, for not sending the enclosed picture to you earlier. It has been many months since the *My Children! My Africa!* benefit, but I hope this photo is truly better late than never.

Please pass on my best wishes to your family.

Sincerely yours,

Mitchell Warren

P.S. I thought you might be
interested in our first
MESAB Newsletter.



NEWSLETTER

EDUCATION IS THE WEAPON OF HOPE

MEDICAL EDUCATION FOR SOUTH AFRICAN BLACKS

SPRING 1990

Sullivan Honored for Commitment to Education and Health for All

On March 28, five years after its founding, Medical Education for South African Blacks was privileged to host a distinguished gathering of 430 black and white Americans from government, medicine, academia, and business in a tribute to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, Dr. Louis Sullivan, one of MESAB's founders. Members of Congress, the Executive branch, and the Supreme Court; presidents and deans of leading universities and medical schools; health care and civic leaders; and ranking corporate executives attended the black-tie dinner to salute the Secretary and demonstrate their support for MESAB's mission.

Black students in the health professions at South African universities will benefit directly from the evening. The proceeds will more than double the MESAB Scholarship Fund, which is now helping over 200 students at eight universities. MESAB President Herbert Kaiser also announced the establishment of a six-year Louis W. Sullivan Scholarship in Medicine in recognition of Dr. Sullivan's dedication to improving health care delivery for black South Africans.

Donald Kennedy, President of Stanford University and Chairman of the Board of MESAB, presided over the evening. He praised Dr. Sullivan for his long-standing commitment to health, education, and public service: "We thank you not only for your work with MESAB but for what you are doing everywhere for the underserved and the underrepresented."

Dr. Nthato Motlana, a leading anti-apartheid activist and founding member of MESAB in South Africa, thanked Dr. Sullivan on behalf of the black South Africans who are the beneficiaries of MESAB programs.

"After seeing the many problems which confront our people, Secretary Sullivan did not condemn darkness but instead joined some of us to try and do something about the lack of qualified doctors, nurses and pharmacists -- of all health professionals," Dr. Motlana said.

Dr. Motlana brought greetings from his most famous patient, Nelson Mandela. In his statement, Mandela said, "Education and health for all are fundamental to a new South Africa. By supporting education for health, MESAB is making a real contribution to improving the lives of our people.

"Let me send special greetings to Dr. Louis Sullivan who has shown such dedication to improving opportunities in health and education in your own country as well as in mine," Mandela concluded. (Complete text on page 4.)

Dr. Sullivan referred to Mandela in his own remarks, saying, "Even as we celebrate the changes taking place in South Africa, we must heed the sober and dignified wisdom of Nelson Mandela. In the very midst of the jubilation surrounding his release after over a quarter of a century in prison, he solemnly enjoined the throngs in South Africa and in Soweto to go back to school, to study diligently and work hard, to acquire the skills that they will need for the new South Africa that all of us look forward to."

Through MESAB, Secretary Sullivan said that Americans could be involved in helping prepare for this new South Africa.

"MESAB is a vital key to a healthier and brighter future for the citizens of South Africa, for health care professionals trained through the efforts of MESAB will help to close the gap on health status between blacks and whites in South Africa. They will also help to provide the stability and the leadership for what we hope will be a peaceful transition to a new South Africa," Sullivan told the dinner audience.

In addition to honoring Dr. Sullivan, the dinner served as a significant boost to the MESAB effort by increasing public awareness of the urgent need to reduce the disparity between available health care in black and white communities in South Africa.

Dr. Motlana described the medical services for black South Africans as "absolutely primitive" and said that black South Africans suffer from preventable diseases that have been totally eradicated from white communities.

"The problem in South Africa is not that we lack facilities to provide good health care for all our inhabitants. The problem is one of mal-allocation of resources. And we blacks lack the wherewithal to attend to these problems. Out of a labor force of 22,000 doctors, only about 800 are black. And in the vast hinterlands where most of our people live, there are no medical people at all," Dr. Motlana said.

Donald Kennedy concluded the evening with the announcement that every one of the 43 tables at the dinner represented a full scholarship for one year of study in South Africa. The success of this event is particularly timely as new opportunities arise in South Africa. Both the financial returns of the event and the new friends it made put MESAB in a better position than ever to help South African blacks meet the challenge of bringing health to all South Africans.



Secretary Sullivan with Donald Kennedy

MESAB Launches Mickey Leland Scholarship Program

Secretary of Health and Human Services Louis W. Sullivan announced the launch of the Mickey Leland Pharmacy Scholarship Program in South Africa as a lasting tribute to the late Texas Congressman.

Congressman Leland, who was a trained pharmacist, was killed in plane crash in Ethiopia during one of his many trips to that troubled area.

"The goal of the Mickey Leland Scholarship fund is to provide \$100,000 a year in assistance to black South African pharmacy students. This fund will support 20 pharmacy students each year, in a country that today has only 96 pharmacists out of 28 million blacks," Secretary Sullivan said in making the announcement on behalf of MESAB.

Upon the establishment of the scholarship program dedicated to her husband, Alison Leland said, "Mickey was proud of his professional training as a pharmacist and loved to tell people that he and Hubert Humphrey were the only two to ever serve in the United States Congress.

"Mickey would applaud your efforts and would be proud to have the program bear his name."

Throughout his twelve years representing Houston in Congress, Mickey Leland fought tirelessly for the rights of the hungry and the homeless, the poor and the uneducated throughout the world. His accomplishments in hunger-relief efforts in this country and throughout the African continent were tremendous, and he will long be missed by all people involved with the causes he championed.

As South African blacks prepare themselves for new opportunities and responsibilities, the need for many more pharmacists and other health professionals is critical.

"The need could not be clearer or more desperate," said Secretary Sullivan, who travelled to South Africa with MESAB in 1987.

In 1989 MESAB supported 16 students in pharmacy programs at four universities in South Africa. With the Mickey Leland Scholarship Program, MESAB will be able to expand assistance on these four campuses as well as provide additional scholarships for students at a fifth campus.

MESAB NEWSLETTER

This is the inaugural edition of a newsletter that we will send your way from time to time. After five years of operation, MESAB has built a solid and expanding base of supporters whom we want to keep informed about our activities. Thanks to IBM's recent gift of top-of-the-line equipment, we can now produce all kinds of communications much more easily and inexpensively.

Those of you who first met MESAB in its infancy will appreciate how much it has grown. All of you who have already given your support will appreciate how much more is needed to make a real attack on the overwhelming health problems of black South Africans. Those of you who are first learning about MESAB through this newsletter are encouraged to contact us for more information.

MESAB is entirely dependent on tax-deductible contributions from foundations, corporations, and individuals who believe in its unique mission. Please be one of them.

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Fugard's *My Children! My Africa!* Benefits MESAB

The importance of education in the struggle for change in South Africa is the dominant theme of Athol Fugard's newest play, *My Children! My Africa!*, and the message was conveyed brilliantly to an audience of MESAB supporters on December 13, 1989.

The event was co-chaired by Fugard, acclaimed South African actor John Kani, and South African doctor Nthato Motlana. Members of the Benefit Committee included Harry Belafonte, Tracy Chapman, Ossie Davis, Ruby Dee, John Jacob, Helene Kaplan, Mathilde Krim, Toni Morrison, Aryeh Neier, Lloyd Richards, and Paula Weinstein.

"South African blacks have been prevented by apartheid laws and practices from gaining the skills required to meet the health needs of our people. We welcome MESAB's help in empowering blacks. Blacks must prepare themselves now to man the equitable health system of the free and just society for which we are struggling," declared the three Chairmen.

Set during the tensions of the 1984 student protests in South Africa, the play chronicles the relationship between two students, played by Courtney Vance and Lisa Fugard, who are brought together in a literature competition by a devoted black teacher, played by Kani.

It was during this same period that MESAB was founded to assist in the fight for quality education and health care for South Africa's black majority. *My Children! My Africa!* therefore provided an important and emotional backdrop to the MESAB effort.

A dinner reception hosted by New York University President John Brademas followed the performance. Kani recounted the story of his mother who lives in a rural township in South Africa, hundreds of miles from any hospital. When she is in need of medical treatment, she must go to a clinic that is staffed only by a nurse who must seek medical advice over the telephone from the nearest doctor so many miles away.

Fugard, in turn, challenged his audience to continue and expand its support of the MESAB effort. Fugard eloquently expressed the necessity of well-directed humanitarian efforts in helping black South Africans build a post-apartheid South Africa.

"Everyone talks about the problems of my country and about helping my people. But MESAB truly helps my people. Through MESAB, you help to cultivate my country's greatest resource: her people. And for that I am forever indebted to you," Fugard said.

South Africa Today: A Perspective from Donald Kennedy

Our newspapers and television screens have been filled recently with the joyous faces of jubilant South Africans greeting, at long last, their towering leader Nelson Mandela. We share their joy, as we have shared their pain; and in this epidemic year of freedom we dare to hope that perhaps the long nightmare of apartheid may be ended without violence. It is a breathtaking prospect.

But beyond even that hope lies a long and difficult road. Apartheid has imposed heavy burdens of poverty, ignorance, and ill-health; and political power is only the first step towards their amelioration. Black South Africans have recognized the need to prepare for the new responsibilities that, if our hopes are realized, will soon be theirs. Training for leadership in nearly all of the occupations necessary for the supply of human services has been denied them: education for business, law, education, medicine has been allocated preferentially to the white minority, which has dominated the service professions in one of the world's most extraordinary state bureaucracies.

The provision of a new set of democratic, community-based services for a post-apartheid society is one of the great challenges facing South Africa's transition. Mandela has already emphasized education as essential to the success of blacks in taking control over their own lives. Another legacy of apartheid also demands urgent attention: it is the vastly inferior health care provided to blacks.

Visitors who look at health care institutions in that country, as I have, are immediately struck by overcrowded hospitals like Baragwanath, near Soweto -- 3,000 beds, occupancy as high as 105%. But even these represent the best and not the worst of what is available for blacks. The situation in the countryside is far worse. The health profile of blacks in South Africa is characteristic of the poorest third-world countries -- and tragically, it is arrayed alongside a first world health care system that whites enjoy. It is a grim irony that Mandela, especially in his last years in prison, received better health care than black South Africans who never set foot in a jail.

South African blacks die in shockingly greater numbers than whites from largely preventable causes. Tuberculosis, for example, has been eradicated in the white population -- yet it is a widespread killer among blacks. Measles and infectious diarrheal diseases carry off thousands of black children but few white babies. Infant mortality among blacks is seven times that of whites. Fifteen times more black children die before their fifth year than white; 55 percent of all deaths among blacks occurs between the ages of one and five.

And yet few black doctors -- to say nothing of trained people in the allied health professions -- are available to address these enormous health challenges. Out of South Africa's 28 million Africans there are fewer than 1,000 doctors, 25 dentists, 96 pharmacists, and a mere handful of physical therapists and other health professionals. A hard-worked cadre of black nurses does exist, but their skills are often unequal to the challenges they face in the absence of ancillary health workers.

Surely, health is one of the most precious of human assets; it provides the essential basis for leading a fully productive life. The new South African society that we hope will follow this one will urgently require adequate numbers of blacks who can provide leadership for a new Health care system.

Who is to guarantee the equitable distribution of health resources?

Who is to institute and manage programs of inoculation and community health that can eliminate the scourges that ravage black communities throughout the country?

Who will run the hospitals and clinics that will treat the sick and disabled?

Blacks must be prepared to play these and other roles in a fair and effective health care system.

This is an area where Americans have offered, and must continue to offer, meaningful help.

MESAB, founded in the darkest days of the anti-apartheid struggle back in 1985, is dedicated to the training of South African blacks for the health professions. With offices in Washington



Donald Kennedy is President of Stanford University and Chairman of the MESAB Board of Directors.

and Johannesburg, MESAB works primarily through providing scholarships for black students at South African universities and medical schools. It began as a shoestring operation; but last year, with support from a wide variety of individuals, foundations, and corporations, MESAB was able to help over 200 black students at seven "open" South African institutions in 11 health professions. They are selected by a multiracial South African organization and by the universities themselves.

MESAB's contribution towards bringing health for all in South Africa is a modest one, and it badly needs expansion. As South African blacks heed Mandela's call to prepare themselves for new opportunities and responsibilities, I hope that more Americans will join in helping them develop the skills needed to bring justice and democracy to South Africa. There is no more important area in which to deliver that assistance than the health sector.

Greetings from Nelson Mandela

I am happy to greet my new friends of MESAB and to express my appreciation for their hard work in helping black students become the doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and other health workers who will bring better health to all South Africans. Education and health for all are fundamental to a new South Africa. By supporting education for health, MESAB is making a real contribution to improving the lives of our people.

My good friend Dr. Motlana -- who looks after my own health like a dragon -- has told me about all of you in America and your concern for the black people of South Africa. I thank you for lending us a helping hand in our struggle for justice and freedom.

Let me send special greetings to Dr. Louis Sullivan who has shown such dedication to improving opportunities in health and education in your own country as well as in mine. All those who met him when he visited South Africa were impressed by the sympathy and understanding he brought to the enormous health problems from which our people suffer. He has seen for himself the state of Baragwanath Hospital and that of the tiny clinics that serve Winterveld. And he has acted to help increase the numbers of us who can do battle with disease and death. For this we thank you.



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MESAB is grateful to the many corporations, foundations and individuals who joined in honoring Secretary Sullivan on March 28th. We would like to give special thanks to those companies that played a leading role in the tribute.

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Dear Mr. President:

Recent events have moved me to want to express to you, personally, my admiration for the profound sense of justice which has characterized your as yet short tenure in office.

Like so many others active in the world wide pursuit of social justice, seeing the freed Nelson Mandela brought tears to my eyes. Your courage was historic.

Similarly, I applaud the great tact you exercised in your decision, earlier this week, to postpone your visit to the United States until Mr. Mandela will have already been here. That showed both a diplomacy and a selflessness all too rare among world leaders.

I would hope that when you come to New York we would have an opportunity to meet. I would also hope that an opportunity can be arranged for you to meet with leaders of our nation's Jewish community. I intend to propose such a meeting to the appropriate Jewish grouping.

My prayers and best wishes, and those of our entire movement, go with you as you lead the way towards a South Africa which will be freer, healthier and more prosperous for all its citizens.

May God speed your course.

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

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January 8, 1990

As we enter a new decade we are witnessing great changes in the world as millions of people arrive for their freedom and an end to injustice. This is especially the case in Southern Africa, for 1990 will see the birth of a new nation -- Namibia. With Namibia's independence the world's attention will focus even more on the struggle for freedom in South Africa itself.

The 1990s must be the decade which finally sees freedom in South Africa and the destruction of apartheid. All the signs are that early in 1990 we shall see the release of Nelson Mandela. His release is bound to have a profound impact on the course of the freedom struggle in South Africa. It will also be an occasion to celebrate for all those who have campaigned for his release.

The NELSON MANDELA INTERNATIONAL RECEPTION COMMITTEE has been established in order to promote and coordinate activities to celebrate Nelson Mandela's release and to provide a framework for coordination with the National Reception Committee that has been formed within South Africa.

Since his arrest in 1962, Nelson Mandela has been continuously held in captivity. Throughout this period millions of people have joined in the campaign to secure his freedom and that of the people of South Africa as a whole. Great cities have honored Mandela by granting him the freedom of the city; universities have awarded him honorary degrees; numerous streets, squares, parks and other public venues have been renamed in his honour; innumerable meetings, rallies, concerts and marches have been held to call for his release; songs have been written and performed in support of the campaign; and numerous petitions and postcard campaigns have been organized. Without doubt Nelson Mandela is the most famous political prisoner in the world today.

Numerous inter-governmental and parliamentary bodies have responded to this world-wide campaign. The United Nations Security Council has unanimously and repeatedly called for Nelson Mandela's unconditional release as have summit meetings of the Organization of African Unity; the Non-Aligned Movement; the Commonwealth and European Community.

Nelson Mandela's release will represent therefore a great victory above all for the people of South Africa -- but it will also be a victory for the international community which has campaigned for the release of Nelson Mandela and therefore an occasion for all those who have participated in this great campaign to celebrate.

The Nelson Mandela International Reception Committee which is being launched today makes the following appeal to the international community and above all to those who have participated in the international campaign for the release of Nelson Mandela and all South African political prisoners:

- * intensify the campaign to release Nelson Mandela
- * prepare to celebrate Nelson Mandela's impending release with activities throughout the world especially in towns, cities, universities and other places which have honored Nelson Mandela
- * step up the ongoing struggle to secure the release of all South African political prisoners and detainees
- * intensify the struggle to end apartheid

The Nelson Mandela International Reception Committee is calling for the establishment of National Reception Committees in as many countries as possible which will seek to promote the aims of the campaign at a national level.

The Nelson Mandela International Reception Committee appeals to the international community to ensure that the release of Nelson Mandela is not only made an occasion for great celebration but also becomes an opportunity for us all to re-dedicate ourselves to the struggle to end apartheid.

Archbishop Trevor Huddleston, CR, Convenor

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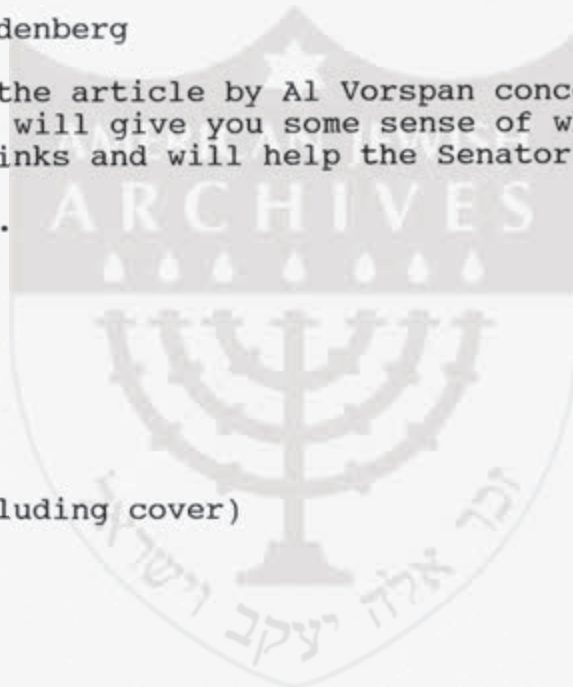
VIA FAX

TO: Nancy Sodenberg

Enclosed is the article by Al Vorspan concerning which I told you. It will give you some sense of what the Jewish community thinks and will help the Senator in his approach.

Warm regards.

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TWO CHEERS FOR MANDELA:

One Jewish New Yorker's Welcome

by Albert Vorspan

Nelson Mandela will visit New York City on June 20th and will be justly acclaimed by millions of New Yorkers as one of the giants of justice of our time - the legendary symbol of the struggle against apartheid.

Jews, along with millions of New Yorkers of all racial and religious backgrounds, will join in saluting the moral heroism of this man whose vision of freedom survived 27 years of imprisonment and today inspires the idea that a democratic, non-racial South Africa may no longer be too quixotic a dream.

But Jewish New Yorkers - including many, like myself, who have fought against racial persecution both here and abroad - will welcome Nelson Mandela with a special prayer.

The prayer is that Mandela will take the opportunity to dispel the unfortunate misunderstanding created by his embrace of Yassir Arafat and his harsh words describing Israel as a "form of colonialism" and equating Israel with South Africa's apartheid.

The problem is not that Mandela criticized Israel in its relationship to the Pretoria regime, or in its treatment of Palestinians, nor in other particulars. Many Israelis and many

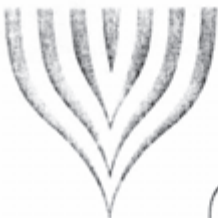
American Jews - including this writer - are critical of some developments in Israel - in public as well as privately. Israel is no more exempt from scrutiny and criticism than any other State. The trouble is that Mr. Mandela did not place his remarks in the context of an affirmation of Israel's elementary right to exist as a sovereign State within secure borders. This lack of symmetry allowed some people to conclude that Mandela was associating himself with those Palestinian extremists still pledged, as in the PLO covenant, to the elimination of the so-called "Zionist entity". Extremism begets extremism - Jewish fringe groups unrepresentative of the mainstream Jewish community, will no doubt organize noisy demonstrations on the streets of New York City, replete with mindless anti-Mandela slogans.

I personally am sure that Nelson Mandela, who has shared his struggle with anti-apartheid allies of all faiths and races - including many Jews - knows full well that Zionism has been the liberation movement of the Jewish people and that the State of Israel, with all its troubles and failures, remains a feisty, if frustrating, democracy in which Israeli Arabs have the right to vote and the right to serve in the Knesset. Thus, to equate Israel and South Africa, and to identify the anti-apartheid movement with PLO terrorism, is to dilute the democratic and ethical values (including respect for truth) which have been the real source of Mandela's moral power - a moral power which has resonated as strongly among Jews as among any other community in the world.

My prayer is that the now-strained Black-Jewish partnership, which helped to overthrow segregation in America, will be strengthened and not exacerbated by Mandela's visit. That relationship prompted my organization not only to lobby for sanctions against apartheid South Africa but to organize a project called Prisoners of Apartheid, chaired by Elie Wiesel and Harry Belafonte, which has mobilized world pressure in behalf of individual political prisoners of the apartheid system. And I pray that New York City, torn and shaken by racial violence and hatred, will be moved by Mandela's visit, amplifying Mayor Dinkin's plea, to bind up and heal its wounds, to re-discover its unity in diversity, and renew its historic role as exemplar of justice, humanity and decency in our own town and for all peoples everywhere.

In short, my prayer is that Nelson Mandela will find it in his heart to reach out in understanding and sensitivity to those who have suffered persecution - and worse - for centuries, and who share his dream of a better world. Thus, when Mandela's visit is over, we can all join in our various versions of that ancient Prayer of "Shehechyanu" in which Jews throughout centuries have given thanks to God for having made possible a unique day of blessing.

Mr Vorspan is Senior Vice President of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Synagogue body of Reform Judaism, and directs its national social action program.



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Mr. Nelson Mandela
Soweta, Johannesburg
South Africa

Dear Mr. Mandela,

On behalf of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the central body of Reform synagogues in the United States and Canada comprising 1,300,000 Reform Jews, I send you our heartfelt congratulations and warm sentiments on the historic occasion of your recent release from prison. Throughout the twenty-seven years of your confinement, your courageous efforts have inspired us together with all people throughout the world in the never-ending struggle to obtain human and political rights for the black population in South Africa. This is an extraordinary time, indeed, for all lovers of freedom, and we rejoice in your personal freedom and the embryonic steps to a new South Africa. We pray that a humane, non-racial South Africa will emerge during your lifetime and we vow to continue our strong support of this noble goal.

As grateful as all of us are over your joyous return, we must convey our deep hurt and perplexity over your recent statement to Yasir Arafat when you commended the PLO leader for "fighting against a unique form of colonialism" and wishing him success in his struggle. Mr. Mandela, certainly, you must realize the pain your statements and gestures have caused the Jewish community in South Africa and throughout the world who, over the years, have fought apartheid and worked tirelessly for your release. Your linking the struggle of the black people of South Africa to the ugly terrorism against innocent civilians proudly claimed by the PLO does a great disservice to your cause. Mr. Arafat's historic attempts to liquidate the Jewish state has led to scores of international tragedies including the death of many children, Olympic athletes and innocent travelers. It might be more appropriate to equate the dream of your people to Zionism, the liberation movement of the Jewish people, which resulted in the establishment of the democratic state of Israel nearly 42 years ago.

I am certain that you did not intend to offend the deep sensitivities of your many colleagues and supporters, Jewish and non-Jewish, who cherish Israel's right to live in peace for the same reason we oppose apartheid: fundamental justice and mutual respect.

Cordially,

Albert Vorspan
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December 14, 1989
16 Kislev 5750

Mr. Mitchell Warren
MESAB
1011 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mitchell:

I am truly grateful to you for inviting me to what turned out to be an exceptional evening.

As I told you before, I am a great admirer of Athol Fugard. It was a pleasure to meet him and I thank you for that opportunity.

My Children! My Africa! is a marvelous play. It certainly has a stirring message. I do hope it will do well. It merits our bravos and support.

It was also wonderful to see you again. I hope you are enjoying your work with MESAB. It appears that you are, and that all is well with you.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

October 12, 1989
13 Tishri 5750

Mr. Mitchell Warren
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Dear Mitchell:

It was good to hear from you and to learn that all goes well with you. I am delighted that you are involved in the work of MESAB for it is a most worthy undertaking.

My schedule is clear for December 13 and I have noted the benefit performance of My Children! My Africa! and I look forward to attending. Noting the size of the Perry Street Theatre I wonder if it will be possible to have Rhea accompany me that evening, please do let me know.

I have also noted the dinner to be hosted by President Brademas of NYU. And, needless to note, I look forward to meeting Athol Fugard. I much admire his works.

Rhea joins in sending our fond good wishes for a sweet, joyful and fulfilling New Year.

Sincerely,

Alexander M[Schindler

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Dear Rabbi Schindler:

I am happy to report that life after NFTY is wonderful and very much influenced by you and the Reform movement. Since my term as NFTY President, I have found numerous intersections between my experiences and Reform Judaism.

Last year I worked with Peter Kovler at the Kovler Fund. Through my involvement with the Kovler Institute's grant to MESAB, I became familiar with the organization, and I am now working with MESAB directly.

MESAB is a cooperative effort involving Americans and South Africans, blacks and whites, and is dedicated to improving health care for black South Africans through training black health professionals. There are fewer than 1,000 black doctors and a minuscule number of other black health professionals out of a population of 26 million blacks. Last year MESAB provided financial aid to 135 black students in the health sciences at seven South African universities.

In August I met with South Africa's preeminent playwright, Athol Fugard, to discuss South Africa and the MESAB effort. I am enclosing my notes from this discussion with Fugard which express Fugard's overwhelming enthusiasm for MESAB and his offer to assist us in organizing a benefit performance of his new play, My Children! My Africa!. We are now planning the benefit for Wednesday, December 13 at the Perry Street Theatre in Greenwich Village.

Written and directed by Fugard, My Children! My Africa! tells the story of two students--one black, one white--raised under apartheid, but brought together by a devoted black teacher. Their friendships and loyalties are tested, and innocence and ideals destroyed, as all three are consumed by South Africa's political tragedy.

Rabbi Alexander Schindler
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After the play, New York University President John Brademas will co-host a dinner near the theatre for Fugard, the actors and members of the audience. The Perry Street Theatre has a capacity of 95 people, and we hope to attract a unique audience of black and white leaders in the arts, business and philanthropy.

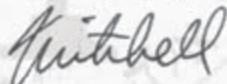
MESAB has always sought to bring blacks and whites concerned about racial injustice together in an effort to assist black South Africans. On December 13, a month after the New York mayoral election, we believe that involving these same people in this MESAB event can also contribute to bringing together blacks and whites in New York City.

Fugard and John Kani, South Africa's great actor, are serving as Honorary Chairmen of the evening. I invite you to serve as a Co-Chairman of the benefit committee.

This event is a unique opportunity to promote racial unity in New York as well as in the MESAB effort to train South African black health professionals so that they may play their proper role in a post-apartheid South Africa. We would be most grateful to have you join in this effort.

I look forward to discussing your participation in this event further. Best wishes for a healthy, meaningful New Year.

As ever,



Mitchell Warren

Enclosure: Fugard notes
1988 Annual Report

Discussion with Athol Fugard
23 August 1989
Kennedy Center, Eisenhower Theatre

[Mitchell Warren, a member of the MESAB staff, met with South Africa's foremost playwright Athol Fugard during Mr. Fugard's recent visit to Washington. The following notes are quotes from Mr. Fugard.]

God, man, nothing is more important than what you are doing. Everyone talks about my country and the problems of apartheid; but this is just talk. Your organization helps my people more than any I have seen.

Other efforts are so misguided. While the intentions may be good, the methods are wrong. Sanctions and disinvestment, for example, are shortsighted, idiotic and destructive. Believe me, man, white South Africans do not suffer. It is blacks in my country who suffer through this awful policy. That is why what you are doing is so damn important; you are helping people live, survive.

America's policy has hurt blacks in South Africa, and it has hurt America. America has lost influence in my country. South Africa has not been hurt because West Germany and the East--Japan--have stepped in to replace American business. Blacks suffer because the American companies were good to them. In Port Elizabeth, Ford, GM, Firestone provided their employees with health care and education. Now these people have nothing, and America has no influence.

America should have used influence to build a post-apartheid South Africa; now, change will come in my country and no foundation is laid.

It is very exciting in my country, now. Things will change in South Africa; everything is out in the open, ready to change. Who would have ever thought that Botha would be forced out, that de Klerk would go to Lusaka--Lusaka, man, to meet with the ANC. Both sides are changing: de Klerk, the government meeting with Mandela, the ANC talking. Talking, man, not bombing, talking.

Changes could occur. I am optimistic for these changes; the train is here, but we must be careful not to miss it this time.

I am optimistic. How can I despair when I see the young people in my country. White and black young people who are ready for change, who will sacrifice for change. My country will go through a painful rebirth, but it will be a birth, nonetheless. These changes will be hard, and that is why what you do is so important.

Some people here and in South Africa do not want change, though. People do not like to have their stereotypical images challenged or destroyed. These people do not believe

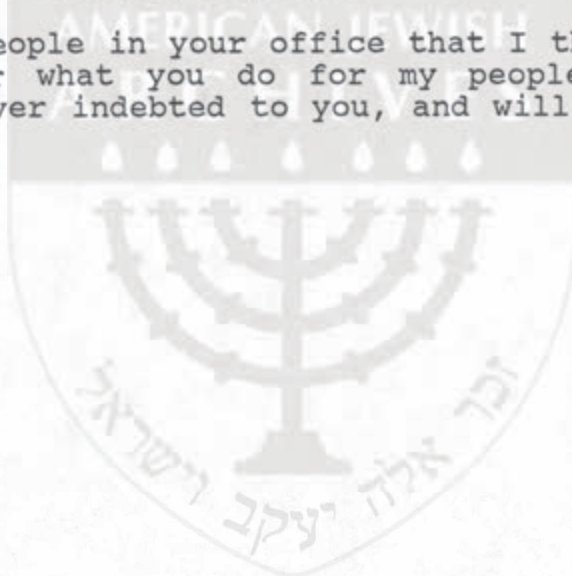
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that an Afrikaner can be a good person, willing to change. They do not want to believe that the ANC will cease violence. Some people would prefer to see South Africa explode in a bomb, rather than change peacefully. Here, some members of Congress have built their campaigns and careers on being anti-South Africa; they won't know what to do with themselves!

South Africa is rich because of her people; that is her greatest resource. We must cultivate this resource; that is the most important thing we can do.

My new play, My Children! My Africa!, is all about young people and changes taking place in South Africa. It takes place around the 1984 protests. It is perfect for MESAB: students, education, building a post-apartheid South Africa, blacks and whites working together. It is a play I am most proud of.

Tell the people in your office that I thank you, and I am grateful for what you do for my people. This South African is forever indebted to you, and will do whatever he can for you.





*"We all look forward to a better South Africa.
A South Africa in which Blacks and Whites
set their arrogant differences aside
and work side by side to build a better,
more colourful future for themselves,
and more importantly,
for the generations to come."*

Medical Student, Cape Town

Medical Education for South African Blacks, Inc.

"At the moment, I am busy arranging many high school pupils to study science oriented subjects so that they can follow careers in medicine related courses. I try to

explain to them the situation as it concerns blacks; namely that we have few black medical personnel."
Nursing Student, Witwatersrand

Consider the facts:

In a South Africa scarred by racism, indignity, inequality, and injustice, black health manpower is urgently needed to reduce the gross disparities between blacks and whites in the incidence of illness and early mortality. Achieving justice in health care delivery can contribute to a stable, democratic post-apartheid society. MESAB is a not-for-profit organization chartered to mobilize private support for training South African black health professionals.

- Out of 26,000,000 blacks, there are fewer than 700 black doctors, 20 dentists, 70 pharmacists, and a shortage of trained nurses
- Infant mortality among blacks is over 100 per 1,000, compared with 13.9 for whites
- 55 percent of all deaths among blacks occurs between the ages of one and five
- Life expectancy is 15 years less and child mortality is 15 times higher for blacks than for whites
- Preventable diseases such as typhoid, tuberculosis, and gastroenteritis are widespread among blacks, but have been virtually eradicated among whites

Concerned outsiders can make a significant contribution to improving the health care for South African blacks by supporting

- Scholarships
- Outreach programs in rural and peri-urban areas
- Training programs in primary care
- Remedial programs in science, math, and English
- Library services
- Cooperative research programs between American and South African medical institutions
- US/SA faculty and student exchanges

"I am sure you are aware of the hard struggle the oppressed community has to face and it is organisations such as yourself that make a valid, concrete contribution to South African society — that is, to ensure that

Blacks, too, be afforded an equal opportunity to pursue their dreams in academia so that they too can make a valid contribution to the people and thereby become the leaders of tomorrow."

Medical Student, Cape Town

Statement from the Chairman of the Board

I am pleased and proud to present MESAB's second annual report covering fiscal year 1988—a period in which MESAB began establishing a track record of concrete help to South African blacks.

MESAB can now point to tangible achievements: support for efforts to bring medical care to the rural areas of South Africa, where nearly two-thirds of the country's blacks reside; the training of black primary health care nurses who provide accident and emergency services for people who often have no access to such medical care; mid-career training for some of the country's most promising black medical and public health practitioners; and, most importantly, scholarship assistance to black students who, because of MESAB help, are able to continue/complete medical studies and then begin to extend medical services to thousands of black South Africans so badly in need of health care services.

These are no small accomplishments for an organization that started from zero, without any financial base, but with simple faith in the humane generosity of private individuals and institutions towards South Africa's deprived black majority.

Thanks to the help of each and every contributor, MESAB has begun to play a role in developing the ability of South African blacks to improve health care for the millions of medically underserved blacks.

But this is just a beginning. We need to sustain the students we are now supporting until the end of their academic training, and we want to add to that number. We also want to increase the success rate of these young blacks whose academic preparation is often inadequate for the demands of university-level training.

We are therefore looking into the development of mentoring programs that will provide both academic support and individual counselling.

To accomplish all this we must attract increased financial support from a wide range of private donors. Although support for MESAB has grown in the past fiscal year, the rate has to be higher if MESAB is to achieve its goals. The task is not easy.

Unhappily, many American corporations that have withdrawn from South Africa have curtailed their support for socially responsible programs in South Africa. MESAB has thus lost a significant fraction of its corporate support. There is also the danger that, because the telling pictures and news reports out of South Africa have now virtually disappeared from our TV screens and newspapers, there may be an illusion that the desperate problem of apartheid and the needs of the victims of apartheid have vanished.

The essential fact is that health care for blacks in South Africa remains at an appallingly low level. There is a third-world set of health and disease statistics for blacks living in a modern industrial country that gives its white citizens first-world care. Any post-apartheid society is going to require a vastly improved capacity on the part of black South Africans to deliver health services, and without improving training and training capacity now, that cannot happen.

We must therefore redouble our efforts to marshal support in the United States and to challenge South African private individuals and organizations to join the unique MESAB effort. We've shown what can be done, and now we must move forward. With your help we will.

Donald Kennedy
Stanford University

"I look toward your organisation with intense admiration. You are being instrumental in changing South Africa for the better and we know you for this. Until very recently and even presently, many black school-

graduates have seen the doors of learning close in front of their eyes due to the sad circumstances they find themselves in."

Medical Student, Cape Town

1988 IN PERSPECTIVE Program Developments

Scholarships

1988 saw the fruits of three years of intense MESAB effort to raise funds for its scholarship program. This year there are 99 black South Africans who, with MESAB assistance, are pursuing studies in the health sciences at seven South African universities. These are 99 students who will be ready for leadership roles in an effective and equitable health system for South Africa's black communities. Following the guidelines recommended by the South African Advisory Council, grants were awarded to first- or second-year students enrolled in degree courses in dentistry, dental therapy, medicine, nursing, occupational therapy, optometry, oral hygiene, pharmacology, physiotherapy, and veterinary science.

MESAB is meeting an urgent need for such financial assistance. Over and over we have heard from students and university administrators that there are few donors in South Africa or elsewhere prepared to back beginning students from disadvantaged backgrounds because of their initial high failure rate. Yet to meet these students is to know what ability and commitment is waiting to be tapped for the challenging task of addressing the health needs of South Africa's black communities. MESAB is willing to be the risk-taker.

Visits to all seven campuses in June by Joy and Herbert Kaiser, MESAB/US executives, and by M. Yusuf Dinath, MESAB/SA Executive Director, confirmed the pressing need for MESAB's scholarship program. Many young blacks who are qualified for university studies are too often unable to enroll because they don't have the money. At some universities, 50 percent of those admitted did not register for lack of funds.

Mentor Program

One of the important issues that emerged from the June visits to the universities was how to promote a greater degree of success among MESAB scholarship recipients, most of whom come to university with inadequate academic preparation and who must also make a major social adjustment to university life.

Discussions with both students and faculty led to the proposal that MESAB provide its scholarship recipients with the kind of personalized mentoring by senior students and selected faculty that has been widely successful at U.S. institutions. The South

African Advisory Council recommended at its June meeting that MESAB make a strong appeal to both South African and U.S. donors for support of such a mentoring program. Plans were made for the MESAB/SA Executive Director to visit the U.S. to learn more about mentoring programs at U.S. universities.

Nursing Education:

Primary Care and General Skills

The innovative program to train black primary health care nurses (nurse practitioners) in accident and emergency service at the Alexandra Health Centre got underway in April. Under close supervision of MESAB/SA and the Witwatersrand Medical School Department of Nursing Education, training began with four nurses enrolled in the program. The potential impact of this program for health care in the slum conditions of South African black townships is considerable.

Upon the recommendation of MESAB/SA, a \$10,000 grant for nursing education was used to provide small stipends to supplement the salaries of black nursing students enrolled in degree courses. These stipends make the margin of difference in retaining nursing students. Nurses who complete the university programs qualify for supervisory and trainer positions at hospitals and clinics serving the black community. Forty-one nurses received grants at five universities.

MESAB is considering extending such stipends to nurses enrolled in decentralized programs of post-basic training in midwifery and neonatal care and in other nursing services. The University of Natal has launched a pilot program, and similar programs are being planned for other parts of the country. However, there is a critical need for such stipends for the nurses entering this training, and here MESAB will try to help.

"To the best of my and most people's knowledge this is the first ever consolidated effort by people outside South Africa to try to reduce the gross disparity between Whites and Blacks in South Africa in the medical field."

There is no doubt that such moves will contribute to Black health and to the post-apartheid South African society everyone is looking forward to."

Medical Student, Witwatersrand

Rural Outreach

MESAB gave a \$25,000 grant to support the community outreach programs of Medicos, an Institute of the Medical University of Southern Africa (MEDUNSA). The work of Medicos is based on the premise that community service must be an integral part of training health professionals for South Africa. Both MESAB and Medicos see the outreach program as a means of encouraging more health professionals to bring their skills to rural areas where 60 percent of South African blacks live.

Medicos sponsors regular visits by faculty and students to rural hospitals and clinics to provide clinical services and consultation, to teach and conduct training for staff, to undertake research and other epidemiological work, and to participate in other community projects. Medicos also operates a model community health center providing rehabilitation services to psychiatric and other disabled patients, daycare for handicapped children, crisis intervention, general practice training for students, a dental prevention program, and a medical mobile unit.

Mid-career Training

Although MESAB still has no funds to support study in the United States, we continue to provide information and assistance to South African blacks seeking mid-career or practical experience not available to them in South Africa.

The two South Africans whom MESAB assisted in 1987 completed their training in June 1988.

Dr. Esphiran Reddy completed his fellowship in vascular surgery at the Harvard Medical School and has returned to Durban's King Edward VIII Hospital.

Dr. Mphala Mogudi completed the Master's Program in Public Health at the Harvard School of Public Health where she was able to play a valuable role in promoting an interest and understanding among her fellow students about health issues in South Africa. She was instrumental in organizing a seminar on the options for and obstacles to the transformation of the health care sector in a post-apartheid South Africa. MESAB assisted Dr. Mogudi to participate in the program's annual field trip to the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

MESAB has also initiated planning for participation by South African black health professionals in an International Health Workshop to be held in Atlanta under the auspices of the Morehouse School of

Medicine, the Centers for Disease Control, and the Emory University School of Medicine. The Workshop brings health workers from five African countries to share their experience and to study recent progress on public health problems of mutual concern. Participation will offer a unique opportunity for South African black health professionals to upgrade their knowledge and skills as well as to interact with their peers from other African countries.

Public Information and Visitors

MESAB continues to serve as a source of information on black health manpower and training in South Africa and responds to numerous requests for information and advice from concerned individuals and institutions. MESAB maintains close liaison and exchanges information with universities, foundations, and other voluntary agencies involved in South African programs. Both MESAB/SA and MESAB/US participated in the June conference on "U.S. Grant-making in South Africa" organized by the Council of Foundations and the Kaiser Family Foundation. Dr. Nthato Motlana of the MESAB South African Advisory Council was one of the speakers at the conference.

Until MESAB could point to a record of achievement, we have not actively sought publicity in the print or other media. As programs get underway, however, MESAB is beginning to get public exposure. There were articles in the *Atlanta Journal and Constitution* in December following Board Member Louis Sullivan's trip to South Africa. Dr. Sullivan also participated in a television panel discussion on apartheid. MESAB received national publicity in a May article by William Raspberry, a *Washington Post* and nationally syndicated columnist.

In the past year MESAB has made written or personal presentations to various church and community groups including the Task Force on South Africa at the National Convention of State Legislators held in July 1987 in Indianapolis, Indiana; St. Peter's Church in the Great Valley in Paoli, Pennsylvania; the American Jewish World Service; John Calvin Presbyterian Church in Annandale, Virginia; and the Women's National Democratic Club.

"They must not go into any medical profession for what they can get out of it, but for what they can give... They must have a genuine love for the people. They must

have empathy, but above all they must be caring. In short, they must have dedication!"

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Organizational Developments

MESAB/US Board of Directors

Dr. Louis Sullivan, Board Member and President of the Morehouse School of Medicine, joined Joy and Herb Kaiser in South Africa for eight days at the end of November. In addition to attending a meeting of the South African Advisory Council and spending time with individual Council members, Dr. Sullivan met with an extraordinarily large number of black professionals from the worlds of health, education, business, and culture. He also met with Archbishop Desmond Tutu. Dr. Sullivan's own experience in medical education for the disadvantaged gave him a special appreciation of South African health and manpower training problems, and he was able to convey the deep concern, not only of MESAB/US but of American blacks, for South Africa's black community.

The Board was honored to welcome three new members in 1988. Dr. LaSalle Leffall, a distinguished surgical oncologist, is Professor and Chairman of the Department of Surgery at the Howard University Medical School; Thomas Pyle, a leader in health administration, is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Harvard Community Health Plan; and, Dr. David Rogers, formerly president of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, is the Walsh-McDermott University Professor of Medicine at New York Hospital-Cornell School of Medicine.

MESAB has been fortunate in benefiting from the counsel and advice of two black South Africans resident in the United States who have held the honorary title of MESAB Fellow. The present MESAB Fellow is David Ndaba, a South African medical student at the Morehouse School of Medicine. Dr. William Makgoba, the first MESAB Fellow, was Visiting Scientist in immunogenetics at the National Institutes of Health but left the United States in March for a position at Hammersmith Hospital in London. He continues to take an active interest in promoting the MESAB effort.

MESAB/SA Advisory Council

1988 saw the establishment of an operational MESAB/SA office in Johannesburg with Mr. M. Yusuf Dinath as part-time Executive Director and Mrs. Frances Munro as part-time secretary. South African donors are underwriting their salaries, and the University of the Witwatersrand Medical School in Johannesburg is providing pro bono office space and other support services.

The composition of the Advisory Council remains a multiracial cross-section of distinguished health educators with strong links to grassroots community organizations. Professor J. C. de Villiers, among the first and strongest South African supporters of MESAB, has stepped aside from the Council for reasons of health but remains on the Panel of Consultants and plays an active role. MESAB is pleased to welcome Professor J. P. van Niekerk, Deputy Dean of the University of Cape Town Medical School, as a Council member.

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Apartheid

Beloved Neighbors and Friends:

We invite you to join us at Canaan Baptist Church of Christ in Harlem (132 116th St., West of Lenox Ave.) at 8:00 PM, Thursday, December 14th to celebrate the struggle for freedom in South Africa and Namibia and to redouble our determination to continue standing in solidarity with our sisters and brothers until apartheid is totally eradicated. Walter Sisulu of the African National Congress, Presidents Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia and Robert Mugabe of Zimbabwe have been invited to address this celebration, following a three-day special session on apartheid at the United Nations.

Dramatic changes are underway in our world. Nowhere is this more evident than in southern Africa, and the prospects for change there have come about because so many have worked hard to bring pressure upon South Africa's racist apartheid system.

The Mass Democratic Movement of South Africa has appealed to us not to let up now in our work for sanctions, divestment and other means of isolating the apartheid regime. They believe the end of the systemic injustice they have endured so long is within reach, with our continued strong support.

Please give your active endorsement to this program by personally coming to Canaan on the 14th and urging others to come; by publicizing the event in your organs of communication; and by you and/or your organization coming prepared to make a financial contribution to this crucial stage of the struggle to rid Africa and the world of legalized racism. Your support is urgent. Let us stand and be counted in favor of a democratic, non-racial Namibia and South Africa.

We are anxious to have your input and suggestions to ensure that this celebration is a major mobilization for the 1990's. If you need to contact us, please call Mae Ngai at (212) 673-5120 Ext.390. Also, if you cannot join us for the occasion, but would like to make a contribution, please make checks payable to the Canaan Baptist Church and earmark them for the "Anti-Apartheid Campaign" and send them to the above address.

Thank you in advance for your support.

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Forward

9-9-88

*Xerox article
to ABC 9/13*

*David Saperstein
called on Friday
to ask if Rabbi
Schindler had seen
this article.*

Winning Freedom

There was good news for the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism this week when it was learned that a political prisoner in whom the center took a strong interest had been released from a South African jail.

The prisoner, Raymond Suttner, a lecturer at the University of Witwatersrand Law School, Johannesburg, had been held without trial for two years under special regulations meant to quell civil unrest over South Africa's racial policies.

The Reform Judaic organization had collected more than 10,000 signatures since April demanding the release of Mr. Suttner, who is a Jew, and the Rev. Molefe Tsele of the South African Lutheran Church arrested in December 1986 for trying to advance the rights of blacks. The par-

son is still being held, with no charges filed.

The effort to aid them is part of a larger project, the Prisoner of Apartheid campaign, headed by Elie Wiesel and Harry Belafonte. The campaign has also been aided by Lutheran churches and black organizations.



*NY Times
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July 14, 1988
29 Tammuz 5748

Mr. Lionel Conyer, President
The South African Union for
Progressive Judaism
P.O. Box 18630
Hillbrow
2038 Johannesburg, South Africa

Dear Mr. Conyers:

Your letter of June 24 has just reached my desk and I hasten to reply. I am confident that by the time this letter gets to you in South Africa, you will have received a response from Rabbi David Saperstein. I am sure that whenever possible he will seek to take counsel with the SAUPJ prior to discussion of South Africa matters, although you must understand that at time it is simply not possible to do so because of time constraints.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Alexander M. Schindler

MEMORANDUM

From Rabbi Clifford M. Kulwin
To Rabbi David Saperstein
Copies
Subject Lionel Conyer's Letter of June 24

Date July 7, 1988
23 Tamuz 5748

(To AMS)

DS
I suggest that in response to Lionel's letter you write him a relatively brief note apologizing for the lack of contact. Say that in this particular case there was simply no time for any sort of consultation but that every effort will heretofore be made to solicit comments from the SAUPJ when the Religious Action Center is dealing with a South African issue.

You should point out that this policy has already been implemented, as he by now knows with regard to the newspaper advertisement Glen Stein called me about.

Taken in context, and knowing some of the people he has to deal with, rest assured that the letter is actually a fairly positive statement. While I am sorry that this incident occurred, it will certainly bear one positive future result, namely that the Reform institutions both in the United States and in South Africa will be enriched and better informed through the closer ties between them.

Regards,

Cliff

cc: av.

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24 June 1988

The President
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UNITED STATES

We enclose a copy of a letter today addressed to Rabbi David Saperstein, concerning the Testimony given by him on behalf of The U.A.H.C. and The the C.C.A.R. to The Senate Foreign Relations Sub-Committee of African Affairs.

The contents of our letter clearly set out our views in the matter, and we would very much appreciate obtaining your response.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully


LIONEL CONYER
CHAIRMAN

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NEW YORK, N.Y. 10021

Dear Rabbi Saperstein

On behalf of the Southern African Union for Progressive Judaism, I have been directed to express our dismay, and to record our strong objection to your Testimony on behalf of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis before the African affairs sub-committee of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. This has recently been drawn to our attention by the South African Jewish Board of Deputies, and we were most embarrassed to have to admit not only that we were unaware of that document, but that we have no idea what the "Religious Action Centre of Reform Judaism" is.

I wish to comment on your Testimony as follows:

1. Through the first seven and a half pages of your Report you sketch the position of the South African Jewish Community towards the current policies of the Government, and if anything, you are somewhat complimentary in your remarks. Although you do not give any references, it is clear that you have researched the subject matter.

However, we find it strange that at no time did you approach our Southern African Union for background information, or for their views on the matter, although we are the only organisation in South Africa affiliated to the World Union For Progressive Judaism, with which you also have connections.

Had you approached us, we would not only have reiterated our opposition to any form of discrimination, but would have pointed out to you that over the years we have consistently been far more vocal than any other section of the Jewish community in our opposition to apartheid, and that for many years we urged The Jewish Board of Deputies to take a stand, at a time when they were reluctant to make any statement.

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2. Subject to the foregoing, we have no real differences with regard to your initial analysis of the situation. However, under the heading of "American Jewry", you then, without any correlation to the preceding part of your Report, proceed to list a series of steps which you believe should be taken against the South African Government.
3. We recognise your right to arrive at such conclusions, and to make such recommendations, as you believe are valid, after having given the matter comprehensive thought and study.

However, over the past few years, and particularly at the time when The U.A.H.C. passed its November 1985 Resolution, we communicated with the Presidents of both the U.A.H.C. and the C.C.A.R., indicating that we believed it was only right and proper for those organisations to obtain information and evidence from us, and to ask for our views, before they were able to reach a balanced conclusion. As the representatives of Progressive Judaism in this country, our views should surely be of interest to yourselves, if your pronouncements are intended to be made from a Jewish point of view, and not merely to give your organisations a popular political platform.

We also requested that we be given copies of any such statements made by yourselves, in order that we can maintain proper communication.

In view of the fact that you, and the organisations which you represent, took no heed of those requests, and apparently avoided obtaining our views, we must ask you whether you were really attempting to arrive at a balanced conclusion, taking all aspects into account.

4. We particularly note that at no time did you attempt to justify your proposed plan of action by reference to any Jewish sources, and the only moral point apparently raised by yourself is that it would be wrong "to maintain economic links with a nation which has been built upon the oppression of a majority of its citizens."

If that is the genuine base for your conclusions, we suggest that it now behoves your organisation would be to classify all the countries the globe to which that description applies, and to urge your Government to take similar action against each of those countries.

5. While I see merit in strategic goals numbers 3,4,6,11 and 12, and would be supportive of many aspects thereof, the thrust of your plan of action, comprising about 66% of the points raised by yourself, is disinvestment.

It is in my view a paradox that, while the threat of disinvestment, and limited disinvestment, some four years ago was having a real effect on the South African scene, the current stance of policies such as those advocated by yourself is merely to stiffen the resistance of the Government to change, and to enhance the status of the Right-wing within the Government.

6. The affect of the type of disinvestment advocated by yourself would be to place the major financial and economic institutions into the hands of those very white South Africans whom you wish to attack, and to increase economic hardship and suffering among the lower economic groups, whose cause you apparently espouse.
7. It may well be that you believe the correct solution to the situation to be the increase of unemployment amongst the less affluent, which could lead to more acts of violence, which would help to further to destabilise not only South Africa, but also adjacent countries, many of whom are economically dependent on South Africa. You may further believe that in fifty or a hundred years time the rise of a multi-racial phoenix from the ashes would justify your policy.

If in this context you wish to cite the Book of Joshua, then I, as a committed Reform Jew, must question the validity of your thinking.

At this stage there is probably little value in debating from our respective distances the merits of your policy, and the probable affect it would have on the entire population in the Southern Africa, both Jewish and non-Jewish. However, as members of the same international community, we would expect from yourselves sufficient sincerity and openmindedness to keep open a dialogue between us, to consider our views, and to keep us in touch with your thinking.

To indicate our feelings on this matter, I would like to quote from a letter sent to me by one of the Honorary Officers of our South African Movement:

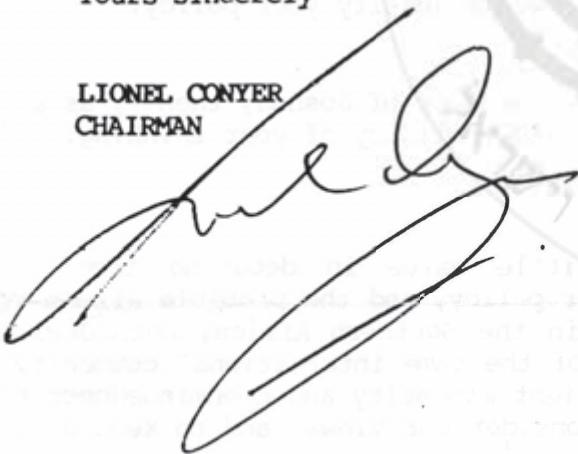
"If this is simply unbridled arrogance on behalf of the U.A.H.C. and C.C.A.R. and the making of the statements to meet their own political ends, then there is little we can do but to register our protest. If one could be more optimistic about it and assume there is a genuine attempt by these Bodies to be helpful, then perhaps we should consider whether the South African members of the C.C.A.R. and those with recent connections to South Africa should make official representation to the C.C.A.R., reflecting their views."

I would be most appreciative if you would consider the points I have made in this letter, and let me have your comments.

Copies of this letter are also being sent to the presidents of the two organisations which you represent, as well as the World Union of Progressive Judaism, for their comment.

Yours sincerely

LIONEL CONYER
CHAIRMAN

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Lionel Conyer, is written over the typed name and extends across the lower half of the page. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.