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Date: 27 March 1995

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**RECEPTION ON MONDAY 1 MAY TO PROMOTE BUSINESS AND
SPORTING LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA**

The Prime Minister has approved the attached guest list for the South African Reception on 1 May. He has also approved the explanatory note which you will include with the invitation cards.

Additional businessmen

We still have a little headroom under your maximum total of 200. I have asked Howard Davies of the CBI, Sir Anthony Reeve in South Africa, and Dominic Morris to suggest any additional chairmen or chief executives of large companies and financial institutions who may have escaped the DTI net. The invisible sector looks to me as if it may be under represented. We should also consider companies like RTZ (Dominic will advise on the extent of their South African interests). But this should not hold up the issue of invitations to those already on the list.

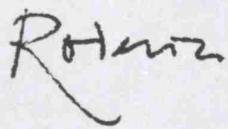
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Subject to the views of the Press Office, the Prime Minister would like to attract the attention of serious sports correspondents to this event, and we should perhaps also think of some business journalists. He has it in mind to invite people like Jim Swanton, Michael Parkinson, Tony Lewis, Dickie Davies, and whoever represents Grandstand (?Desmond ^{LYNAM} Lyman) as guests. I would be grateful if **Mike Price** could come up with a quick list, consulting John Scott of the Sports Council.

Nearer the time of the Reception, we should consider whether to offer a press facility during the party - e.g. a roving camera crew. I should be holding a further meeting with John Scott and with Martin Baker of the DTI at 1530 on Friday 7 April. You may wish to come if you are free at the time. Perhaps Mike Price could also join us.



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From the Private Secretary

24 March 1995

Dear Tony,

BUSINESS AND SPORTING LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA

The Department may have told you that the Prime Minister is holding a reception on Monday, 1 May to give further encouragement to business and sporting links with South Africa, following up his own visit and those of the President of the Board of Trade and the Minister of Trade, and, of course, basking in the afterglow of the State Visit (on which, many congratulations - from this range an outstanding success).

I am in the final stages of assembling the guest list. The core of the list will consist of the 70-odd businessmen who accompanied the Prime Minister and the President, plus a list of some 50 people in the sports world who are involved in some way or another with the UK-South Africa Sports Initiative.

I thought I would contact you just to make sure that we have not missed off anyone who strikes you as being of prime importance in the business world. Are there any key figures at company chairman/chief executive level whom you would like to be sure are included? Or, putting it another way, which do you regard as the ten or fifteen most significant large British companies and banks involved in South Africa?

Needless to say, if you happen to be in this country on 1 May, you would be particularly welcome at the reception.

DTI intend to use the party to launch their new updated Trade Group for South Africa. I understand that Sir Brian Pearce has agreed to be the chairman and that his appointment will be announced on that day.

My apologies for bothering you when you must by now be in a state of post-visit exhaustion. No need to go to enormous lengths over the reply. But if you wish to feed in any suggestions, could you ask someone to send them to me by, if possible, 30 March?

*Yours etc,
Roderic*
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Sir Anthony Reeve, K.C.M.G.

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Dear Roderic

Further to my letter of 15 March, I am now enclosing our proposals for the invitation list for sport for the reception on May 1st. There are, naturally, more people from athletics and football as these are the two sports with whom we have been co-operating in South Africa. I also enclose, for your information, a copy of the project handbook we have prepared which, although weighty, does give the full picture of what is being done in South Africa.

I am enclosing some press clippings that we have collected so far. I am promised more from the Consulate in Johannesburg once the Queen's visit is over and they can catch up on their backlog of work.

Finally, I do hope you will be able to make the dinner we are hosting on Monday 27 March for the South African Delegation, as we discussed at our meeting. Our guests will be: Mr Mthobi Tyamzashe - Director-General for Sport in South Africa, Mr Mluleki George - President, National Sports Council and Mr Mvuzo Mbebe - General Manager, National Sports Council. Perhaps you could confirm your availability. The location for the dinner is L'Escargot, 48 Greek Street, London W1 at 8.00 for 8.30pm.

All good wishes.

Yours sincerely

John Scott
Head of International Affairs

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FROM PRIVATE SECRETARY

SUBJECT : NPT : SOUTH AFRICA

SUMMARY

1. SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT IN FAVOUR OF INDEFINITE EXTENSION OF THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES ENshrined IN THE NPT, BUT WANT A PROVISION FOR PERIODIC REVIEW OF PROGRESS TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION, IN PARTICULAR ON DISARMAMENT BY THE NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES.

DETAIL

2. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY RAISED THE NPT EXTENSION CONFERENCE WITH DEPUTY PRESIDENT MBEKI AND THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, PAHAD, ON 21 MARCH. HE SAID WE WERE NEAR THE POINT OF DECISION ON THE NPT. SOME PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE THOUGH THERE WAS NO PROSPECT OF RESOLVING PROBLEMS OVER INDIA/PAKISTAN AND ISRAEL/EGYPT. THE UK FAVOURED INDEFINITE EXTENSION OF THE NPT. THE CHANCES OF NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES ENGAGING IN A CLASH WERE NOW REDUCED. THIS ENABLED US AND OTHERS TO REDUCE OUR NUCLEAR STOCKS. WE HAD ALSO CHANGED OUR POSITION ON THE CTB.

3. PAHAD, WHOM MBEKI DESCRIBED AS HIS EXPERT ON THE NPT, SAID THAT SOUTH AFRICA WAS TRYING TO FIND A COMPROMISE BETWEEN THE TWO POSITIONS HELD BY AFRICAN COUNTRIES. SOME OF THE ISSUES THE FOREIGN SECRETARY RAISED WERE OF CONCERN TO SOUTH AFRICA. IN ADDITION THEY ALSO WANTED PROVISIONS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY FOR PEACEFUL USE AND ALSO TO BE ABLE TO HAVE SOME MECHANISM, IN THE CONTEXT OF INDEFINITE EXTENSION OF THE NPT, FOR MEMBERS STATES TO REVIEW PROGRESS TOWARDS IMPLEMENTING THE TREATIES' OBJECTIVES, INCLUDING DISARMAMENT BY THE NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES.

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4. MBEKI ADDED THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED THE NPT WITH AL GORE AND BRIEFLY WITH CLINTON. GORE HAD COMPARED THE NPT TO THE DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN THAT BOTH ENSHRINED FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES WHICH SHOULD BE EXTENDED INDEFINITELY AND NOT BE SUBJECT TO PERIODIC RENEWAL. CLINTON HAD ALSO SAID THAT THE UNITED STATES DID NOT WANT TO MAKE PROGRESS BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY OF NPT STATES: THE NATURE OF THE ISSUE MEANT THAT THE US HAD TO WORK FOR WIDER AGREEMENT. MBEKI TENDED TO AGREE ON BOTH POINTS AND MADE CLEAR THAT HE FAVOURED INDEFINITE EXTENSION OF THE NPT BUT WITH SOME CAPACITY TO REVIEW PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTATION.

5. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY CONCLUDED THAT THERE WAS NO DIFFERENCE IN PRINCIPLE BETWEEN THE UK AND SOUTH AFRICA. WE SHOULD KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH ON THE ISSUE.

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FROM PRIVATE SECRETARY

SUBJECT : STATE VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA : FOREIGN SECRETARY'S
DISCUSSIONS ON BILATERAL COOPERATION

SUMMARY

1. POSITIVE IMPRESSIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY AND ITS ABILITIES TO OPERATE. CONTINUED CONCERNS OVER IFP/ANC RIVALRY IN NATAL. DE KLERK LOOKING FOR WAYS TO CONTINUE POWER-SHARING BEYOND THE NEXT ELECTION.

DETAIL

2. DURING THE FIRST TWO DAYS OF THE STATE VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA, THE FOREIGN SECRETARY ATTENDED THE QUEEN'S PRIVATE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MANDELA AND HAD SEPARATE MEETINGS WITH DEPUTY PRESIDENTS MBEKI AND DE KLERK. HE ALSO HAD A CHANCE TO TALK TO FOREIGN MINISTER NZO, ANC SECRETARY-GENERAL RAMAPHOSA, AND BRIEFLY CHIEF BUTHELEZI (A FULLER MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR DURBAN LATER THIS WEEK). THIS EVENING HE DISCUSSED DEFENCE COOPERATION WITH THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENCE (KASRILS). ALL EXPRESSED IMMENSE PLEASURE AT THE QUEEN'S VISIT AND AT THE WARMTH OF THE POPULAR RECEPTION ACCORDED TO HER.

3. PRESIDENT MANDELA MADE CLEAR HIS CONTINUED EMPHASIS ON NATIONAL RECONCILIATION. HE HAD HOPED THAT THE QUEEN WOULD BE ABLE TO PAY A PARTICULAR TRIBUTE TO THE AFRIKANER PEOPLE AND WAS PLEASED WHEN THE QUEEN'S SPEECH AT THE STATE BANQUET WAS AMENDED TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THIS. THE LEVEL OF POPULAR SUPPORT FOR MANDELA, ESPECIALLY AMONG WHITES, WAS STRIKING.

4. THABO MBEKI FORESAW CONTINUED DIFFICULTIES IN SOUTH AFRICA. THE COMMISSION ON TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION WAS A NECESSARY PROCESS BUT ONE WHICH WOULD REOPEN OLD WOUNDS. IT WAS DESIGNED TO WORK ON A 12-18 MONTH TIMESCALE. MANY WERE PRESSING FOR

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FULL DISCLOSURES BUT NO-ONE WAS QUITE CERTAIN WHAT THAT WOULD BRING. THE PROCEDURE WAS VOLUNTARY. THE POSSIBILITY OF BEING PILLORIED IN THE PRESS WAS DETERRING PEOPLE FROM COMING FORWARD.

5. THE ANC LEADERS GENERALLY CONTINUED TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE SITUATION IN NATAL. MBEKI SAID THAT RECENT DISCLOSURES IN A TRIAL OF MEMBERS OF AN INKATHA DEATH SQUAD HAD IMPLICATED SENIOR FIGURES IN THE IFP HIERARCHY AND COULD SOON TOUCH BUTHELEZI HIMSELF. RATHER ODDLY, AFTER CONVICTING THE THREE CONCERNED, THE JUDGE HAD INVITED THOSE NAMED IN THE EVIDENCE TO COME FORWARD AND EXPLAIN THEMSELVES. MBEKI GAVE THE IMPRESSION THAT HE RATHER HOPED FOR A LESS THAN FULL DISCLOSURE AND CONCENTRATION ON THE FUTURE RATHER THAN THE PAST.

6. DE KLERK, IN A MUCH FULLER DISCUSSION OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN SCENE, SAID THAT THE INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION WAS PROCEEDING RATHER WELL FROM HIS PERSPECTIVE. HIS RECENT THREAT TO RESIGN OVER LACK OF COOPERATION WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY (GNU) HAD BEEN BENEFICIAL AND HAD MADE PEOPLE FACE THE POSSIBILITY OF WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THE GNU BROKE DOWN. HE IDENTIFIED A NUMBER OF DARK CLOUDS ON THE HORIZON. THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS IN NOVEMBER COULD GO WRONG AS THE MEMBER PARTIES OF THE GNU WOULD BE FIGHTING ONE ANOTHER. THERE WAS A PARTICULAR RISK TO THE COALITIONS IN PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS. THE VOTING PROCEDURE ITSELF WOULD BE ORDERLY WITH VOTERS ROLLS AND LESS IRREGULARITY THAN AT THE GENERAL ELECTION. BUT THE POLITICS WERE LESS PREDICTABLE. THERE WAS ALSO A COMPLICATION IN THAT THE TRADITIONAL TRIBAL CHIEFS FELT THREATENED BY THE INCLUSION OF RURAL AREAS IN THE MUNICIPAL STRUCTURE. HE WAS PRESSING FOR THE GOVERNMENT AS A WHOLE TO BE MORE ACTIVE TO REASSURE TRADITIONAL CHIEFS AND TO ADDRESS THEIR CONCERNS.

PROSPECTS FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL UNITY

7. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY ASKED DE KLERK HOW LONG HE EXPECTED THE GNU TO LAST AND WHETHER THE STRUCTURE OF SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICAL PARTIES WAS LIKELY TO CHANGE. DE KLERK MADE CLEAR THAT THE NATIONAL PARTY WERE COMMITTED TO POWER SHARING. HE CERTAINLY DID NOT HAVE A STRATEGY TO PULL OUT OF THE GNU EIGHTEEN MONTHS BEFORE THE NEXT ELECTION. HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT THEY WOULD KNOW WELL BEFORE THAT WHETHER THE ANC WERE GOING TO REMAIN COMMITTED TO THE GNU. THE ANC WERE GOING TO

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PRESS FOR WINNER-TAKES-ALL AT THE NEXT ELECTION. THE NP WERE LIKELY TO ARGUE THAT THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENT WORKED WELL AND SHOULD BE PERPETUATED. HIS OWN PREFERENCE (WHICH HE HAD NOT MADE KNOWN TO OTHERS OUTSIDE THE NP) WAS TO ALLOW THE PARTY WINNING 50% OF THE VOTE TO FORM A GOVERNMENT, BUT TO CONSTRAIN ITS POWERS SO THAT CERTAIN DECISIONS WHICH REQUIRED OVERWHELMING SUPPORT SHOULD BE TAKEN BY A STATE COUNCIL REPRESENTING ALL THE MAIN PARTIES. HE WAS ALSO EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING QUALIFIED MAJORITIES IN PARLIAMENT FOR CERTAIN ISSUES. THIS WOULD BE A COMPROMISE BETWEEN THE ANC AND NP POSITIONS. HE WAS QUITE PREPARED TO CONSIDER A SUNSET CLAUSE WHEREBY THESE NEW ARRANGEMENTS WOULD COME TO AN END AFTER TEN OR FIFTEEN YEARS. HE THOUGHT THE WHOLE QUESTION OF POWER-SHARING WOULD BECOME THE PRIME ISSUE AT THE NEXT ELECTION.

8. DE KLERK WENT ON TO COMMENT ON THE ANC MORE WIDELY. IT WAS NOT YET A FULLY FLEDGED PARTY AND WAS PRONE TO PRESSURE GROUPS WITHIN IT. HIS ADVICE TO MANDELA HAD BEEN THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THE ANC LEADERS TO TAKE A CLEAR POSITION, EVEN IF THAT RISKED ALIENATING THE RADICALS AND LEADING TO SOME ANC SUPPORT GOING ELSEWHERE. THIS WAS WHAT THE NATIONAL PARTY HAD DONE UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP IN 1989. HE BELIEVED THAT SOUTH AFRICAN POLITICS WOULD SETTLE DOWN INTO A THREE PARTY SYSTEM, RATHER LIKE THE GERMANS, WITH A SMALL LIBERAL PARTY IN THE MIDDLE. THE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE TO GO DOWN WHAT HE CALLED THE MALAYSIAN ROUTE, WHERE ETHNIC PARTIES, SHARING COMMON POLICIES FORGED COALITIONS. BUT HE WAS NOT WILLING TO ENTERTAIN ANY COALITION BETWEEN THE NATIONAL PARTY AND THE ANC AS LONG AS THE LATTER HAD A LINK WITH THE SACP. HIS POLITICAL EFFORT WAS GEARED TO MAKING THE NP SUPPORT GROW.

INTERNATIONAL MEDIATION

9. CHIEF BUTHELEZI COMMENTED BRIEFLY ON THE ISSUE OF INTERNATIONAL MEDIATION WHICH HAD LED TO HIS WALKOUT FROM PARLIAMENT AND, LATER, THEIR RETURN ON THE BASIS THAT HIS GRIEVANCES WERE ADDRESSED WITHIN ONE MONTH. HE EXPECTED HIS FELLOW CABINET MEMBERS TO ABIDE BY THE AGREEMENT THEY SIGNED LAST APRIL. PRESSED BY THE FOREIGN SECRETARY ON THE VARIOUS WAYS IN WHICH THE COMMITMENT COULD BE MET, BUTHELEZI STUCK FAST TO THE NEED FOR ACCESS TO INTERNATIONAL MEDIATION.

10. DE KLERK TOLD THE FOREIGN SECRETARY THAT HE WAS CONCERNED

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ABOUT THIS ISSUE AS WELL, NOT LEAST BECAUSE WE WERE ALREADY HALF WAY THROUGH THE ONE MONTH DEADLINE. HE EMPHASISED THAT THE QUESTION OF MEDIATION WAS NOT RELATED TO THE NEW CONSTITUTION BUT ONLY ABOUT CERTAIN REMAINING POINTS RELATING TO THE TRANSITIONAL CONSTITUTION. THE NATIONAL PARTY HAD NEVER LIKED THE IDEA OF MEDIATION, BUT HAVING SAID "YES" IT WAS COMMITTED TO ADHERING TO IT. ANY SUCH MEDIATION WOULD NEED REALISTIC TERMS OF REFERENCE. HE EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT WHAT AGENDA BOTH THE ANC AND THE IFP WERE PURSUING. IT WAS NOTABLE HOW BUTHELEZI'S CHALLENGE TO THE ZULU KING HAD FOLLOWED HIS WALKOUT FROM PARLIAMENT. HIS ONLY HOPE WAS THAT BUTHELEZI HAD SECURED ENOUGH FLEXIBILITY FROM HIS RECENT PARTY CONFERENCE TO BE ABLE TO FIND A WAY THROUGH WITHOUT PRECIPITATING ANOTHER CRISIS.

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FROM PRIVATE SECRETARY

SUBJECT : EU/SOUTH AFRICA

1. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY TOLD DEPUTY PRESIDENT MBEKI ON 21 MARCH THAT WE WANTED TO MOVE AHEAD WITH AN EU/SOUTH AFRICA AGREEMENT. FURTHER DETAILED WORK WAS NEEDED AND THERE WAS LIKELY TO BE SOME PROGRESS THIS WEEK FROM THE COMMISSION.

2. MBEKI SAID THAT ONE POSSIBILITY WAS A TEN YEAR ASYMMETRICAL FREE TRADE AREA AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EU AND SOUTH AFRICA, IN WHICH THE EU WOULD ENJOY UNRESTRICTED ACCESS TO THE SOUTH AFRICAN MARKET FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS. THIS WAS RAISING SOME CONCERNS IN THE COUNTRY. SOUTH AFRICAN INDUSTRY WAS STILL PRIMITIVE AND VERY HIGH COST. FOR EXAMPLE, A BMW PRODUCED IN SOUTH AFRICA WAS 40% MORE EXPENSIVE THAN ONE PRODUCED IN GERMANY. THE ALTERNATIVE OF A MARKET ACCESS AGREEMENT WOULD NEED A WAIVER FROM THE WORLD TRADE ORGANISATION OVER WHICH HE FORESAW DIFFICULTIES.

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FROM PRIVATE SECRETARY

SUBJECT : UK/SOUTH AFRICA DEFENCE COLLABORATION

SUMMARY

1. FOREIGN SECRETARY EMPHASISES THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO REBUILDING DEFENCE LINKS. NAVAL COOPERATION WOULD BE GREATLY ENHANCED IF THE SOUTH AFRICANS WERE TO BUY THE CORVETTES FROM YARROW. MBEKI SAYS THAT THE EVALUATION OF TENDERS HAS GONE WRONG AND THAT CABINET WAS BEING FACED WITH A SINGLE RECOMMENDATION, NAMELY TO BUY THE SPANISH VESSELS. HE WAS PRESSING FOR THE PROCESS TO BE REOPENED, THOUGH THAT MEANT THAT ALL FIVE ORIGINAL BIDS WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO BE LOOKED AT AGAIN. KASRILS (DEFENCE) STILL HOPEFUL OF RESTRICTING THE PROCESS TO THE SPANISH AND BRITISH BIDS.

DETAIL

2. UK/SOUTH AFRICAN DEFENCE COLLABORATION WAS A THEME OF THE FOREIGN SECRETARY'S TALKS IN THE MARGINS OF THE STATE VISIT. WITH DEPUTY PRESIDENT MBEKI, THE FOREIGN SECRETARY WENT THROUGH THE FULL RANGE OF OUR SUPPORT FOR THE MILITARY ASPECTS OF THE TRANSITION. THE AMALGAMATION OF THE SADF AND MK TO A NEW NATIONAL DEFENCE FORCE HAD NOT BEEN AN EASY TASK BUT WE BELIEVED THE BMATT TEAM HAD PLAYED A USEFUL ROLE. THE SOUTH AFRICANS WERE NOW LOOKING FOR ADVICE ON HOW TO SLIM DOWN THE SIZE OF THE ARMED FORCES, AN EXERCISE WE HAD ONLY RECENTLY COMPLETED OURSELVES. WE HAD EXPERTISE TO OFFER. MORE BROADLY HE HOPED TO CREATE A CLOSE DEFENCE RELATIONSHIP COVERING TRAINING, LIAISON AND DEFENCE EQUIPMENT THERE WAS NO NEED IN HIS VIEW FOR AN OVER-ARCHING DEFENCE AGREEMENT BUT WE DID NEED TO GET ON WITH THE DETAILS. THE OLD CLOSE RELATIONSHIP NEEDED TO BE REBUILT, ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY.

3. IN THIS CONTEXT, THE FOREIGN SECRETARY SAID THAT PURCHASE

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BY SOUTH AFRICA OF NEW CORVETTES FROM YARROWS WOULD BE A MAJOR ELEMENT IN OUR DEFENCE RELATIONSHIP. YARROWS HAD TO MEET THE SOUTH AFRICAN REQUIREMENTS AND SEE OFF THE COMPETITION. BUT SUCH A PURCHASE WOULD GREATLY BROADEN THE SCOPE FOR NAVY TO NAVY COLLABORATION AND BE A CENTREPIECE FOR MILITARY COOPERATION AS A WHOLE.

4. MBEKI SAID, A LITTLE APOLOGETICALLY, THAT SOMETHING SEEMED TO HAVE GONE WRONG WITH THE PROCESS OF EVALUATING TENDERS AND HE WAS NOW HAVING TO INSIST ON THE PROCESS BEING REOPENED. SOME OF THOSE INVOLVED SEEMED TO BE TRYING TO REACH TO QUICK A CONCLUSION AND THE CABINET WERE BEING PRESENTED WITH WHAT LOOKED LIKE A PRIOR DECISION FOR THE SPANISH BID. THE TENDERING DID NOT LOOK TO BE EVEN-HANDED. THERE WOULD BE A PRESENTATION TO CABINET NEXT WEEK AND HE HOPED THAT, WHILE SOME DELAY WAS INEVITABLE, THERE WOULD BE A DECISION WITHIN WEEKS RATHER THAN MONTHS.

5. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY SAID IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR US FOR YARROWS BID TO BE PROPERLY CONSIDERED. HE LEFT THE IMPRESSION THAT IT WOULD BE MORE DIFFICULT FOR US TO RESPOND TO SOUTH AFRICAN REQUESTS FOR MILITARY COOPERATION IF THE CORVETTES CONTRACT WENT ELSEWHERE. IN A BRIEF DISCUSSION ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA'S NEEDS FOR THE VESSELS, THE FOREIGN SECRETARY SAID THAT WITH SUCH A HUGE COAST LINE AND MARITIME INTERESTS, THERE WAS A PRIME FACE CASE FOR A SOUTH AFRICAN NAVY. MBEKI MADE CLEAR HE AGREED.

6. DE KLERK THE PREVIOUS DAY HAD FORESHADOWED SOME OF THESE POINTS. HE SAID THAT ALL FIVE ORIGINAL BIDDERS WERE STILL PUSHING. HE AND MANDELA HAD LOOKED AT PRESENTATIONS FROM THE BIDDERS BUT THE WHOLE CABINET HAD TO BE INVOLVED AND BE BEHIND THE FINAL DECISION. THAT MEANT A TRANSPARENT AND FAIR PROCESS. THE UK DECISION AGAINST THE ROOIVALK HELICOPTER HAD BEEN A FURTHER COMPLICATION. THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN A TANGIBLE ELEMENT OF ANY COUNTERTRADE, NOT LEAST AS IT WOULD HAVE OPENED UP THE WORLD MARKET FOR HELICOPTERS TO SOUTH AFRICAN PRODUCERS. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY MADE CLEAR THAT OUR DECISION ON ROOIVALK HAD BEEN SOLELY ON THE MERITS OF THE PACKAGE PUT FORWARD.

7. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY GAVE RONNIE KASRILS, THE DEPUTY DEFENCE MINISTER, A SIMILAR ANALYSIS TO THE ONE HE GAVE MBEKI. KASRILS THOUGHT THAT THE BID STILL RESTED BETWEEN YARROWS AND THE SPANISH BID. HE WAS DISAPPOINTED AT MBEKI'S COMMENTS THAT

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OTHERS MAY COME BACK INTO THE RUNNING. HE THOUGHT THERE WAS ONLY A 40% CHANCE THAT HE AND THE OTHERS WOULD BE ABLE TO PERSUADE CABINET TO GO AHEAD WITH THE CORVETTES AT ALL, BUT WAS COMMITTED TO PUSHING THE ARGUMENTS WHICH HE SAW AS STRONG. HE EXPECTED A DECISION IN MAY, WHICH WOULD LEAVE TIME FOR A REEVALUATION OF THE WHOLE PROCESS IF NECESSARY.

COMMENT

8. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY CONCLUDES FROM ALL THIS THAT THERE IS STILL A GREAT DEAL TO PLAY FOR BUT WE WILL HAVE TO WORK HARD IF YARROW'S BID IS TO SUCCEED. HIS IMPRESSION IS THAT THE SOUTH AFRICANS WILL OPT TO BUY CORVETTES BUT THAT THE SPANISH BID IS FIRMLY IN THE LEAD AT PRESENT. OUR STRONGEST SUIT IS THE BROADER DEFENCE RELATIONSHIP WE CAN OFFER THE SOUTH AFRICANS WITH THE CORVETTES DEAL AT THE CENTRE OF IT. HE THINKS WE SHOULD NOW WORK UP WAYS TO THICKEN THIS RELATIONSHIP, PARTICULARLY PERHAPS ON THE NAVAL SIDE, BUT IN WAYS WHICH WOULD BE CONDITIONAL UPON THE CORVETTE DEAL GOING AHEAD. THESE IDEAS WILL NEED TO BE WORKED UP IN TIME FOR THE DEFENCE SECRETARY TO DEPLOY THEM WHEN HE IS SOUTH AFRICA IN EARLY APRIL.

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20 March 1995

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Dear Roderic,

Follow-Up to the Prime Minister's Visit to South Africa:
Prime Minister's Reception on 1 May

Thank you for your letter of 11 March which in the main seemed to be addressed to DTI and DNH. I can confirm that Lady Chalker will attend the Prime Minister's reception. The Foreign Secretary would like to have another reception that evening, but I am sure that he will try to drop in if he can.

In addition, you may like to consider inviting Lord Inglewood (who spoke in the Lords for the Government on the South Africa Bill and also in the Lords' Debate on Economic, Cultural, Sporting and Tourist links with South Africa) and Mr Baldry (who took the South Africa Bill through the Commons).

If you can give us a couple more days, we will also send you some names of Peers and MPs with sporting and business links with South Africa (I believe that the House of Lords and House of Commons rugby and cricket teams are both visiting South Africa this year) and one or two names of people connected with the aid effort.

Yours ever,

Sam

(S J Sharpe)
Private Secretary

Roderic Lyne Esq CMG
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From: RODERIC LYNE
Date: 24 March 1995

cc (without enc): Edward Oakden

PRIME MINISTER

SOUTH AFRICA RECEPTION, 1 MAY

I attach:

- guest list: **are you content?** Do you have any additional suggestions at this stage? (Some further suggestions may come in from Howard Davis);
- the note explaining the party which I propose to include with the invitations: **content?**
- a message **for signature** which the Sports Council will include in their newsletter on the Sports Initiative (copies of which will be available at the reception).

① Yes. I do. We need publicity for this.
Sporting Journalists / Writers
J. Sumner / Parkes / T. Hunt
A. Davies etc.
② TV to be there?

As background, I also attach some South African press cuttings sent to me by the Sports Council, and the handbook on their Initiative (no need to read it all, but the first two or three pages will give you the general picture).

Format of the Reception

I shall be having a meeting on 7 April with the DTI and the Sports Council to discuss arrangements for the reception. If you are content, we might have the Judy Simpson video on continuous play in the White Room, so that those who are interested can wander in and out. The Sports Council and DTI might send

Good idea

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some short briefing notes to guests before the reception, so that they have a little more detail. At the event itself, we shall have some documents which people can pick up on the way out and take home. We shall need to decide who says what (given that any speeches should be kept very short).

Business Launch

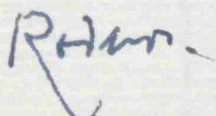
The DTI intend to use the reception to announce the formation of their new high level Business Group for South Africa. They have yet to think up a good title for it. Sir Brian Pearce has agreed to be chairman. Richard Needham also wants to promote the British Business Exhibition in Johannesburg this September, and may have one or two other ideas up his sleeve.

Sport

All five of the "sporting ambassadors" are able to come, including Judy Simpson. You asked what had happened to her running track idea. This was explored with the South Africans, but they did not want to put it at the top of the list of their sporting priorities. The Sports Council are therefore going for a broader set of initiatives. As their handbook records, they have started with £176,000 of public money from different sources. They are seeking to add to it through commercial sponsorship, and of course hope that your reception will raise the level of interest among potential sponsors.

British High Commission

I asked Douglas Hurd's Private Secretary (whose last posting was in South Africa) to use the margins of the State Visit to encourage, pretty firmly, a more active level of participation by the High Commission. I await his report.



Roderic Lyne

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cc DTI
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From the Private Secretary

27 March 1995

Dear John,

Many thanks for your letters of 15 and 23 March, for the handbook and for your suggested guest list.

I enclose a message for your newsletter signed by the Prime Minister. I have asked the Press Office to obtain a suitable photograph of the cricket in Alexandra and will send this on as soon as I can.

Martyn Baker of the DTI, to whom I am copying this letter, can manage 1530 on Friday, 7 April for a short meeting here at No.10 with you and me to discuss the format of the reception and briefing notes to be sent out in advance. Would this time suit you as well?

*Yours ever,
Roderic*

RODERIC LYNE

John Scott, Esq.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

My visit to South Africa last year was one of the most stimulating overseas journeys I have made. There is an enormous amount to be done in South Africa - and an enormous amount which the United Kingdom can do there, not least in promoting sport.

Sport, as I told the South African Parliament, has a huge part to play in the life of a healthy community. It is an outlet for the energies of young people. It develops individual character and teamwork. It gives enjoyment to people who, in many cases, have few facilities for recreation. And it builds bridges between nations.

That is why I launched the United Kingdom-South Africa Sports Initiative, with the help of the five sporting ambassadors who travelled with me.

As this newsletter shows, under the guidance and management of the Sports Council and with enthusiastic participation of sporting bodies in South Africa, the Sports Initiative continues to gather momentum.

I congratulate the Sports Council on the energy with which they have developed this Initiative. I am grateful to all who have helped them in different ways. I hope that many others will support this splendid new link between Britain and South Africa.

March 1995

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Major".



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Sue Goodchild 59

These are 2
good lists, but
I am not sure

a) how much
overlap we now
have

b) where we are
on numbers

Could we discuss on Friday,
before or after the
meeting, pm?

Rodden

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From
Howard Davies
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30 March 1995

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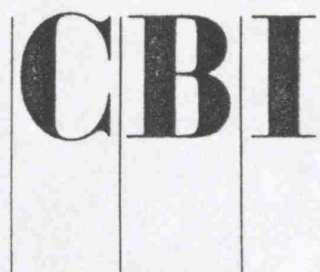
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Edward

Could you ring Marilyn Baker (DTI) on the
High Commission Commercial cbr.
in Pretoria (Reeve has, typically,

From: Dominic Morris**Date: 31 March 1995****MR LYNE***not replied to my fax!**and ask which of these firms are
big in S.A. Invite accordingly.***SOUTH AFRICA RECEPTION***Rodgers*

You asked if I had any more names to suggest. Try the following:

Sir Peter Middleton	Barclays
Bob Alexander	NatWest
(or John Melbourn)	
Roddy Fleming	Robert Fleming and Co
Chris Tugendhat	Abbey National (dark horse but why not get the South Africans sold on building society/bank combos)
Roger Bunn	Binney and Partners
The Hon Peter Benson	Coopers and Lybrand
Sir Desmond Pitcher	North West Water (since they have more experience than most of actually running water utilities under contract overseas).

I have so far failed to establish whether RTZ are big in South Africa as opposed to Namibia. Will try my contact there on Monday.

DOMINIC MORRIS



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From the Private Secretary

4 April 1995

Dear Dr. Carter,

**PRIME MINISTER'S RECEPTION TO ENCOURAGE
BUSINESS AND SPORTING LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA**

You will no doubt have seen a copy of Roderic Lyne's letter to the High Commissioner of 24 March, asking for suggestions, by 30 March, for key businessmen who might usefully be included in the Prime Minister's reception on 1 May.

I enclose some extra names which have been suggested on the business side. These are additional to ^{the} 70 odd names already on the DTI list. We have room to include most of them, provided you agree that their companies have good actual or potential business prospects in South Africa.

It would be helpful to have a reply by the end of the week, as we need to get the invitations out soon.

I am copying this letter to Martyn Baker (Department of Trade and Industry) and would similarly be grateful for his comments.

Yours ever,

Edward Oakden

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From: Rod Lyne
Date: 1 May 1995

PRIME MINISTER

NOTES FOR THE RECEPTION

I attach:

- Speaking notes (3 page format)
- alternative one page summary
- pocket summary of the batting order

1 May 1995

SOUTH AFRICA RECEPTION: 1 MAY

NOTES FOR REMARKS BY THE PRIME MINISTER

- Only 1 year, 4 days since extraordinary South African elections.
- Enormous amount achieved since then, both in South Africa and in our relations. **State Visit**, my own visit, visits by Michael Heseltine, Douglas Hurd, Malcolm Rifkind, David Hunt and others. Delighted South African Minister for Constitutional Development, Roelf Meyer, here this evening.
- Plus rugby and cricket Test series - both diplomatically drawn.
- Relationship with South Africa a very **high priority** for us. Politics; trade; a million people in South Africa who consider themselves British. We can help make a difference to the South African transition.
- Want to issue a business challenge and a sporting challenge this evening. Both initiatives going very well. Want you to help them go even better. And to **thank** the many people here already involved in them.
- On **business**, Michael Heseltine will say more about the "Opportunity South Africa" campaign; will introduce our new trade advisory body, **COSAT**, and its Chairman, Sir Brian Pearse. Just make three points:
 - (i) South Africa is already one of our biggest markets outside the OECD. Exports up 25 per cent last year to nearly **£1.5 billion**. Investment around **£10 billion**. Undoubted potential for the trade partnership to grow even bigger.

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(ii) Many thanks to the 30 British companies helping to develop new small businesses under the Soweto Skills Initiative.

(iii) I hope more small and medium sized companies will invest in South Africa with the help of the British Investment Promotion Scheme launched by Lynda Chalker.

- On the UK/South Africa Sports Initiative, I won't repeat what you have seen in the Sports Council's newsletter. They are going to show us a short video, and send you all copies of a longer version.
- **Sport not just a love for life, but an aid to development of the community and the individual.** Has a serious part to play in our relations with South Africa.
- South Africans were both surprised and delighted to hear me say this in a solemn speech in their **Parliament**. And my business team will tell you that the sporting connection was an asset in their contacts, too.
- Warm thanks to the enthusiastic **sporting ambassadors** who accompanied me - Bobby Charlton, Judy Simpson, Alex Stewart, Rob Andrew plus Colin Cowdrey for the Lords Taverners. And to the **Sports Council** for carrying the initiative forward so successfully, and to all who have taken part in it.
- The initiative has so far been funded by £170,000 of public money, for its first year. Proving its worth.

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- But much more to be done and **delighted to announce tonight that the Government is ready in principle to commit funds for a further year, to benefit under-privileged youth and communities in South Africa.**

- HMG will also be funding direct help by six **VSO** volunteers - some of whom are here - and providing some more equipment.

- This is where you come in. I would like this to be a **partnership between the public and private sectors**. Companies doing business in South Africa can show their commitment by helping us to develop even more facilities. The Sports Council have given you the details, and they have people here who can explain more to you.

- Finally:
 - Welcome the new South African High Commissioner, Mendi Msimang, and in a few minutes will ask him to introduce the video. Great pleasure also to see his predecessor, Kent Durr.

 - Seeing some distinguished rugby figures, may I wish all four British Isles rugby teams the best of luck in the **World Cup**? May the best team win the Cup - so long as it is one of these four!

- Over to Michael Heseltine.

YOUR REMARKS AT 1 MAY RECEPTION: CHECK-LIST

- One year four days since SA elections.
- SA transition + bilateral links (visits, politics, trade, people).
Welcome SA Minister for Constitutional Development, Roelf Meyer.
- Business initiatives. Heseltine to describe. "Opportunity South Africa"/"Soweto Skills Initiative"/"British Investment Promotion Scheme"/launching COSAT (Brian Pearse). Exports £1.5billion /investment about £10 billion.
- Sports initiative. Own visit. SA Parliament speech. Sporting ambassadors. Townships. Initiatives launched: £170,000 from FCO/ODA/British Council for first year.
- Announce HMG ready in principle to commit funds for a further year.
- Also funding six VSO volunteers (some present tonight) plus more equipment.
- Want private sector partnership. See video. Further details from Sports Council.
- Welcome new SA High Commissioner, Mendi Msimang (predecessor, Kent Durr, also here).
- Rugby World Cup: 4 home teams.
- Over to Heseltine.

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RECEPTION, 1 MAY

Batting Order at 1850

1. Prime Minister
2. President of the Board of Trade
3. Sir Brian Pearse (Chairman, Committee on South African Trade -
COSAT)
4. South African High Commissioner, Mr Mendi Msimang, to introduce
Sports Council video
5. Showing of video
6. Mrs Judy Simpson

From: Roderic Lyne
Date: 7 April 1995

Prime Minister

cc: Paddy Feeny
Sue Goodchild
Edward Oakden

*Good -
Country always well
A.S.G.*

SOUTH AFRICAN RECEPTION: 1 MAY

We held a further meeting this afternoon with the Sports Council and DTI to plan the Reception.

Cast List

✓ The guest list seems to be shaping up well. Though Sue Goodchild has not yet had confirmations from all, the Sports Council think that all the "sporting ambassadors" will be able to come, with the possible exception of Alec Stewart.

Business Launch

✓ Brian Pearce has confirmed his agreement to head the new Trade Advisory Group for South Africa which will be launched at the Reception. I have told DTI that I was sure you would happily sign a letter thanking him for this (which might in turn encourage other high level businessmen to join the Group).

Literature

Both DTI and the Sports Council are preparing some briefing notes to be sent out to guests in advance. The Sports Council notes will advertise their scheme for private sector contributions to the Sports Initiative. (I have continued to stress to them that you do not want a hard sell. And we shall continue to make clear to the businessmen that they are being invited in their own right, irrespective of whether or not they choose to contribute to the Sports Initiative).

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We saw the galley proofs of the Sports Council's newsletter. It has two excellent colour photographs of you on the front page - one executing an off drive in the nets; and the other with Bobby Charlton in a crowd of school children.

Presentation at the Reception

I have decreed that the presentation at the Reception must be short and pithy - maximum 10 minutes.

Subject to your views, we propose to organise it as follows:

- i. Your introductory remarks (covering both business and sport - two minutes).
- ii. Michael Heseltine or Richard Needham to announce the Trade Advisory Group and beat the drum for trade initiatives (about one minute).
- iii. Brian Pearce: introduction to the Trade Advisory Group (one minute).

Either

- iv. Judy Simpson and Bobby Charlton to describe the Sports Initiative (about three minutes) followed by concluding remarks by the new South African High Commissioner (one minute);

OR

- iv. South African High Commissioner to introduce video (half a minute).

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- v. Show video (four minutes).
- vi. Concluding remarks by Judy Simpson (one minute).

Video

The Sports Council are putting together a promotional video. It will incorporate some of the material compiled by Judy Simpson after your visit, plus extra footage on the Initiative. They hope to get Mandela (failing that Mbeke or Tshwete) to record a short message.

Having taken professional advice, and done similar exercises before, the Sports Council see the video as the centrepiece of their presentation. They will give copies to the businessmen to take home, and also hope to get some air time for it on British and South African television.

We looked at two options for showing the video during the reception:

- Plan A (strongly preferred by the Sports Council)
Erect two large flat projection screens in the corners of the Green Room and the Pillared Room, and do one showing of the video during the speeches.

Comment: I was initially against this as the screens will not look pretty in the corners of the room, and the showing might fit rather oddly into the party format. But we think the screens could be tucked into the corners so that they do not get in the way, and there is no doubt that this way of showing the video would have the greater impact. It is of course essential that it should be short.

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Plan B

Erect screens in the large dining room and the White Room, with the video running continuously on a loop. Invite guests to wander through one or other room during the course of the evening to see the video.

Comment: Sports Council would buy this, but very much as second best. Less intrusion on the party, but less impact.

I have reserved your position entirely. **Do you have strong views?**

No -

Future Government Funding

The public funds used to launch the Sports Initiative during your visit were committed for one year only. The Sports Council hope you will be able during the party to announce continued Government funding into next year, or preferably two.

I have taken a sounding in Douglas Hurd's office. The response was not discouraging: John Sawers thought it should be possible to find sums of this order out of the fairly substantial programme allocated to South Africa.

Good.

Continued Government funding should help us to attract private sector donations.

Content for me to follow up with the attached letter to the FCO?

Roderic

RODERIC LYNE

FVAFRICA.KW

MR LYNE

South Africa Reception
1 May

I attach an up-to-date list of guests
attending the Reception on 1 May.

I also attach a list of those
still to be invited if there is space.

I have faxed this list to Andrew
Sanders at DTI

Sue

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As at 21 April

LIST OF GUESTS ATTENDING THE RECEPTION TO BE GIVEN BY THE PRIME
MINISTER ON 1 MAY 1995 FROM 6.00 PM to 7.30 PM

The Prime Minister

Ministers

Rt Hon Douglas Hurd, MP

Rt Hon Michael Heseltine, MP

Rt Hon Malcolm Rifkind, MP

Rt Hon William Waldegrave, MP due to visit South Africa

Rt Hon Dr Brian Mawhinney, MP due to visit South Africa

Rt Hon Stephen Dorrell, MP

Rt Hon The Baroness Chalker

Mr Anthony Nelson, MP

?Rt Hon Richard Needham, MP

Mr Tony Baldry, MP

Mr Iain Sproat, MP

High Commissioner

His Excellency the High Commissioner for South Africa

Mr Kent Durr former High Commissioner for South
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?Mr Alan Hansen	
Mr Gary Mabbutt	Captain, Tottenham Hotspur FC
Athletics	
Mr Arthur McAllister	President, British Athletic Foundation
Professor Peter Radford	Executive Chairman, British Athletic Federation
Mr David Lease	National Coach
Mr Peter Thompson	Curriculum Consultant, International Amateur Athletic Federation
Mr Robert Stinson	Hon. Treasurer, International Amateur Athletic Federation
Rugby	
Mr Will Carling	England Team Captain
Mr Dennis Easby	President, The Rugby Football Union
Mr Jack Rowell	England Team Manager
Mr Dudley Wood	Secretary, The Rugby Football Union
?Mr Ieuan Evans	Wales Team Captain
?Mr Terry Kingston	Ireland Team Captain
Air Vice Marshal G.C. (Larry) Lamb	
Cricket	
Mr Alan Smith	Chief Executive, Test & County Cricket Board
Mr Ray Illingworth	Chairman of Selectors
Sports Leadership	
Mr Tim Cattle-Jones	Consultant to Sports Council
Mr Tony Byrne	Director, Coachwise
Ms Sue Campbell	Chief Executive, Youth Sport Trust

Mr Geoff Cooke	Chief Executive, National Coaching Foundation
?Mr Norman Brook	Consultant to the National Coaching Foundation
Mr Nick Barret	Recruitment Officer, VSO
Sports Council	
Mr Rodney Walker	Chairman, Sports Council (England)
Mr Trevor Brooking	Vice Chairman, Sports Council (England)
Mr Derek Casey	Chief Executive, Sports Council (England)
Mr Geoff Thompson	Member
Ms Sarah Springman	Member
Mr John Scott	Head of International Affairs
Mr Andreas Hansen	Higher Executive Officer
?Mr Jonathan O'Neil	Press Officer
Mr George Reynolds	Senior Regional Officer, South West Region

Sports Delegation

Mr Rob Andrew	
?Sir Bobby Charlton	
Sir Colin Cowdrey	
Mrs Judy Simpson and Mr Robin Simpson	

BUSINESSMEN**Minister for Trade's Visit**

Mr S. Wauchope	Managing Director, Acorn Computers
Mr Christopher Kemp	Director General, Association of British health-Care Industries
Mr Gordon Edington	Group Property Director, BAA International
Mr John Weston	Chairman and Managing Director, British Aerospace Defence Ltd.,
?Mr I. Alston	Regional Manager, BT (Worldwide) Ltd.

Mr Ronald Petersen	Chief Executive, Bridon plc
Mr Dominic Savage	Director, British Educational Suppliers Association
Mr John Carrington	Director of Regional Businesses, Cable & Wireless plc
Mr John Caudwell	Chairman, Caudwell Communications Ltd.
Professor M.A. Brown	Executive Pro Vice Chancellor, De Montford University, Leicester
Mr David Probert	Chairman, Crown Agents
Mr G. Cowen	Managing Director, Dewplan Ltd.,
Mr G.F. Page	Chief Executive, Cobham plc
Mr J.B Cronin	Managing Director, GEC Alsthom NV
Mr Paul Turner	Goddard Kay Rogers and Associates Ltd
Mr Brian Baldock	Managing Director and Joint Deputy Chairman, Guinness plc
Mr Jonathan First	Director, Henry Ansbacher & Co. Ltd.
?Mr G. Gonszor	Managing Director, International Dept., Hill Samuel
Mr Glen Cooper	Managing Director, Industrial Control Services
Mr Howard Lyons	International Hospitals Group
Mr J. Patterson	Managing Director (Sales) J.C. Bamford Excavators Ltd.
Mr Brian Boys	Chairman, John Laing International Ltd
Mr Graham Titcombe	Main Board Director, Johnson Matthey
Mr B. Kennedy	Director, Longwall International Ltd
Mr Henry Johnston	Managing Director, MIVAN Overseas Ltd.
Mr Martin Kingston	Morgan Grenfell
Mr David Mansfield	Chief Executive, Nottingham Group Holdings plc
Mr Mark Bostock	Director, Arup Economics & Planning
Mr Steve Lister	Sales Director, Pace Micro Technology
Mr John Foley	Marketing Director (Education)

Mr Alan Carnell	Group Commercial Director, Racal Group Services Ltd
Mr Philip Hills	Managing Director, Samuel Montagu
Mr G. Henderson	Senior Partner, Slaughter & May
Mr Barry Myers	Managing Director, Trafalgar House Construction Ltd.
Mr David Hastie	Sales Director, Vickers Defence
?Mr M.D. Willetts	President (Development) Wade Adams
?Mr T. Quick	Acting Sales & Marketing Director Westland Helicopters Ltd.
Mr David Teague	ICL plc
Mr Adrian Platt	Director Group Development Sedgwick Group plc
Mr A. Morrison	Chairman, Defence Systems Ltd.
Mr I.M. Martin	Fairey Hydraulics
Mr H.J. Pearce	EMS Medical
Mr Roger Mabey	Managing Director, Bovis International
Mr D.D.A. Piesold	Chairman, Knight Piesold International
Mr S.C.Y. Parker	Director Kleinwort Benson
Mr J. Cheesebrough	Regional Director and General Manager (Africa) AMEC Process & Energy Ltd.
Mr Alistair Boyd	CDC Advisor, Commonwealth Development Corporation
Mr David Henning	Managing Director, VODAC Vodaphone Group
Mr T. Gould	Structherm
Mr Leslie Jones	Chairman, Biwater Ltd
Dr. Swraj Paul	Chairman and Chief Executive, Caparo Grojp Ltd.
Mr David Longdon	Managing Director and Chief Executive, ELM Capital Management
?Mr David Anderson	Regional Director - Africa, Massey Ferguson Group
Business Team who accompanied the Prime Minister to South Africa	
Mr Tim Barker	Vice Chairman, Kleinwort Benson Group

Sir Christopher Benson	Chairman, Costain Group plc
Mr Sydney Gillibrand	Vice Chairman, British Aerospace plc
The Earl Cairns	Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive S.G. Warburg Group plc
Mr Andrew Cummins	Director Strategy Development Inchcape plc
Mr Howard Davies	Director General, CBI
Mr Michael Dobson	Chief Executive, Morgan Grenfell
Sir John Egan	Chief Executive, BAA plc
Mr George Kennedy	Chairman, Smiths Industries Medical Systems
Mr Michael Marks	Chief Executive, Smith New Court plc
Sir Peter Newsam	Director, Institute of Education
Mr Roderick Paul	Chief Executive, Severn Trent plc
Sir Brian Pearce	Chairman, The Housing Corporation
Dr Roy Reynolds	Chief Executive Commonwealth Development Corporation
Sir Ralph Robins	Chairman, Rolls Royce plc
Mr Ian Robinson	Chairman and Chief Executive, Scottish Power
Other Businessmen	
Sir Sydney Lipworth	National Westminster Bank plc
Sir Philip Oppenheimer	Chairman, The Diamond Trading Co.Ltd
Mr Peter Bonfield	ICL plc
Mr Marcus Beresford	Managing Director, GKN Industrial Services. Have sizeable pallet business in South Africa
?Mr Andrew Buxton	Chairman, Barclays Bank. Barclays recently returned to S.A.
Sir Colin Marshall	Chairman, British Airways plc
?Mr James Ross	Chief Executive, Cable & Wireless
Mr Martin Broughton	Chief Executive, BAT Industries plc
?Mr Alec Daly	Deputy Director General, CBI
Ms Lorna Bowden	South Africa Desk, CBI

Mr A.P. Dyer	Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive The BOC Group plc
Mr Dominic Cadbury	Chairman, Cadbury Schweppes plc
?Mr Pieter Montyn	Marketing Director Africa, GEC-Marconi
?Mr Rob White-Cooper	Vice Chairman, Sedgwick Group
?Mr N.C. Ireland	Chairman, BTR plc
?Mr C.F.N. Hope	Chairman and Chief Executive, T & N plc
?Dr R.A. Easton	Chief Executive Delta plc
?Sir Ernest Harrison	Chairman, Chubb Security plc
?The Lord Ashburton	Chairman, British Petroleum plc

Others

Sir John Hanson	British Council
Mr Edmund Marsden	British Council
??Sir Michael Caine and Miss Emma Nicholson, MP	Africa 95
The Lord Inglewood	spoke for Government in Lords Debates on South Africa
Sir Robert Scott	
Mr Patrick Shervington	Lord's Taverners
Ms Valerie Amos	International Consultant
?Mr Brian Coombs	Chairman, London Committee of Wooden Spoons Society

MPs

Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Pattie, MP

British CPA Delegation April

Rt Hon Sir Norman Fowler, MP

Rt Hon The Lord Ashley of Stoke

Mr Roger Gale, MP

Miss Kate Hoey, MP

?Mr Alun Michael, MP

Mr Cyril Townsend, MP

Mr Peter Temple-Morris, MP	Chairman, British-South Africa Parliamentary Group
Mr Richard Caborn, MP	Deputy Chairman plus Lords/Commons Cricket Tour to South Africa
The Lord St. John of Bletso	Vice Chairman and Cricket Tour
Mr Henry Bellingham, MP	Joint Treasurer and Cricket Tour

Those involved in Aid effort

Mr Michael Gidney	Head of New Services, VSO (carried out a consultant to identify VSO sports programme which FCO are proposing to finance
Ms Joanna White	going to Soweto for 2 years as volunteer to help with VSO Sports Development Programme
Miss Monica Golding	will be posted in Septembe as volunteer for 2 years
Miss Carol Scoines	Crown Agents involved in Soweto Skills Initiative
Mr Robert Smale	British Coal Enterprise Ltd. - involved in British Investment Scheme
Mr Graham Young	TRAIDCRAFT - involved in Export Marketing and Training Initiative
Mr Dennis Dickinson	British Executive Service Overseas involved in BESO's work in South Africa
Miss Sara Harrity	Book Aid International - involved in book project

South Africans

?Mr Mluleki George	President, National Sports Council Johannesburg
Ms Neziswa Jordan	Managing Director, Just Exchange South Africa

Press

Mr E.W. Swanton	
?Mr Michael Parkinson	
Mr Desmond Lynam	

Mr David Moorcroft

?Mr Brendan Foster

?Mr Clive Lloyd

Mr Nigel Starmer-Smith

Mr Steve Rider

BBC Grandstand

?Mr John Goodbody

The Times

?Mr John Rodda

The Guardian

Mr Garth Crooks

?Mr Trevor McDonald

ITN

Officials

Mr Hayden Phillips

DNH

Mr Martyn Baker

DTI

?Mr Peter Longworth
OR

Consul General, Johannesburg

?Mr Nigel Haywood

Deputy Consul General Johannesburg

10 Downing Street

Mr Alex Allan

Mr John Ward, MP

The Lord McColl

Mr Howell James

Mr Christopher Meyer

Mr Roderic Lyne

Mrs Mary Francis

Mr Edward Oakden

Mr Nick True

Mr Dominic Morris

Mr Mike Price

THOSE NOT YET INVITED**PRETORIA LIST**

Dr J.S. Jennings	Chairman, Shell International
Mr H. Wendt	Chairman, Smithkline Beecham plc
Mr J.M. Fry	Chief Executive, Burma Castrol plc
Mr Dieter Boch	Chief Executive, Lonrho
Dr John Parker	Chairman, Babcock International Group
Mr Bernd Pischdjsrieder	Chairman, Rover Group Holdings plc

DNH List

Ms Brigid Simmonds	Chief Executive, Business in Sport and Leisure
Mr David Graveney	General Secretary, Cricketers' Association
Sir John Hall	Chairman, Newcastle United
Mr Peter Lawson	General Secretary, CCPR

Other Suggestions

Mr Roddy Fleming	Robert Fleming and Co.
The Lord Tugendhat	Abbey National plc
Mr Roger Bunn	Binney and Partners
The Hon Peter Benson	Coopers and Lybrand
Sir Desmond Pitcher	North West Water



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(Faxed)

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From the Private Secretary

24 March 1995

Further to our conversation earlier this evening, I attach DTI's list of businessmen to be invited to the reception on 1 May.

They have aggregated the businessmen who were in the parties of the Prime Minister, the President of the Board of Trade and the Minister for Trade. This is fine, but it may mean that they have missed out some useful players.

I am adding Sydney Lipworth, Martin Laing, Geoffrey Pattie (wearing his business, rather than his political hat) and Derek Thomas of Rothschild for starters.

Please feel free to suggest any others who occur to you. We should be able to accommodate up to ten more, though I have not yet done a final count of numbers.

RODERIC LYNE

Howard Davis, Esq.

24 MAR '95 18:00 DTI PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

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24 March 1995

Dear Roderic,

FOLLOW UP TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA

I am writing in reply to your letter of 11 March to Sam Sharpe which was copied to me and requested a list of businessmen to invite to the Prime Minister's reception on 1 May.

It is not clear to me from your letter whether the party who accompanied the Prime Minister are to be invited in addition to the seventy nominations. However, please find attached the list of the sixteen who accompanied the Prime Minister and the fifty who accompanied the President of the Board of Trade. Should you require any further names please let me know.

I am copying this letter to John Kingman (Department of National Heritage).

Yours,

Rachel

RACHEL JENKINSON
Private Secretary

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Foreign &
Commonwealth
Office

24 Mar 1995

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Dear Roderic,

No 10 Reception: 1 May

We spoke about possible names to be invited to the Prime Minister's reception on 1 May. I enclose a list of the British CPA delegation visiting South Africa in April, the Parliamentary British-South Africa Group, and the list of the party visiting South Africa for the Lords and Commons cricket tour in September. I am going to send you a list of four names of people associated with the aid effort.

Yours ever,

Sam

(S J Sharpe)
Private Secretary

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British CPA Delegation

The Rt Hon Sir Norman Fowler MP
The Rt Hon Lord Ashley of Stoke CH
Roger Gale MP
Miss Kate Hoey MP
Alun Michael JP MP
Cyril Townsend MP



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cc EO
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P. Flannery

From the Private Secretary

10 April 1995

Dear John,

1 MAY RECEPTION

I have briefed the Prime Minister about our meeting on Friday. He was glad to hear that preparations are going well.

The Prime Minister has agreed to the showing of the video during the reception. So long as the two screens can be set up as unobtrusively as you suggested on Friday, he would be content for the video to be interleaved with the speeches (i.e. "Plan A"). The presentation, for which the maximum running time must be no more than 10 minutes, would then run in the following order:

- i. Introductory remarks by the Prime Minister, covering both business and sporting initiatives (up to two minutes).
- ii. Remarks by the President of the Board of Trade or the Minister for Trade about the progress of business initiatives, and announcing the formation of the Trade Advisory Group (one minute).
- iii. Sir Brian Pearce's introduction to the Trade Advisory Group (one minute).
- iv. South African High Commissioner to introduce the video (about half a minute). I shall contact the High Commissioner after Easter.
- v. Video (about four minutes).
- vi. Concluding remarks by Judy Simpson (one minute).

If, for whatever reason, we are not able to show the video, we could give Judy Simpson and Bobby Charlton a four minute slot to describe the Sports Initiative.

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I have been in touch with the FCO, as we agreed, to seek advice on future Government funding for the Sports Initiative.

I have also supported your request for help over an approach to President Mandela. I have stressed that Mandela must not be put under any pressure to take on this commitment at short notice, if it cannot easily be fitted into his programme; and have suggested Mbeki and Tshwete as alternatives.

Please keep me posted over progress. I shall be back in the office from 18 April.

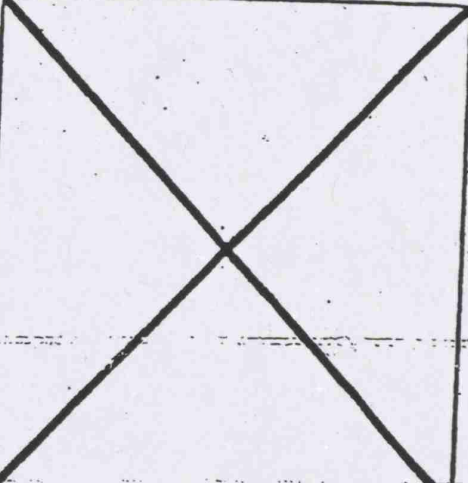
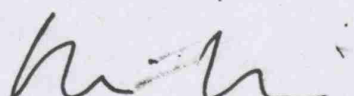
I am copying this letter to Martyn Baker at the Department of Trade and Industry.

*yours ever,
Roderic*

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15 March 1995

Mr R Lyne
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Dear Roderick

It was good to meet you last week and to begin preparations for the Prime Minister's Reception.

We are naturally delighted that this interest is continuing as we fervently believe in the importance of sport as both a developmental and diplomatic tool.

Just to update you: I have spoken with Rob Andrew and Bobby Charlton, both of whom are available for the 1st. I have also left messages for Alex Stewart and Colin Cowdrey and have followed up your letter to Judy Simpson with a call to her.

I am in the process of compiling the invitation list for sport as we agreed and, once I have a list for all I will get this through to you, probably early next week. It will be a fairly long list as some will undoubtedly be unavailable, but I will mark it with 'must be there' and 'nice to be there'.

I am collecting a number of press clippings on various launches and will send these with an updated report early next week.

I did mention that we would like a comment from the Prime Minister for inclusion in the newsletter we are preparing on the initiative, along with his signature and a photograph.

The text we are proposing is as follows:

'I am firmly convinced of the value of sport in the development of individual character and in building bridges between nations. The United Kingdom-South Africa sports initiative will hopefully achieve both these ends, whilst enabling a lot of young people to enjoy themselves in the process!'

This will be at the beginning of the newsletter and is intended to set the overall context for the initiative.

Alexandra Bowley

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I have tried all my contacts for tickets for England v Scotland but have failed miserably to obtain any. Even our Chief Executive and Rugby Liaison Officer have not got any tickets this year. You will just have to sit with your daughter and cheer the television!

I hope your visit to Israel and Palestine was a great success.

I will be in touch next week.

Yours sincerely

John Scott

John Scott
Head of International Affairs

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From the Private Secretary

13 March 1995

Dear John,

SOUTHERN AFRICA

The Prime Minister was grateful for the Chancellor of the Duchy's minute to him of 7 March about his recent trip to Southern Africa. This clearly went well.

The Prime Minister was glad that there does not seem to have been a backwash from our decision not to proceed with the South African bid in the competition for the UK's new attack helicopter.

It would be helpful if the FCO, consulting the MOD, could let me have a brief report on how the Rouivalk decision has been received in South Africa. By close on Friday, 17 March if possible please.

I am copying this letter to Sam Sharpe (Foreign and Commonwealth Office), Mike Venables (Ministry of Defence), Rachel Jenkinson (Department of Trade and Industry) and Melanie Leech (Cabinet Office).

Yours etc,

(Edward Oakden)

EDWARD OAKDEN

John Buck Esq
Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster's Office

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From the Private Secretary

11 March 1995

Dear Rob,

You will doubtless recall that Sir Christopher Benson tried to arrange a reunion after the Prime Minister's South African visit, but in the end was not able to gather everyone together because of their various busy schedules.

The Prime Minister is keen to give a boost to the various initiatives now under way to follow up his South Africa visit. He was therefore agreed to hold a reception here at No. 10 Downing Street on Monday 1 May (not a bank holiday this year) from 1800 to 1930 hours. We shall, of course, be inviting all of those who were in his party for South Africa, as well as a wider range of sports people now involved in different initiatives, and of businessmen with interests there.

I know that by 1 May we will be in the final run up to the England team's departure for the World Cup. However, I thought I would drop you a line ahead of the official invitation in the hope that you might be able to keep this space free in your diary. With the World Cup in mind, we are thinking also of inviting one or two other leading lights from the rugby fraternity.

Yours etc,
Roderic Lyne

RODERIC LYNE

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Rod/ ① I'd like to write to High Commissioners
about their showings. As re Re

From: RODERIC LYNE

Date: 11 March 1995

② What of Judith Rufus
PRIME MINISTER & the Running Track?

cc: Edward Oakden

SOUTH AFRICA: FOLLOW UP

11.3.

The Queen's State Visit should generate further press interest in South Africa. This is just to let you know how matters stand over the follow up to your own visit there, and with a view to the reception you will be holding on Monday 1 May.

On the **business** front, there are a number of initiatives in train under the general heading of "Opportunity South Africa". Following the Royal Visit, a "Britain Means Business" campaign will start in Cape Town with a seminar on the Royal Yacht. In the autumn, there will be a British exhibition in Johannesburg, which will also have some coverage of design and innovation, culture, sport and technical assistance. Ministerial visitors of different kinds are continuing to promote trade. You will have seen David Hunt's note on his recent visit. Brian Mawhinney and William Waldegrave are also due to go to South Africa. The Soweto Skills Initiatives has now brought the first trainees to the UK. The CBI and the South Africa Chamber of Business are, I understand, planning an investment seminar. And a second meeting of the business round table which you opened in September is due to take place this month.

During our visit to Israel, I shall talk to Howard Davis and Martin Baker of the DTI about ways in which these various initiatives can be recognised and encouraged at your reception, and gathering their suggestions for the guest list.

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On the sporting side, I was briefed today by John Scott of the Sports Council. I attach some notes which he left with me. ✓

His message was that a number of different initiatives are running successfully as a result of the impulse which you gave (indeed, they are known in South Africa as "the Prime Minister's initiative".) For example, a group from the Football Association recently visited South Africa, and was received with tremendous enthusiasm. As his list shows, training courses and seminars are being held. I understand also that members of the England rugby party for the World Cup will be helping the follow-up. ✓

John was enthusiastic about progress and will provide a list of relevant names of people to be invited to your reception. ✓

He had one gripe to pass on, which was that the Foreign Office and the British High Commission in South Africa were showing a singular lack of interest.

They gave the impression that, once your visit was out of the way, they could leave sporting links as a matter entirely for others. John appreciated that they had a large workload in other areas, particularly with the State Visit coming up.

But he said that a small amount of the High Commission's time would pay dividends both in cementing local relationships in South Africa and in helping the work of the Sports Council here (given that it is a purely domestic body with no-one on the spot). One example he quoted was that no-one in the High

Commission had taken any interest in the FA visit, or been prepared to give a small reception for them. This despite the continuing enthusiasm of Steve

Tshwete and other members of the South African Government, and a great deal of local interest (which the High Commission could usefully have tapped). The High Commission had not even deigned to answer the Sports Council's letters.

No doubt there is another side to the story; but this is pretty disappointing.

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I have made a general inquiry of the FCO and will follow up more specifically once they have the State Visit out of the way.

Scott will be sending me a draft letter from you to Tshwete, expressing your continuing personal interest in the links between the (British) Sports Council and its newly established South African counterpart. This could help his efforts.

Why not
ask
Nick Troop
to go
(he knows
Africa) +
take Randy
out!!

To give him further encouragement, I have agreed to represent No. 10 at a dinner with some South African sports visitors on 27 March (if Mandy lets me off on her birthday!) He is also going to produce a newsletter describing what has been done under your sports initiative. He would like to include a short message from you in it, and one of the photographs of you in Alexandra Township.

(Yes)

He strikes me as both keen and sensible, and I think that we should go on helping him. We should demonstrate to the FCO - however reluctant they may be - that sport really can be a significant dimension in this relationship.

Yes.

I notice that you have recently been in correspondence with the Lords Taverners about their efforts. We should obviously include Colin Cowdrey, Brian Baldock and Patrick Sherrington in the party.

South Africa apart, Scott asked if we would be interested in promoting sports diplomacy elsewhere. I said: "horses for courses". I recalled the Colombian President's delight when we had Bobby Charlton at the lunch you gave for him. If the visit to Latin America comes off in the autumn, we might think of including some footballers and coaches in that.

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RODERIC LYNE

10 March 1995

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UNITED KINGDOM-SOUTH AFRICA SPORTS INITIATIVE KEY FACTS
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Training and education for athletics

- **Two courses** (January and April). Staffed by top UK Instructors. Delivering **training for coaches** and **training for trainers**.
- Participants on the training for trainers course will undertake to conduct around **ten Basic Level Coaching courses** in South Africa, using UK materials (May-August).
- At the end of the athletics project, over 1000 athletics coaches and coach educators will have been educated and certified on a total of twelve courses. South Africa will be self-sufficient in it's coach education needs.

Training and education for football

- **Six courses** (March). Staffed by FA experts. Delivering training for football leaders.
- Best 30 candidates from these courses progress to the **next level course** - F.A. International Preliminary Coaching Award.
- At the same time as courses, F.A. conducts a feasibility study into South African football, to assess how Football in the Community can be applied.
- At the conclusion of the project, over 350 football leaders will have been certified on seven courses. South Africa will be ready to cooperate further with the UK on developing Football in the Community.

Training and education for sports leaders

- **Two** Seminars will guide the South Africans in the development of their own curriculum. (February and March).
- **Four** Seminars and regional consultancies will help to build up structures to deliver these courses (March onwards).
- **Three** Seminars will train South African trainers to deliver courses.
- **Fifteen** pilot courses will test the new trainers and the new structures in operation.
- At the end of the administrators project, South Africa will have at it's disposal a corps of expert trainers in sports administration and a structure which enables these trainers to deliver courses.

UNITED KINGDOM-SOUTH AFRICA SPORTS INITIATIVE

THE AIMS OF THE INITIATIVE

- * To help South African sport to develop so that it can benefit all South Africans - Sport for All.
- * To re-establish close sporting links between the UK and South Africa.
- * To use sport as a means of community development and of bringing youth into organised structures.

BACKGROUND

The initiative was announced by Prime Minister John Major in South Africa in September 1994.

The Prime Minister was accompanied by five 'sporting ambassadors', who met with a wide range of sportspeople in South Africa.

These 'ambassadors' were:

Sir Bobby Charlton	Football
Judy Simpson	Athletics
Rob Andrew	Rugby
Alec Stewart	Cricket
John Scott	Sports Council

As a result of the meetings held by these ambassadors as well as consultations between senior UK and South African officials, the Prime Minister announced a wide-ranging programme of support which builds on previous work carried out by the Sports Council and the British Government with sport in South Africa.

SKILL TRANSFER - THE 'CASCADE EFFECT'

The initiative is divided into three main areas:

- Education and training for athletics
- Education and training for football
- Education and training for sports administrators

Work in each area will focus on the transfer of specialist skills from UK experts to South African experts. These South Africans will then pass their new skills on, ensuring that skills and knowledge 'cascade down' throughout South Africa.

CONTRIBUTING PARTNERS

A large number of partners are contributing to this venture, which is being coordinated by the UK Sports Council.

Among others, the Foreign Office, the Overseas Development Administration, the British Council and Voluntary Services Overseas have provided money and time.

The Football Association, the British Athletic Federation, the International Amateur Athletic Federation and the National Coaching Foundation are providing expertise on sporting matters.

PRINCIPLES BEHIND THE INITIATIVE

Long-term sustainability through training and education

1. The initiative focuses on training of trainers in athletics, football and sports administration. These trainers will pass their knowledge on coaches and administrators, making the South Africans independent in their development needs.

Permanent local structures

- 2 Successful development needs structures to support it - institutional, organisational, educational and human resources. These structures must be permanent in order to continue the process of development and should not rely on outside assistance for their continued existence.

The UK is working directly with partners in South Africa to ensure that their administrative capability is built up.

Appropriate to local conditions

- 4 The UK has consulted it's South African partners closely in every phase of the development of the initiative. The initiative is not based on glamorous elite sport, but on sustainable development in the South African context.

In particular, the Sports Council is coordinating closely with the National Sports Council of South Africa to make sure that all work carried out fits in with national plans to develop South African sport.



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From the Private Secretary

11 March 1995

Jean Sam,

**FOLLOW UP TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S
VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA**

In your letter of 25 January to Edward Oakden, you gave a helpful summary of action in different areas to follow up the Prime Minister's visit.

We have one further piece of follow-up in view here at No. 10. On Monday 1 May, the Prime Minister will give a reception from 1800 to 1930 hours with a South African theme. The aim is to give recognition and encouragement to those who are involved in sporting and business initiatives. I have been briefed by John Scott of the Sports Council on the sporting side, and he will be providing suggestions for the guest list. On the business front, I am in touch with Howard Davies and I have written also to Sir Christopher Benson.

As far as the guest list is concerned, I would welcome a list from the DTI of up to 70 senior businessmen involved in trade with South Africa (in the broadest sense - feasible and unfeasible), whom we should consider inviting to the reception. Could it please be divided into 50 first choice and 20 second? We shall of course invite all of those who accompanied the Prime Minister. DTI might also draw on the team which went to South Africa with the President of the Board of Trade, and on those who are involved in the "Britain Means Business" campaign, the exhibition in Johannesburg later in the year, and the Soweto Skills Initiative. I hope that the President of the Board of Trade and Mr. Richard Needham will be able to attend.

On sport, I would welcome any thoughts which DNH may have (it might be easiest for these to be fed direct to John Scott as he is drawing up a list for us). I hope that the Secretary of State for National Heritage and the Minister for Sport will be able to come.

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On the diplomatic and aid side, would the Foreign Secretary and the Minister for Overseas Development be free? Any other thoughts will be most welcome. (We shall of course invite the South African High Commissioner).

Could I please have input by the close on Friday 17 March?

Nearer the time, for the Prime Minister's background information, it would be helpful to have another letter on follow-up action, updating the information you sent in January and focusing particularly on business and sport. Could this please reach me by 24 April?

I am copying this letter to Mark Gibson (Department of Trade and Industry) and John Kingman (Department of National Heritage).

Yours truly,

Roderic Lyne

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From the Private Secretary

11 March 1995

Dear Sir Christopher,

BUSINESS AND SPORT

My apologies for the long delay in replying to your letter of 10 January. This letter is written also on behalf of my colleagues at No 10, to whom you kindly wrote at the same time.

Thank you, also, for your determined efforts to follow up the Prime Minister's visit to South Africa, in which you played such a positive part. You expressed disappointment in your letter at the slow progress in developing the business and sports initiatives. We here, and the Prime Minister personally, are keen to see them followed up. I have been in touch with the Foreign Office about this, and also with Howard Davies. We intend to pick up the baton!

The Prime Minister has agreed to host a reception at No 10 to give further encouragement to those who are involved in different initiatives with South Africa, and we have secured time in his diary for this on the evening of Monday 1 May from 1800-1930. I very much hope that you will be able to come.

We shall of course be inviting all those who were in the Prime Minister's party in South Africa. We shall also invite a wider selection of business people with interests there, and of sportsmen, sportswomen, and sports administrators who are (or are expected to be) involved in the various initiatives that are now up and running. I think that the Queen's State Visit later this month will generate a further burst of interest in relations between the two countries: and the reception will take place not long before the departure of the England rugby team for the World Cup.

I have held a meeting with John Scott of the Sports Council, to secure briefing on the latest state of play and to discuss the structure and guest list for the reception. I am sending a copy of this letter to him. He will assemble the

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sporting side of the guest list. I will put together the list of businessmen and others. I would welcome any suggestions which you might have on either count (I shall also tap Howard Davies and the DTI for advice). If you would think it useful, perhaps we could be in touch after my return from the Prime Minister's forthcoming trip to the Middle East, either on the telephone or by getting together.

yours sincerely,

Howard Davies

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From the Private Secretary

11 March 1995

Jean Judy,
News at last!

Christopher Benson wrote to a number of us following his meeting with you and Howard Davies, and expressed some disappointment that he personally was not able to carry matters further. The Prime Minister is very keen to give encouragement to those who are engaged in initiatives of different kinds, particularly in business and in sport, following up his visit to South Africa last September. We have now secured a firm slot in his diary for a reception for this purpose. The date is Monday 1 May (not a bank holiday this year); and the reception will be held here at No 10 from 1800-1930. We very much hope that you and your husband will be free to come.

I have held a meeting with John Scott to discuss how to structure the event, and to start working out the guest list. I am also in touch separately with Howard Davies, and have written to Christopher Benson. We shall of course invite all those who were in the Prime Minister's party in South Africa, but we shall also be looking for a wider selection of sports people involved in the initiatives which are now up and running, and of business people with interests in South Africa.

John and I would like you to be involved in the event to whatever extent you feel able, and would appreciate your thoughts on it. But we also know that you have a busy life, and we do not wish to place any unfair burdens on you - especially as we both have administrative back-up. John will be contacting you separately to look at things in more detail (and I am sending a copy of this letter to him); but I wanted to let you know personally that things are on the move, before I go off on Sunday morning with the Prime Minister on yet another overseas trip.

Yours ever,
Roderic

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Thank you.
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MY VISIT TO SOUTHERN AFRICA

I visited Mauritius and South Africa from 24-28 February (my visit was curtailed because of the Europe vote last week).

My visit to Mauritius was in fulfilment of a long-standing invitation to give a keynote speech to the Mauritian Civil Service about public sector reform. In the event, the occasion was presided over by the Mauritian Prime Minister who had encouraged most of his Cabinet to attend. I outlined the reforms we have undertaken, particularly under the umbrella of the Citizens Charter. My speech was enthusiastically received, and the Mauritian Minister for the Civil Service told me that he intended to distribute a copy to each of the 55,000 Civil Servants on the island. A visit by a British Cabinet Minister was evidently a major local event, and will I hope have given a boost to our interests there.

The main purpose of my trip was to follow-up, in South Africa, your agreement with Nelson Mandela during your own visit last autumn that there should be closer collaboration between the UK and South Africa in science and technology. To this end, I was accompanied in South Africa by the Chief Scientific Adviser and a strong delegation of leading UK scientists and businessmen. I signed an umbrella agreement on science and technology collaboration with the Science Minister, Dr Ben Ngubane and we launched both a joint fund for collaborative scientific research worth £600,000 over three years, and a separate prize for scientific co-operation. Dr Ngubane was also clearly delighted to accept my invitation to deliver the fourth Zuckermann science lecture this October. He is keenly interested in our technology foresight exercise, and we have offered to help advise the South Africans on how they might mount something appropriate to their own needs.

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In parallel with my own programme, the experts in the delegation held a series of scientific colloquia with South African colleagues, while Sir William Stewart held discussions on science policy and, following my departure, delivered on my behalf a keynote speech on the issue to the South African Foundation for Research and Development.

Separately, I met the Minister for Trade and Industry, Trevor Manuel, who welcomed the increase in UK exports to South Africa. I was also able to take forward discussions on public service reform with the relevant Minister, Mr Zola Skweyiya, who is keen for the Civil Service College to provide further support in the training of South African public servants. Since your 1991 meeting with Mr Mandela the College has mounted a highly successful training programme for leading ANC and other figures. The Minister now wants the College to help restructure the nearest equivalent training institution in South Africa. The Head of the College, who accompanied me to South Africa, was able to pursue discussions in depth; and details are now being worked out with the ODA. We hope soon to reach a conclusion which will allow the College, with other UK providers, to play a positive role.

Yes!
I was struck throughout my visit to South Africa by the goodwill which the United Kingdom enjoys, founded on a long history of cultural and political links and ably exploited by an effective High Commission. Other countries may sometimes be first in the field with offers of help, often generously financed; but the new South African administration appears genuinely to prefer to do business wherever possible with us. I believe that my visit, building on yours last autumn, has laid a firm foundation for co-operation in science and public service. My officials will be taking action forward over the coming months.

I am copying this minute to the Foreign Secretary, the President of the Board of Trade, the Defence Secretary and Sir Robin Butler.

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THE PRIME MINISTER

7 March 1995

Dear Patrick,

Thank you for your letter of 20 February. I was delighted to hear that the minibus announced during my visit to South Africa is to be presented later this month - and that you have secured your distinguished Twelfth Man to make the presentation. It is always heartening to see projects progressing from the seed germ of an idea to full fruition. I know how much the minibus will be appreciated by the hundreds who will use it. Many congratulations.

I too hope that you will be able to take advantage of the occasion to inaugurate the Lord's Taverners in South Africa. I send my very best wishes for that.

*Yours sincerely,
John M.*

Patrick Shervington, Esq., M.B.E.

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Gadaffi lures South Africa's top germ warfare scientists

by James Adams, Washington

A SECRET biological weapon programme set up to assassinate opponents of South Africa's apartheid regime is in danger of falling into the hands of the Libyans, according to American intelligence sources.

Efforts by Britain and America to persuade South Africa to destroy the weapons and research documents have been made more urgent by intelligence reports that Colonel Muammar Gadaffi of Libya is trying to recruit the scientists who developed them. Although production of the

weapons by South Africa has ceased, President Nelson Mandela has been unable, despite repeated requests, to persuade his military to relinquish the blueprint which now risks falling into the hands of states such as Libya. Intelligence reports that Gadaffi is trying to lure two South African scientists to Tripoli to help him develop his own biological weapons programme have provoked deep concern in Washington. The

reports have spurred the White House into sending an emissary to South Africa to try to persuade the government to take action against the military, which has run the top-secret programme for 10 years.

A sign of the concern in Washington last week was a meeting called by Leon Paretta, White House chief of staff, to discuss the issue. Tony Lake, national security adviser, and Elise Harris, a

member of the national security council with responsibility for chemical and biological weapons, are also involved in trying to get South Africa to destroy the research. According to senior administration officials and sources in the Central Intelligence Agency, the programme was used to assassinate opponents of the apartheid regime. "It was a shocking and disgusting episode," said one source. The fear is that Libya may adopt the same methods.

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and biological weapons programme was operating is simply 'incontestable', said a Pentagon official.

'With BW [biological weapons] it's not enough just to stop making the stuff... We must know that all the records have been destroyed or there is always the risk it could be started again or the knowledge sold to a willing buyer, like the Libyans.'

The biological weapons programme began in the mid-1980s as part of a secret project funded by the South African

ministry of defence. Not content with the chemical weapons that had been used in Namibia and Angola, the government wanted a new form of terror to use on the opposition, or in the event of civil war.

Biological weapons are strains of germs or viruses that are refined for delivery as sprays or in liquids and powders.

Tiny amounts can kill thousands by introducing new strains of plague, anthrax or virulent strains of common illnesses such as tuberculosis.

Both biological and chemical weapons were used as part of an extensive campaign of ass-

assination against opponents of apartheid at home and abroad.

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acute respiratory problems. Investigator revealed Chikane's suitcase and clothes had been deliberately infected with a toxin.

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know how effective it was as some of the deaths looked as if the people were simply ill with everyday sicknesses.'

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"Mandela is on the side of the angels on this one," said a foreign office official. "But there appears to be a limit as to what he can actually do."

Princeton Lyman, the American ambassador to South Africa and Sir Anthony Reeve, his British counterpart, have both been directly involved in discussions on the subject with senior South African officials.

President Bill Clinton plans to send Don Mahley, deputy assistant director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, to South Africa shortly to resolve the crisis. Mahley had planned to go earlier this month but the trip was postponed amid concerns in Washington that news might leak and embarrass Mandela.

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Dear Roderic,

South Africa CBW

We expect the Sunday Times to publish this Sunday (26 February) a story revealing that South Africa possessed a chemical and biological weapons (CBW) programme and alleging that there were political assassinations authorised by the former South African Government using BW agents produced by it.

The Sunday Times seems to have got of their story from a source in Washington and it would appear that they have the gist about right. We have been in close consultation with the Americans and Pretoria to agree a press line since we expect to receive enquiries about our role in the matter. I attach a copy of the line agreed with the Americans.

We have seen a copy of the South African Government press line. It reveals that

- they will admit the existence of the CBW programme;
- they will confirm its termination in 1993;
- they will confirm discussions with UK/US Governments;
- there is no firm evidence proving physical abuses of the programme but should evidence come to light they will investigate it;
- they are seized of the need to protect the information and personnel involved in the former programme.

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Following the High Commissioner's meeting with Mandela, we and the Americans expect to send teams to South Africa in March or April (ours led by Dr Pearson of CBDE Porton Down) to assist in the preparation of the South African declaration under the BW Convention.

Yours ever,

(R J Sawers)
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SOUTH AFRICA CBW: PRESS LINE

Q1: UK/US response to allegations for abuse of CBW agents?

- When we first learned of these allegations early last year, both the UK and US Governments immediately expressed our concerns to the former South African Government. We have also raised these concerns with the current government at the highest level (comment: the Americans have no problem if we wish to refer to Mandela by name, but they would rather not do so), and have urged it to look into the matter and take appropriate action. Both the previous and current government have engaged seriously with us on the subject. As fellow parties to the BW Convention, we are prepared to work with the SAG to prevent the proliferation of biological weapons.

Q2: Are the allegations true? Do you believe them?

- In our view it is for SAG to determine. We are not in a position to comment.

Q3: Source of allegations?

- Not our policy to comment on intelligence sources.

Q4: What contacts have you had with the South Africans?

- See question 1.

Q5: What has the South African Government done about it?

- This question should be addressed to the South Africans.

Q6: Did South African have a BW programme?

- Yes, but they assure us the programme has been terminated.

(If pressed) - We have no evidence which contradicts the SAG's assurance.

Q7: Are there any differences between the UK and US?

- No. We have worked closely with the US, and are continuing to do so.

Q8: What about the individuals named by the Sunday Times as key figures? Are they guilty of crimes against humanity etc?

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- It is for the South African Government to investigate and decide.

Q9: UK/US colluded in cover-up of existence of programme/knowledge of abuse?

- Absolutely not. We brought allegations to the attention of the SAG. We have also discussed with SAG how to control the proliferation risks arising from the former programme.

Q10: The Libyan connection?

- We have impressed on the South African Government the importance of working with us and others to stem the proliferation of BW. We expect that the SAG will do everything possible in that regard.

Q11: Are they South Africans in violation of the BW Convention?

- We do not believe South Africa has a BW programme.

Q12: Have the South Africans ever breached the BW Convention?

- We are not in a position to comment (US); we have urged the SAG to submit a full and frank declaration of its programme under the BWC (UK).

Q13: (If raised) UK/US assistance to South Africa in preparing its BWC declaration?

- As fellow parties to the BW Convention we are prepared to advise South Africa on how to prepare their declaration of activity under the Convention.

Q14: (If raised) Have the UK/US Governments had any contact with any of the individuals named in the Sunday Times article?

- We are not prepared to comment on the details of our discussions with the SAG.

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YOUR TELNOS 156-157 AND TELECONS DOWSE/PATTISON

SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA CBW

SUMMARY

1. Further discussion of press line with State and NSC. Two major difficulties: over reference to Mandela and on whether to offer substantive comment on existence of past South African CBW programme. Both points resolved following contacts with FCO.

DETAIL

2. We discussed the text in second TUR with State (Van Diepen and Mozena) on 24 February. The Americans confirmed at the outset their agreement that, provided there was no daylight between the substance of the US and UK press lines, the exact wording did not have to be identical.

3. Subject to that, State had two particular problems:

(a) Question 1

NSC were adamant that they could not accept any reference - even obliquely - to the fact that we had raised our concerns with Mandela. Harris and Steinberg (Senior Director for Africa) argued that we risked undermining Mandela by dragging his name into the affair. We pointed out that Mandela's involvement was unlikely to remain a secret for long. The Americans were unmoved: if Mandela's role was to be disclosed, it should be by the South Africans themselves. After

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discussion with NPD, we therefore agreed to drop the words "and President Mandela" from the second sentence of the answer.

(b) Question 6/7

State argued that any confirmation of a South African BW programme would be interpreted by a lay reader as meaning an offensive programme, which was something the US did not want to imply. Equally, however, the Administration could not agree to describe the programme as defensive: this point was still under discussion. The NSC (Harris) repeated these arguments more forcefully, and were also unhappy with the idea that the UK might offer an answer while the US declined to comment.

We understand (telecon under ref) that Harris subsequently repeated her arguments direct to NPD. We have confirmed with Harris her agreement to an answer reading: "The SAG have said that they had a defensive programme in the past, which was terminated". (Our additional sentence for use if pressed should be dropped).

5. Other more minor US comments on line in your telno 157:

- the question "What has the SAG done about it?" (Q5 in my telno 517) appears to have been missed out.

- Q10: the Americans would rather not suggest that there might be proliferation risks arising specifically from the South African CBW programme. They prefer: "Absolutely not. We brought allegations to the attention of SAG. We have discussed with SAG how to control the proliferation of CBW".

- Q12: The US line will include a further question: "Are (are) the South Africans in violation of the BWC?" Answer: "We do not believe South Africa is in violation of the BWC". Up to us if we wish to include this in our text.

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YOUR TELNOS 516-517
SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA CBW: PRESS LINE

SUMMARY

1. New press line agreed. Slight UK variations but not substantive differences. We share reservations about asking SAG to make a pre-emptive statement.

DETAIL

2. We are pleased that the new press line has moved close to our original. We are content to accept it noting that our text will vary slightly but not substantively from the US version. We assume that there is no substantial difficulty in Pretoria - a copy of our final version, as in MIFT, should be passed to the South African authorities.

3. For the reasons that State give and the fact that a pre-emptive statement would not address all the revelations in the article but merely shift the focus more quickly onto details we may not welcome, we prefer not to ask the SAG to pre-empt the article.

4. The variations in the UK version of the press line relate to questions 1, 2, 6, 9 and 13.

- Q1 We will not use the last two sentences as these are covered elsewhere. Tactically we prefer not to volunteer them in the first answer.

- Q2 We recognise the US Congressional difficulty over a SAG determination of whether the allegations are true. We do not have the same difficulty and will therefore stick to the UK wording given in our tel 154.

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- Q6 We are surprised that NSC are unclear about the 1993 South African CBM declaration. It categorically states that the South Africans had a defensive R and D BW programme. We also understand that if the SAG (Knobel) are asked they will confirm a past defensive R and D BW programme and may well add that they told UK/US about it. In the circumstances we cannot see how we could avoid confirming this. We strongly prefer to stick to the line in our answer.
- Q9 The shortening of this answer may muddle an important distinction in the UK line. In the US version allegations could refer to both abuses and evidence that a programme existed. We prefer to keep these two separate. The point is not so important but for clarity we would like to use our wording.
- Q13 We share your misgivings about being prepared to assist any BWC state party prepare their CBM declaration. Our line will omit that reference.

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Your Telnos 156 and 157 to Washington

SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA CBW: PRESS LINE

1. I am content with the final press line set out in second tur. It gives due credit to the previous and current Governments, and helpfully emphasises our co-operative approach to the issues. Mandela and Mbeki have been informed in general terms of our proposed line (on the basis of earlier drafts) and have raised no objection.

2. The SAG appears not yet to have taken a final decision on the format of their own press statement. Nor is it clear who will respond to press questions. However, Mandela, Mbeki and de Klerk have been involved in shaping the basic press line, and it is quite likely that one or more of them may comment, depending what the Sunday Times article actually says.

3. The main elements of the (redrafted) SAG press line, as given to us today, are as follows:

- admit to a previous defensive chemical and biological weapons programme
- confirm defensive biological weapons programme was terminated by previous administration in January 1993
- confirm RSA is a party to and has signed the appropriate Chemical (CW) and Biological (BW) Weapons Conventions
- confirm that a process of ratification is in progress
- confirm that the RSA will observe our CW and BW obligations under the Convention

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- confirm that both the previous and present administrations have had discussions with the US and UK Governments on this issue
- confirm that South Africa is clearly focused and committed to the implementation of and adherence to appropriate conventions as well as the principle of non-proliferation
- confirm that we have no conclusive evidence of physical abuse arising out of the CBW programme, but that various alleged financial irregularities are being investigated
- confirm that the GNU will investigate any substantive information or indications of alleged abuse should it be brought to the attention of the authorities
- deny any knowledge of an adverse approach by the Libyan Government to key figures in our past CBW programme
- if specifically asked, admit that we are aware that an ex-official of the CBW programme has visited Libya with the intent to broker a legitimate business deal on behalf of business interests in South Africa.

4. The South African Sunday Times has picked up the scent and has asked the Surgeon General (Knobel) for a briefing. He will give this, on the record, tomorrow. It is likely to be confined to the admission of the existence of a defensive CBW programme, now dismantled. Knobel's statement will not, however, be intended as a pre-emptive statement in the terms floated by Poneman (para 6 of first tur), and we understand that no such statement is to be made by the SAG.

5. We should be in a position to hand over our text to the South African authorities in the course of 25 February.

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From the Private Secretary

22 February 1995

Dear Maddie,

TRADE PROMOTION IN SOUTH AFRICA

Thank you for your letter of 21 February.

I am sure that the Prime Minister would be content for a short extract from his speech, plus the No.10 logo, to be printed in the border of the commemorative print that you are producing. I suggest, however, that his signature should appear below the text, rather than (as implied in your letter) above it.

Please go ahead on the basis that you propose.

Yours ever,

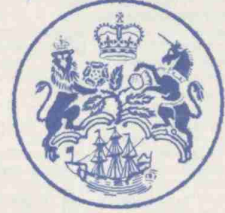
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Edward Oakden Esq
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21 February 1995

Dear Edward,

You will be aware that South Africa is currently the focus of a major push across Whitehall and that as part of the campaign the DTI is to stage a number of trade promotion events aboard the Royal Yacht in Cape Town at the end of March. The Minister for Trade will participate.

It is intended that each of the South African participants will be presented with a print of the Royal Yacht set against the background of Table Mountain. The concept has received the approval of the Master of the Household. However, in order to enhance the quality of the gift we would like authority to incorporate on the border of the print, under the No 10 logo and the Prime Minister's signature, the text of a short extract from a speech made by the Prime Minister to the South African parliament last September. The text we wish to use is the following:

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'I want to form a fellowship between Britain and South Africa, a fellowship for the future, a fellowship for reconstruction. Through business, through investment, through development assistance we wish to support South Africa's reconstruction and development programme.'

I should be grateful for your authority to incorporate the above text on the border of the print.

Yours,
Maddie.

MADDIE JOHNSON
Assistant Private Secretary

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20th February 1995

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The Rt Hon John Major MP
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Dear Prime Minister,

Following your very successful visit to South Africa last September, you will be pleased to hear that the Lord's Taverners New Horizons minibus that you announced, is to be presented to Clive van Ryneveld at Langa, outside Cape Town on Tuesday 21st March. Our Patron and Twelfth Man, His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, has accepted Sir Colin Cowdrey's invitation to make the actual presentation. The details are being co-ordinated by the High Commission in Cape Town.

I hope to be there and it may be possible to use the occasion formally to inaugurate the Lord's Taverners, South Africa. Brian Baldock is visiting South Africa the following week on Guinness (and Taverners!) business. We are seeing Dr Ali Bacher who has agreed to be the first Chairman.

We are enormously grateful for all your 'John the Baptist' support and encouragement.

Yours sincerely

Patrick

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14 February 1995

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Dear *✓* Edward,

PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA: REPORT ON FOLLOW-UP ACTION

I have seen a copy of Sam Sharpe's letter of 25 January to you describing how the Foreign and Commonwealth Office are pursuing the initiatives promoted by the Prime Minister during his visit.

For the sake of completeness, I should record that Mr Maclean will be visiting Johannesburg and Pretoria between 22-24 February.

As Home Office Minister with responsibility for export promotion, Mr Maclean will be attending the SECUREX 95 Conference, which will provide a good opportunity to promote British exports of police and security equipment.

I am sending copies of this letter to Sam Sharpe (FCO), Mark Gibson (DTI), Margaret Aldred (MOD), John Kingman (DNH), John Buck (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster's Office) and to Ian McKendry (ODA).

Yours ever,

Suzanne C. Gooch.

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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA: UK PROFILE ENHANCED IN JANUARY

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Summary

1. January sees raising of UK's profile in South Africa. Projects announced by high level visitors last year get underway. Launch of 'Britain Means Business' campaign. First trainees of Soweto Skills Initiative (SSI) leave for UK. First course under UK-South Africa Sports Initiative begins. DTI/South African MTI establish Working Group to follow up Prime Minister's business initiative. Our reputation for delivering what we promise greatly enhanced, but the momentum must be maintained, especially over the SSI.

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Detail

2. Bombarded by announcements of planned visits to South Africa by foreign dignitaries and business groups, the media and our contacts at large have been impressed by the speed with which commitments made by the Prime Minister and the President of the Board of Trade in the second half of last year have been put into effect.

3. The launch of the 'Britain Means Business' campaign at a press conference on 24 January received widespread publicity with prominent press articles (copies to the Department by bag) and air time on TV and radio. Emphasis was given to the continuity of our effort and the message that we are running a systematic campaign to convert last year's strategic discussions into action at business level. There was gratification that we were targetting RDP priorities in Opportunities Cape Town/Johannesburg.

4. No publicity, but considerable importance by officials was attached to discussions between the Deputy Director-General at the South African Ministry of Trade and Industry and Sanders, visiting from XAAA Division, DTI, which set up a mechanism for Ministry to Ministry exchanges of expertise and carrying forward the proposals for business cooperation raised at the Prime Minister's Round Table last September. The first formal session of a new working group takes place in early March.

5. Public note was taken of our success in bringing the Soweto Skills Initiative to fruition. The SSI has moved quickly to place promising young business people on attachments to UK companies. Six candidates have already been allocated and the first four left for Britain on 21 January. A total of forty places for 1995 have been offered and the selection process continues. Despite early successes, however, there are pitfalls and the future of the Scheme will depend on the UK companies involved maintaining their original commitments.

6. The Prime Minister's initiative now under the banner 'UK-South Africa Sports Initiative', got underway on 28 January. A two week course, which will produce 20 community level athletics coaches, was launched in Johannesburg with the help of Sally Gunnell. BBC TV covered the event. Dates have been confirmed for a further, more advanced, athletics course, and for courses in soccer coaching and training sports administrators.

Comment

7. The current perception of the UK was encapsulated by The Director-General in the South African Sports Ministry, speaking at the launch of the athletics course: South Africa had many important visitors; President Mandela met many world leaders on his overseas visits; everyone made promises; little emerged. "But the Brits deliver." The President of the Greater Soweto Chamber of Commerce and Industry spoke in similar terms.

8. Our bringing to fruition three significant initiatives within six months of their first being discussed has demonstrated our commitment to assisting the New South Africa. We are established as serious people. We mean business. We deliver. Our competitors will be measured against this yardstick, but in our future actions, so will we.

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From the Private Secretary

27 January 1995

Thank you for your letter of 24 January.

We had been following this episode closely and with some concern, and were delighted to hear that the misunderstandings you mention had been cleared up. It was helpful of you to keep us in touch.

RODERIC LYNE

His Excellency Mr. Mendi Msimang

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25 January 1995

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Dear Edward,

Prime Minister's Visit to South Africa:
Report on Follow-Up Action

The Prime Minister's personal minute of 3 October to the Foreign Secretary set out the way ahead on relations with South Africa. You may like to have a note on how we are pursuing the initiatives promoted by the Prime Minister during his visit.

Visits

The next major event will be The Queen's State Visit on 20-25 March. The Foreign Secretary will accompany The Queen. A schedule has also been agreed for visits in 1995, by the Defence Secretary, the Transport Secretary, the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, the Minister of Agriculture, the Minister of Trade and the Minister for Overseas Development.

Visit by President Mandela

A return State Visit by President Mandela is now scheduled for 1996. The plan is for The Queen formally to invite President Mandela when She is in South Africa. President Mandela, along with other Heads of Government, has been invited for the VE Day celebrations in May, but he is likely to be represented by Mbeki or de Klerk.

Trade and Investment

Plans for Opportunity South Africa are well advanced. The 1995 'Britain Means Business' campaign will start in Cape Town immediately following the Royal Visit with a seminar aboard the Royal Yacht to show Britain's commitment to South Africa's Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP). Later in the year, there will be an all-British exhibition in Johannesburg which will focus mainly on trade but will cover other areas such as culture, design/innovation, sport and technical assistance.

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DTI Ministers will be attending these events. There will also be a trade promotion element to the visits by the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, the Secretary of State for Transport and the Minister for Agriculture.

The Soweto Skills Initiative announced by Mr Heseltine in July is moving on apace. The first half-dozen or so Sowetans are due to start their training in the UK before the end of January. We are awaiting a response from the South African Department of Trade and Industry to our proposals for a programme of technical exchange. The President of the Board of Trade has written to Trevor Manuel (South African Minister concerned with Trade and Industry) to pursue these initiatives.

The South African Chamber of Business is keen that a memorandum of understanding be signed with the CBI at a major investment seminar. Plans for such a seminar in the UK await South African proposals for a senior VIP to lead their investment team.

A further meeting of the business-to-business round table which the Prime Minister opened in September may take place in March to review progress on the various issues.

Defence Sales

Our defence procurement relationship with South Africa continues to grow, with companies beginning to form collaborative agreements based around their respective strengths. An example is the agreement between a South African company and Alvis for Alvis to license, build and market a South African-designed mine-proof vehicle.

The main direct sales prospect is Yarrow's bid to supply corvettes (worth about £250m) to the South African Navy (SAN). Yarrow have made the final short-list (with Bazan of Spain), but the Spanish bid may be over 40% below our own. SAN representatives have recently been in UK advising Yarrow on how to refine their bid. Apart from price, the SAN is attaching great importance to the overall offset package. DESO is working closely with DTI, FCO and Yarrow to highlight the overall scale of UK investment in South Africa, which dwarfs that of any of Yarrow's competitors. The South Africans had hoped to link the sale of their Rooivalk attack helicopter to any purchase of corvettes.

Science and Technology

The Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster will lead a mission covering research, scientific and technological sectors from 26 February to 2 March. This will include the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on scientific

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co-operation, for which the Prime Minister initialled a letter of intent in Cape Town. The President of the Royal Society will visit later to take forward the setting up of scientific links.

Parliamentary links

A group of twelve South African Parliamentarians visited Britain as guests of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association in December. The Westminster Foundation for Democracy has also expressed interest in working with South Africa. Madam Speaker will visit South Africa in August, and we hope that the South African Speaker will come here this year. Lady Chalker is meeting members of the newly formed British/South African and British/Southern African Parliamentary Groups on 19 January to discuss future co-operation.

Aid

We have received a request from the Reconstruction and Development Programme office for a project to strengthen the capacity of all the provincial RDP units. This will be the first substantive involvement of an international donor with the RDP office. We are continuing to support the Police Basic Level Training programme, and are developing proposals to assist a number of provinces with implementing community policing programmes.

We are developing projects to support local government following a visit here by the Ministers responsible for Local Government in November. In particular, we will be providing technical help to the Local Government Election Task Group.

Sport

We have earmarked £148,000 for the Prime Minister's Sports initiative in this financial year. Proposals have been agreed for a programme covering football, athletics and the training of trainers. A pavilion is being built in Alexandra with money raised by Ali Bacher during the Prime Minister's visit to South Africa. We have sponsored a feasibility study for a VSO community sports development programme and will now be working up a pilot project for six VSO community Sports Development Officers.

Discussion with the local sports authorities has shown that the proposal originally suggested by Mrs Judy Simpson for the construction of an athletics track at Alexandra was not viable: we are, therefore, looking for alternative proposals in other townships for Mrs Simpson and British commercial sponsors to support.

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British Council

We aim to involve the British Council fully in our efforts. They are already engaged in the Sports Initiative programme. They will also be closely involved in Mr Hunt's visit and that of the President of the Royal Society, and in the programme of scientific links which will emerge from those visits.

MOD Visits

A successful visit by HMS Norfolk to Simonstown in April 1994 has been followed by a series of visits by senior MOD figures since the South African elections - the Chief of the Naval Staff in October, the Chief of the Defence Staff in January. Visits by the Chief of the Air Staff and the Secretary of State for Defence are planned for February and April. Further visits will be spread over the next 12 months.

Military assistance

The BMATT have now established themselves in an influential position. They have access to, and the confidence of, the Defence Minister, Joe Modise, and the senior hierarchy of the National Defence Force. They have earned the respect of all the parties involved in the integration process, and are now beginning to shift their focus from initial induction to training. The process will take longer than the South Africans had hoped, and we may need to be prepared to continue the commitment for some time.

Other areas

We are looking at strengthening co-operation with South Africa in drugs control. Three officers of the South African Police Narcotics Bureau will visit Britain this month and a British Customs and Excise fact-finding mission to South Africa will take place later in the year. We are looking at the possibility of posting a Drugs Liaison Officer to Pretoria.

On the environment, we plan to hold a high-level visit to South Africa in April or May. The Secretary of State for the Environment has invited his South African equivalent to the informal conference on the environment to take place in London this year.

Foreign policy dialogue

Following the visit in November by Deputy Foreign Minister Pahad for talks on international issues, a regular programme of policy dialogue with the South Africans has

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been instituted. There are plans for further Ministerial and official level talks later this year.

I am sending copies of this letter to Mark Gibson (DTI), Margaret Aldred (MOD), Joan MacNaughton (Home Office), John Kingman (Department of National Heritage), John Buck (Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster's Office) and to Ian McKendry (ODA).

Yours ever,

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24 January 1995

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The Rt Hon John Major, MP
The Prime Minister
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Dear Mr. Major,

The recent discussions in South Africa between President Mandela and Deputy President de Klerk received wide coverage in the press in the United Kingdom, and rightly so. The Government of National Unity (GNU) in South Africa is a transparent institution and should be seen as such by our partners and friends throughout the world. I feel that it is therefore appropriate to furnish you with the joint statement which followed the resolution of the above situation and which is in itself a transparent indication of South Africa's progress:

"Our discussion succeeded in clearing up the misunderstandings with regard to all the specific relevant issues and in re-establishing mutual trust and confidence. In the spirit of serving the best interests of the country as a whole we have agreed to make a fresh start which will help us to avoid a repetition of the situation that arose earlier this week in the cabinet.

Our discussion was frank and we dealt in some detail with all the issues which caused the recent confrontation between us. We recognise that for the GNU to achieve its goals of nationbuilding and reconciliation there should be a co-operative relationship specifically between us and within the Cabinet in general, based on mutual recognition of each other's integrity and good faith. We also agreed that the current discussion in the cabinet about the functioning of the government of national unity should be pursued with urgency.

Special attention should be given to procedure and developing conventions concerning the rights and duties of parties within the government of national unity. While each of us maintains our respective positions on the implications of the applications which were lodged by some 3500 members of the police and a few others, we agreed it is extremely important not to allow our differences to negatively impact on the people involved."

Yours sincerely

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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA: NATIONAL PARTY: DE KLERK THREATENS TO
 RECONSIDER HIS ROLE IN GOVERNMENT

SUMMARY

Nil

1. In a tough speech to his National Congress, de Klerk threatens to "consider" his party's participation in the Government of National Unity (GNU). Demands an ANC apology for "unjust" attacks on the NP in this week's Cabinet and reform of Cabinet decision making procedures. de Klerk and Mandela will meet today, 20 January. Unlikely that the NP intend more than a hard-hitting, public warning at what they perceive to be cavalier treatment by the ANC.

DETAIL

Substantiated by today's reconciliation. But they can't play this card too often. TCM/L.

2. The leader of the National Party (NP), F W de Klerk, opened his party's National Congress last night, 19 January, with a tough, frank, speech largely concerned with a threat to reconsider the NP's position in the GNU. de Klerk said that at first glance, "the crisis" appeared to concern indemnity (see Wood's teletype of 20 January - not to all). In reality, however, it went much, much deeper. There was now "a serious question mark over continued good cooperation" within the GNU.

3. de Klerk began by saying that the GNU was the key to success in South Africa's complex, conflict-ridden, society. It represented more than a temporary relationship between rival political parties. It embodied a commitment to the long-term national good. The growing confidence in the country's future, both at home and abroad, owed much to the effective functioning of the GNU. The NP had shown itself moderate and controlled in its handling of the ANC in the GNU. They had accepted many "painful compromises" and had

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endured sharp criticism and even a temporary loss of support as a result. The ANC had also striven to make the GNU work. They too had accepted painful decisions. This spirit was now in danger. The ANC had become over-sensitive to criticism, impatient and prone to a "bully attitude". They apparently expected the NP to become an ANC "surrogate" which fell into line whenever they cracked the whip. It was against this background that matters had reached a head in Cabinet on 18 January. Debate on the indemnity issue was already heated. This was followed by a "more comprehensive, sharp and severely insulting attack" on the NP's attitude to the Reconstruction and Development Programme (RDP), affirmative action and, more generally, the Party's good faith. de Klerk said this had obliged him to inform Cabinet that he would "consider" his position. In this he enjoyed the full support of NP ministerial colleagues.

4. de Klerk concluded this part of his speech with a statement on the way forward. He said the NP was still prepared to serve the interests of its supporters and all other South Africans by constructive cooperation in the GNU. To ensure this, however, the ANC leadership would have to "remedy", immediately, the attack on NP integrity and good faith. Finally, the rights and privileges of members of the GNU would have to be placed on a firmer foundation. Cabinet needed to develop and supplement existing conventions in order to prevent a repeat of this crisis. de Klerk and President Mandela are due to meet today to discuss the issue. de Klerk said that he hoped this would create the necessary conditions for a fresh start. If the reaction was negative, however, the NP would be obliged to consider "all available options".

COMMENT

5. de Klerk is on the horns of a dilemma. He would be in a weaker position outside the GNU. At the same time, his party faithful claim to see few results from the NP's participation. The present Cabinet row with the ANC is well timed for de Klerk coinciding with the start of his Party Conference - where he might otherwise have been more on the defensive. It suggests there is an element of posturing in his approach. The power-sharing principle was one of the main planks of the NP's negotiating agenda. de Klerk's role in the GNU gives the NP much-needed political exposure and, most importantly, real influence on government policy, behind the scenes. de Klerk and Mandela seem likely to patch up their differences. It is in their mutual interest, apart from that of

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the country, that they should do so. But it is inevitable that such tensions will re-surface periodically in so disparate an administration.

6. The text of the first part of de Klerk's speech follows by fax to AD(S). An assessment of the more general party political issues covered by the congress will follow on its conclusion.

7. Please advance to PS No 10 (telecon AD(S)).

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17 January 1995

Dear Edward,

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Thank you for your letter of 5 January enclosing one from Councillor Singh of the Association of District Councils to the Prime Minister about the planned conference on local government in South Africa.

Lady Chalker's address to the conference will offer the opportunity to set out to a wide local authority audience both our strategy and experiences in the field of local and provincial government in South Africa, and to actively encourage their participation in our projects and programmes. In doing so it will be helpful for Lady Chalker to be able to refer to the Prime Minister's interest in the matter but I do not consider that we need do anything more formal. Your acknowledgement letter to Councillor Singh seems to fit the bill well and I would not propose any further action.

Copies of this letter go to Sam Sharpe and to Alan Davis.

Ian McKendry
Private Secretary/Baroness Chalker of Wallasey

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the only recipient?*

10 January 1995

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taking account of Mary's
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RE : SOUTH AFRICAN REUNION

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*Yours sincerely
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From the Private Secretary

9 January 1995

Dear Ms Singh,

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA

Thank you for your letter of 4 January bringing the Prime Minister up-to-date with your plans to hold a Conference on local government in South Africa on 3 March. The Prime Minister is delighted that Lady Chalker is able to address this, and sends you every best wish for the event.

Thank you also for your support for the Conference which the Government plans to hold on the 75th anniversary of Chatham House. We see this as an important subject.

Yours sincerely,

Edward Oakden

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Councillor Margaret Singh



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From the Private Secretary

5 January 1995

**ADC CONFERENCE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN
SOUTH AFRICA**

I enclose a letter which the Prime Minister has received from the Chair of the Association of District Councils, about the Conference which the ADC plan to hold on 3 March about local government in South Africa. Councillor Singh reports that Lady Chalker has agreed to address the Conference.

I should be grateful for your advice on whether it would be helpful for the Government to offer additional support to this event. For instance, might the Prime Minister send a message, which Lady Chalker could deliver? If you think that this would be helpful, I should be grateful for a draft. Meanwhile I have acknowledged Councillor Singh's letter (copy enclosed). //

I am copying this letter to Sam Sharpe (Foreign and Commonwealth Office) and to Alan Davis (Department of the Environment).

EDWARD OAKDEN

Ian McKendry, Esq.,
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From **COUNCILLOR MARGARET SINGH, CHAIR OF THE ADC**

IE/05/RC/ME 4 January 1995

The Rt Hon John Major Esq MP
The Prime Minister
10 Downing Street
London SW1A 2AA

Dear Prime Minister

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA

When we met in November you expressed interest in my hope that local government would be able to contribute constructively to the UK's support to the emergence of a democratic South Africa. I thought I would therefore let you know of the progress we have been able to make towards a Conference on 3 March aimed at bringing together high level relevant South African participants with those within local government in the UK who are interested in being able to contribute to cooperative partnerships.

I am delighted that Baroness Chalker has agreed to address the Conference and we look forward very much to working closely with the Overseas Development Administration and the British Council.

We will be seeking to work alongside appropriate private sector participants and hope that they may also be able to contribute to sponsorship towards the costs of the event.

You may find it useful to be kept in touch with these developments and I would be pleased if you would encourage any one else with whom you are in contact on these issues to contact me if they are interested in further involvement or participation.

Can I also say how interested I am in the Conference you propose this year to highlight the UK's strengths in the context of the 75th anniversary of Chatham House. The long tradition of

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democratic, efficient and honest local government in the UK is widely recognised as one such strength and we would be enthusiastic to contribute in an appropriate way to the event. Roger Chater, Deputy Secretary of the Association, will be pleased to liaise with the appropriate department.

Yours sincerely

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THE PRIME MINISTER

21 December 1994

Dear Kent,

Thank you for your letter informing me that you are about to leave your post as High Commissioner for South Africa.

I would like to thank you for your work as South Africa's representative here over an eventful and ultimately very rewarding period in bilateral relations. You have had the rare and welcome distinction of arriving in your post as an Ambassador and leaving it as a High Commissioner!

I was particularly grateful to you for your contribution to my visit to South Africa earlier this year. I know that you personally put a lot of effort into making it such a success.

I am glad that you intend to remain in this country where you will still be able to make a valuable contribution to British-South African relations. I wish you every success in your new career here.

*Yours sincerely,
John Major*

His Excellency Mr Kent D S Durr

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Foreign & Commonwealth Office

13 December 1994

London SW1A 2AH

Dear Philippa,

KENT DURR

Thank you for your letter of 7 December asking for background to Mr Durr's departure and for advice on whether the Prime Minister should see him.

Although we knew that President Mandela would want to put one of his own men in London, we did not expect the move to be quite so sudden. Mr Mandela told the Deputy High Commissioner on 18 November that, along with 17 other top Heads of Mission, he wished to replace Mr Durr on 1 January with Mr Mendi Msimang, the former ANC representative in London. I enclose a biographical note on Mr Msimang. The Queen has approved the appointment and Agrément has been granted. Mr Durr has since been given an extension until 15 January.

Lady Chalker will be hosting a farewell lunch on 4 January. Unless he wishes to do so, we do not think it necessary for the Prime Minister to see Mr Durr.

PLJ

I agree, but could you do a nice letter from PM to KD, and perhaps remember him for a future General Reception..

Ms Philippa Leslie-Jones
10 Downing Street

Yours ever,

Sam

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Private Secretary

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Mendi Meinrad Themba Boy MSIMANG

South African High Commissioner-designate to the United Kingdom.

Born in Johannesburg, South Africa, in 1928.

Mr Msimang is well known to us, having twice served here as the ANC's representative to the UK and Ireland. He was educated at the Anglican Mission School in Natal and at University in Lesotho. After working as Personal Secretary to the then ANC Secretary General, Walter Sisulu, he joined Nelson Mandela's law practice. When he was compelled to leave South Africa in 1960 during the state of emergency, he first came to London as ANC representative. He subsequently worked for the ANC in East Africa where he was closely involved with education for ANC students. He was re-assigned to London in 1988 where he remained until returning to South Africa to take part in this year's elections when he was elected to the National Assembly.

In June 1991, Mr Msimang was elected to the National Executive Committee of the ANC and he organised the first major ANC International Solidarity Conference held within South Africa from 19-21 February 1993.

He was a dignified and respected ANC representative here. His hobbies include football, golf, music, reading and the theatre.

He is married to Dr Mantombazana Tshabalala, with four children by his first marriage.

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From the Private Secretary

7 December 1994

KENT DURR

I enclose a letter to the Prime Minister from the South African High Commissioner, Kent Durr, about his imminent departure from his current post.

We were not aware that Mr. Durr was about to leave. When does he actually stand down? He gives no reason for his departure - is there more to this than meets the eye? I should be grateful for a little background, plus advice on whether the Prime Minister might offer to see Durr for a farewell call (this would have to be in the New Year, given the overcrowded nature of the Prime Minister's diary up till Christmas).

PHILIPPA LESLIE-JONES

S.J. Sharpe, Esq.,
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December 1994

Dear Prime Minister

Just a note on my plans for the future when my term ends.

For personal and private reasons relating primarily to the education and health of my children, is it essential that we are based in London, travelling to South Africa from time to time.

I will be returning to private and business life and will be taking on the Chairmanship of a leading international company. In addition, I will seek to add directorships where I feel I can make a contribution.

I have felt privileged to have served here in these challenging transitional years and to have helped to take the relations between Britain and South Africa to an all-time high since the war years.

Now I am going to build yet another career whilst tending to the vital interests of my family.

We will be keeping our houses in the Cape for our retirement one day and will be returning for holidays regularly.

I will keep you informed.

Please keep in touch.

KENT DURR
HIGH COMMISSIONER

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