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Mr. Hoosen Coovadia,
P.O.Box 270,
Johannesburg.

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXDirector

7th February 1946.

Dear Mr. Coovadia,

I am sorry that the pressure of my engagements in Cape Town made it impossible for me to deal with your letter of the 15th January before I left for a short holiday. I hope you have received the reply of our Cape Town office to your wire enquiring if I had received your letter.

I have now written to Mr. Maurice Webb, who was until recently President of the Institute of Race Relations, and who is now in Europe, asking him to do all he can to help you to secure admission to a Medical school in Britain. By asking him to deal with your case I hope to save any delay on the other side as he will be able to give information on the difficulties in South Africa.

I will let you know as soon as I hear anything definite in reply.

Yours sincerely,

Director

P.O.Box 97, Johannesburg.
7th February 1946.

Mr. Maurice Webb,
c/o Friend's House,
Euston Rd. London W.C.1.

Dear Maurice,

Admission Hoosen Coovadia to a British Medical School.

I have been asked by Mr. E.S.Coovadia, a prominent Indian merchant in Johannesburg, who is a supporter of the Institute of Race Relations, and of the Indian Social Welfare Association, to assist his son, Hoosen, to secure admission to a Medical School in Britain. As you know, Indian Medical students at Witwatersrand and Cape Town medical schools are very unhappy because of the racial difficulties which exist notwithstanding the liberal attitude of the University authorities. In addition there are two great difficulties. The first is that the quota system made necessary by the huge demands of all racial groups upon the teaching accommodation available keeps out many possible students of all races from the Medical Schools. The second difficulty is that Indian medical students find it almost impossible to secure appointments as House Surgeons after they have qualified, and recently some have had to go out without this experience, although the Medical Council is considering the making of a rule that the diploma will not be granted until graduates have done a period as House Surgeons.

In these circumstances I sympathise with Mr. Coovadia's desire that his son should obtain his training at a British Medical School. He is anxious that this should be in London where he has a relative who would take Hoosen into his home and look after him. The following Medical Schools have been mentioned by Mr. Coovadia:- The London Hospital, King's College Hospital, Guy's Hospital and Charing Cross Hospital.

I shall be grateful if you will place this matter in the hands of someone or some organisation that will be able to secure the admission of Hoosen Coovadia into a Medical School in Britain. It is possible that the Aborigines Protection Society undertake services of this kind. In any case you will be able to make your personal knowledge of the Indian situation in South Africa available, and it is for this reason that I venture to trouble you in the matter.

It will probably be useful if I supply the following information in regard to Hoosen's marks in the Matriculation Examination:-

English Higher Grade:	C.	
Afrikaans Lower Grade:	C.	
Biology:	C.	C is from 50-59%
Physical Science:	B.	B is from 60-74%
Mathematics:	B.	
Bookkeeping:	B.	
Aggregate:	CB.	

You will of course understand that he is anxious to secure admission in October 1946. He is now 19 years old, and his father's address is P.O.Box 270, Johannesburg.

I trust that I have given you one high information to enable the new with his new equipment to be set on foot, and I shall be glad to do anything that is necessary

HOUSEN COOVADIA

JOHANNESBURG INDIAN SCHOOL
19 YEARS (IN MARCH 1946)

BOX 270 -
JOHANNESBURG
OR
46 MARKET STREET.

Requests to be sent to me.

The London Hospital Medical College,
Turner Street,
London.

King's College Hospital Medical School
Denmark Hill
London S.E. 5.

Guy's Hospital Medical School,
London Bridge,
London S.E. 1

Charing Cross Hospital Medical School
London.

18, Ferreira street,
Johannesburg.

15th January, 1946.

Dear Mr Jones,

The following are the symbols
that I have obtained in the recent matriculation
examination:

English Higher Grade	: C	(C = from 50-59)
Afrikaans Lower Grade	: C	(B = " 60-74)
Biology	: C	
Physical Science	: B	
Mathematics	: B	
Bookkeeping	: B.	
Afrikaansi	: C ₆ .	

I would like you to know how
much I am depending on you, sir. Frankly,
there is no other choice; and I am grateful
for I ^{am} confident that whatever you do will
be your best.

However I would like you to
inform the universities, that I am fully
prepared to make up to their demands. If,
for instance there is a subject which I have not
done, and which is compulsory according to their

rules, I am prepared to take and complete it up to their required standard. Hence, I would appreciate it if you would ask for an early answer, since the universities ^{will} only begin their first term in October. Give me a chance to complete whatever extra studies that are necessary.

I may add that these are difficult times, and therefore I thank you very much for whatever service you ^{may} be of ^{to me} ~~my~~ interest, for I can understand and realise what that means. I only hope that you be successful in obtaining this chance which means so much to me. My prayers are with your efforts.

Thanking you once again, I remain

I remain,
 Yours sincerely,
 Boosen Booradia.

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Senator J.D. Rheinalt-Jones,
P.O. Box 1998,
CAPE TOWN.

done

Dear Sir,

The writer of this letter who is the Manager of the Rents Department of S. Seeff & Co. (Agents for Rushley Heights) is taking the opportunity of communicating with you on a personal matter.

A Salesman on our staff has a young nephew, Denzel Bradshaw by name, who completed the Cambridge School Certificate in December 1944, at the Plumtree School, Plumtree, Southern Rhodesia. This young man acquired distinctions in French, Mathematics and Physics with Chemistry, and a credit in six other subjects.

He applied for admission to the Cape Town University as from January 1945, as a Medical student. His application was not accepted owing to the fact that he was too young to enter on a Medical course. An exemption has been granted from a S.A. Matric, and he completed a post-matric course in Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Applied Maths and French of one year's duration.

The writer's purpose in communicating with you is to ask if you could please use your influence in order to allow this young man entrance to the Witwatersrand University as a Medical student.

Yours faithfully,
I. SEEFF.

RENTS MANAGER.

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Adams College,
Adams Mission Str.,
Natal.

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The Director of Institute,
P. O. Box 97
Johannesburg.

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Dear Sir,

I beg to apply for a
bursary from your Institute, to assist me
in the Medical Course I intend to do
next year at the Witwatersrand University.
I am doing my final year ~~in~~ Matriculation
here at Adams College. I am twenty one
years old and a resident of Southern
Rhodesia.

I would be very much pleased to procure
this pecuniary assistance from you.

For any further particulars you ^{may} require, I
refer you to both the Principal of Adams College
and to Mr R. L. Solmer of P.O. Box 106 Que Que
who has advised me to apply as early as possible.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

Samuel Parirenyatwa

PARI

JDRJ/DAR.

11th May, 1946.

Rev. P. Ibbotson, O.B.E.,
P.O. Box 740,
BULAWAYO.

Dear

I enclose herewith copy of letter received from Samuel Parirenyatwa, a pupil of Adams College.

I have informed him "that this Institute cannot assist him financially to undergo a medical course. We are, however, drawing the attention of the Federation of Native Welfare Societies to the need for Southern Rhodesia to provide bursaries for their Africans".

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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JDRJ/DAR.

11th May, 1946.

Mr. S. Parirenyatwa,
Adams College,
Adams Mission Station,
NATAL.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant, I regret to have to inform you that this Institute cannot assist you financially to undergo a medical course. We are, however, drawing the attention of the Federation of Native Welfare Societies to the need for Southern Rhodesia to provide bursaries for their Africans.

Yours faithfully,

J. D. RHEINALLT JONES
DIRECTOR.

PARI

Federation of Native Welfare Societies in Southern Rhodesia

(SALISBURY, BULAWAYO, GWELO, QUE QUE, GATOOMA, SELUKWE, PLUMTREE
UMTALI AND VICTORIA FALLS NATIVE WELFARE SOCIETIES)

All communications to be addressed to
The Organising Secretary

P.O. Box 740,
BULAWAYO

20th May, 1946.

Mr. J.D. Rheinallt Jones,
S.A. Institute of Race Relations,
P.O. Box 97,
JOHANNESBURG.

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Dear Rheinallt Jones,

Thanks for sending along a copy of the letter you had received from Samuel Parirenyatwa, a pupil of Adams College. I enclose herewith a copy of the letter I have sent to him.

The Federation has already considered this question, and at our Council meeting held on February 16th and 17th 1946 a resolution was submitted to Government asking for sympathetic consideration to be given for the provision of bursaries to enable Africans to be trained as doctors, (see page 23, Minutes of 18th meeting of the Council, February 16th and 17th, 1946). We are still in correspondence with Government on this matter.

The question of the training and employment of African doctors was discussed by the National Health Commission, of which I was a member. Certain concrete proposals are included in our report which is at present being printed, and should soon be available for the public.

Kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

P. Mholain

ORGANISING SECRETARY.

copy

20th May, 1946.

Samuel Parirenyatwa,
Adams College,
Adams Mission Station,
NATAL.

Dear Parirenyatwa,

The application which you forwarded to the Institute of Race Relations regarding a bursary to assist in the medical course you wish to take has been submitted to me. The Institute of Race Relations does not grant bursaries to assist Africans in taking their medical course.

As you are no doubt aware the Southern Rhodesia Government award bursaries for Rhodesian students taking courses in the Union. Several bursaries are allocated each year. The maximum grant being £50 a year. Up to the present Government have not granted any bursary for a medical course in the Union, but I know that applications have been made and I think it would be advisable for you to write to the Director of Native Education P.O. Box 686, Salisbury and ask for an application form for a bursary. You had better complete this form and return it to the Director. Applications are usually considered in September.

My Federation has already strongly urged Government to provide bursaries for Africans who wish to be trained as doctors. The expense involved in being trained as a doctor is very substantial. and I am quite sure that no bursary will be granted to meet the full cost of the training, and if you have no financial resources yourself I think it will be necessary to look very carefully at this side of the question.

Yours sincerely,


A. Andrews

ORGANISING SECRETARY.

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JDRJ/DAR.

(Dict.)

25th September, 1946.

Dr. S. Mansvelt,
Fort Napier Mental Hospital,
PIETERMARITZBURG.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant and enclosures, I find it very difficult to know how to help you. I will, however, take an early opportunity of consulting two or three persons in official quarters, and I will write to you as soon as possible thereafter.

Yours faithfully,

J.D. RHEINALLT JONES
DIRECTOR.

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Dr.S.Mansvelt,
Fort Napier Mental Hospital,
Pietermaritzburg.

Senator the Hon.J.D.Reinhalt Jones,
University of the Witwatersrand,
Milner Park, Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

I would like to approach you for assistance in a matter which I know has already enjoyed your sympathy in many ways. For this reason I trust that you will forgive me for taking the liberty to write at such length about it.

Five years ago I entered our mental hospital service to gain clinical experience in mental diseases before undertaking further postgraduate work. My sincere hope was to apply myself to the preventative field after that. At that time there were encouraging signs that the nationalisation of medicine would materialise and render such service possible.

Unfortunately this latter development has not taken place.

Under such circumstances I have been left with the alternative of attempting to secure Departmental assistance as far as possible. As far as I have been able to ascertain, there is no prospect of this extending beyond the granting of study leave. The practical application subsequently, of such preventative work would be totally dependant on private endeavour.

With no other choice, for the past few months I have tried to arrange to go overseas for a period of two years to complete a postgraduate course in Psychiatry and specialise in Child Psychiatry. Although I have received encouraging replies from both Britain and America, it has not solved the difficulty of financial assistance and gaining admission to overcrowded training institutions of this type.

It seems to me that this ambition can only be realised.

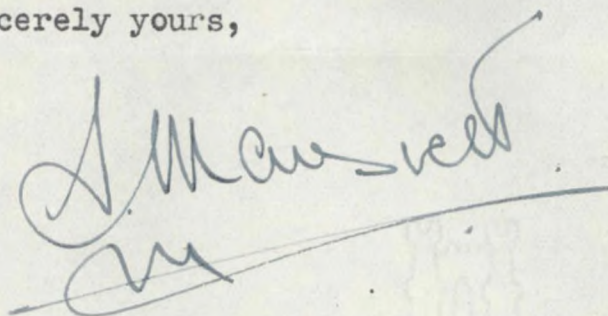
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with strong official backing. Col. Shearer of Maritzburg has been kind enough to advise me to approach you, as you would be in the best position to decide about a matter of this nature. I shall appreciate your advice very much.

May I apologise once again for taking up your valuable time,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. Mansvelt", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and somewhat stylized.

P.S. I enclose letters received from Britain and America and a brief summary of what I feel are strong indications for the necessity of this preventative work. Please do not think that I regard these as unknown to you.

31 Hamilton Street,
Coronationville,
Johannesburg.
October 1, 1946

Dear Sir,

I am a Coloured Youth, 18 years of age. I have passed the Matriculation Examination at the end of 1945 and found myself in a very difficult position.

My ambition was always to study Medicine, but when I was in a position to go to University, I discovered to my dismay, that my parents, could not afford to allow my dreams to come true, since they could not procure sufficient money.

But in a distance I saw a light, and once more got encourage to try to achieve my goal. I queried Beneficiaries, Educational Funds but being a Coloured I was refused.

And therefore, I turn to you as
a last resort.

Please sir, would you
be as kind as to lend me some
money to go to University. I promise
very sincerely to pay back every
penny you lay out on me.

Please sir, be so kind.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully
Leon. W. C. Smith

Phone Leo Kuper 22-0406

GEORGE W. ALBU.

P. O. BOX 1242,

PHONE 33-7411.

JOHANNESBURG.

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9th October, 1946.

The Secretary,
Institute of Race Relations,
University of the Witwatersrand,
Milner Park,
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

I am enclosing a letter I have received from a coloured youth. I wonder if your organisation would be able to help him in any way.

I should be glad if you would get in touch with him direct.

Yours faithfully,

George W. Albu

attention: Mr. Althaus.

~~Pending~~

EE/JG.

17th October, 1946.

Mr. G. Crowe,
9, Karl Street,
Wolhuter,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

On the suggestion of Mr. Leo Kuper I am writing to ask whether you can suggest the name of any organization which provides bursaries for Coloured persons wishing to study medicine at a South African University.

All enquiries I have made so far show that bursaries are available either in open competition only, where a Coloured person would presumably not have much of a chance, or are reserved to persons of pure Bantu descent.

Any light which you could throw on the matter would be greatly appreciated

Yours faithfully,

E. Ellenberger,
ACTING SECRETARY.

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JRA/NP

28th October 1946.

Sir George W. Albu, Bart.,
P.O. Box 1242,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir George,

With reference to your letter of the 9th October 1946 in which you referred to us the case of a young coloured man in search of a bursary, I have been unable to achieve very much. The only bursaries available to Coloured Youths are in open competition against Europeans, which does not give the Coloured very much of a chance.

I am, however, referring the youth to the Non-European Progress Trust.

Yours sincerely,

JRA/NP

23th October, 1946.

Mr. Leon Smith,
31, Hamilton Street,
CORONATIONVILLE.

Dear Sir,

Your letter to Sir George Albu~~g~~ was forwarded by him to this Institute in the hope that we could advise you as to the possibilities of obtaining a bursary to study Medicine.

If you intend studying at the Witwatersrand Medical School, it is essential, for admission to the course, to hold a first-class Matriculation Certificate. There are several bursaries per year offered by the University - there is no colour bar in the allocation of bursaries, so this means you would have to compete on merit for the bursary against other applicants.

Secondly, it is possible that you may be assisted by the Non-European Progress Trust, whose address is box 4118, Johannesburg. I suggest you apply to this Trust immediately.

Yours faithfully,

Quintin Whyte
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.

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QW/GVZ. (Dict.)

29th October, 1946.

Father Trevor Huddleston, E.R.,
Priory of Christ the King,
74, Meyer Street,
Sophiatown,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Father Huddleston,

I write to reply to your letter to Mr. Rheinallt Jones dated October 22nd, 1946 in which you asked for information about bursaries available for African boys desiring to enter the medical profession. The position is that the Union Education Department offers five bursaries or scholarships of £200 per annum for the duration of the medical course. The bursaries are awarded after the African have taken the first year of the B.Sc. Hygiene course at Fort Hare and they are allocated according to merit. If successful the boy then comes to Witwatersrand University and goes through the normal medical courses. I understand too that the Municipality is offering a similar bursary for an African medical student and I suggest that you write to Mr. Venables, Non-European Affairs Department, His Majestys Buildings, Commissioner Street, Johannesburg for further information. To my knowledge the National War Memorial Health Foundation is doing nothing as yet in this direction. The Robert Shapiro Trust for which the Institute act as secretariat award one scholarship to an African who is anxious to take the B.Sc. Hygiene course at Fort Hare. You could also apply for this for next year.

To/..... P.T.O.

To my knowledge these are the only bursaries available to Africans at the present time but I do suggest that you write to the Non-European Progress Trust, P.O. Box 4118, Johannesburg, and to the Bantu Welfare Trust care of our address, P.O. Box 97, Johannesburg, make an application for help. Actually Dr. Kerr of Fort Hare has a very considerable sum given him every year by the Bantu Welfare Trust for loans and scholarships of various descriptions. I may say, that Dr. Kerr and the Trust much prefer to make loans and not to give either bursaries or grants.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely,

Quintin Whyte
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Community of the Resurrection.

Telephone : 35 9446.

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HVDR
Priory of Christ the King,
74, Meyer Street,
Sophiatown,
Johannesburg.
October 22nd., 1946.

Dear Mr. Rheinalt Jones,

I wonder if you could help me with some information. I am anxious to find out from what sources it is possible to obtain bursaries for African boys desiring to enter the medical profession. I have one boy who is taking his matric. this year, from the Bantu High School, and who is very keen to become a doctor. Does the National War Memorial Health Fund do anything about this?

Yours sincerely,

Trumbull CR.

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Department of Native Education,

P.O. BOX 686, SALISBURY,

SOUTHERN RHODESIA.

12th. December, 1946.

Assistant Director,
South African Institute of Race Relations,
P. O. Box 97 : JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Sir,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 29th. November, 1946 giving me information concerning the Medical Course at the Witwatersrand University.

The information given will be of very much assistance at the next meeting of the Committee which is giving consideration to the establishment of a Bursary Fund for African students to take a Medical Course.

Yours faithfully,

DIRECTOR OF NATIVE EDUCATION.

GS/HFL.

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P.O. Willerforce, HAT
Canton.

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30th Dec., 1946.

The Secretary
Race Relation
P.O. box 97
Johannesburg.

Dear Sir,

I am here asking for your assistance.
I am applying for a Shapiro Bursary or
any other Bursary which you have, so as to
enable me to pursue the medical course
at the University of Cape Town in 1947.
I did my matriculation at St. Peter's Secondary
School, Koettenville, and in 1945
completed it. A supplementary sum is
needed. Thanking you in anticipation.

I remain
Yours faithfully
Sandhi Hlatshwayo.

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