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Dear Mendi,

It was a pleasure meeting you today after such a seemingly long time and Sharon also sends her regards.

As we discussed, I am representing a major new organisation called the Organisation of Africans in Europe, which is shortly to be launched in Europe. Our aim is to bring together black citizens of Europe both for our own mutual support, and to provide a voice for Africa in Europe.

We are especially concerned about at the way in which countries in the South are being treated by northern countries in the context of the "NEW WORLD ORDER", which has meant that the economic failings of these northern countries are being paid for by the countries in the South in more ways than one. Our organisation aims to rally as much support as possible for countries in the South, especially those in Africa.

The organisation is preparing to hold a major rally in Britain, the theme of which will be The Third World & the New World Order. The Rally will highlight the particular situation of Libya, Cuba and North Korea as well as the Palestinian struggle, the struggle of African people in the USA and Europe and other struggles around the world. It is expected that the rally will get massive support from progressive people in Britain and we intend to have a wide range of speakers from the countries concerned as well as the USA, Britain etc. Preliminary soundings have already been made and the response has been very favourable.

We would like to draw the widest possible audience and to this end we would like to ask the ANC whether its President, Brother Nelson Mandela would be available to address the Rally as our keynote speaker. We believe that his presence would be the very catalyst we need to ensure that our organisation and people in



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the UK start this vital support role for countries in the South.

We were thinking of holding the rally in August/September but would leave the exact timing to yourselves based on the availability of Bro Mandela. We are aware of the intensity of your efforts at this time and understand how busy you are. We believe however that such exposure as this rally would bring could only assist your cause which is ultimately ours.

We eagerly await your response and please rest assured that all of Bro Mandela's expenses would be catered for.

Dear Wendi,

It was a pleasure meeting you today after such a seemingly long absence. My wife sends her regards.

Yours in solidarity,

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