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My dear Provincial President and Councillor,

I was hoping to see you at Bloemfontein but Councillor Chief Luthuli explained the circumstances contributing to your absence.

Firstly, I wish to state that I tried to contact you by phone but in vain. I sent a telegram and got a reply stating that you were in Zululand.

Anyway, the idea of the Conference was welcomed by every member of the Working Committee and Executive.

The attendance was a surprise - 511- and all working tactics failed so that the Conference plan could be carried out.

As to the money question I met the people concerned and I reported as to how I had disposed of the money and they were satisfied. You are correct; it was to be used for propaganda.

I was hoping to be in Durban this week as I was booked to leave by Flying Boat, Oct 19th. However, now it seems that I shall most probably leave by the Pan-American Airways from Leopoldville, leaving Johannesburg 21st Oct. That robs me of a day's conference I had quietly planned to have with you, Thursday or Friday. We must consider centralization for the advancement of our work. It is essential to progress and efficiency of any active organisation.

My plans are mixed just now. I have too much to do and can do nothing satisfactory.

With best regards.

Yours faithfully,

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