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Dear Sirs,

Just on my return from meeting Dr.A.B.Xuma in Johannesburg where I remained with him for 10 days I found your three valuable documents awaiting me viz:

1. Stop South Africa's Crimes
2. New Africa (Council of African Affairs Volume 5 No.10 November, 1946
3. Volume 5, 11 December 1946.

I write to state that I thank those who saw it fit to supply me with these papers. They are a great help to me and those who work with me. In the list of names of the Council Members, I personally know Dr.R.T.Bokwe who is also a member of the Executive Committee in South Africa of the African National Congress. I met Max Yergan at the time he was in South Africa more than once.

As a South African with very limited experience I must ask you to assist me by putting me on the free list of your publications. If necessary I would help you by supplying you with information whenever it is necessary. You may be aware that I hold several honorary positions on behalf of my African people in this Province. When Dr. A.B.Xuma was in America I acted for him as President of the Congress. I am the elected member of the Government Native Representative Council. I am the President for the Natal Branch of the African Congress. I am the General Secretary for the Industrial and Commercial Workers Union I.C.U. Yase Natal. Treasurer, Natal Bantu Parents Association. Chairman, Durban Location Combined Advisory Board. Member: King Edward VIII Hospital Advisory Board.

I enclose some of the statements that I have helped to have drawn up and submitted which speak for themselves. These may interest Members of your Council in America. Dr.Bokwe operates in the Cape Province, Dr.Xuma in the Transvaal while I am in the Province of Natal. They are professional men who were able to obtain their education from overseas. I am just an ordinary man. I am financially handicapped with many commitments. Any newspaper is a help to me in this country. I am a man of 54 years age with a family of 7. My record of service is well known to many people both in this Country and other Countries overseas. Once more I thank you for the honour done me.

Yours faithfully,

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