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June 24, '53.

The Secretary,  
Transvaal Peace Council,  
P.O. Box 10528,  
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Friend,

I wish to acknowledge your letter dated  
the 22<sup>nd</sup> instant.

Soon as we receive the articles stated  
we shall send them out to various organisations  
in Natal.

Have you any more of the pamphlets  
"I Appeal" or any others?

Regards the Exhibition we would like  
you to send us any posters, etc. which you had  
done locally for your exhibition. Can you give me  
some idea of what you are going to send?

Peace Greetings,

Yours fraternally,

*A. A. [Signature]*

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July 29th 1953

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Secretary,  
Durban Natal Peace Council  
Box 700  
Durban.

Dear Dawood,

I'm sure to get a letter from you as soon as I've posted this, but meanwhile, before hearing from you, I have already posted you some material for our new campaign so that you need not waste time in getting on with it.

I have sent: 500 ballot cards (this is just for a start. We hope you'll be able to get thousands signed. Ideas: get Trade Union secretaries and shop stewards to take them to factories, etc. Get Congresses to undertake to get a certain number signed. Give a prize to the person bringing in most signed cards. Put a table up over week-ends in well-frequented spots. etc) We are having cards printed in Afrikaans and in Zulu/sotho. Can you give me an idea of how many you will need?

- about 600 copies of our new leaflet. We have plenty more if you want them

- a few copies of leaflets sent to us by the World Peace Council, for including in letters when you write to people.

I enclose copy of a draft constitution for an S.A. Peace Council that we have agreed upon etc. It has been kept as broad and flexible as possible, to admit any individual or organisation, but to keep the Governing Council independent. May we have the comments of your Committee?

Best wishes

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Onder by S.A. Peace Council  
Lêer Sp. van Papier 110  
Te Lawrence House, Ficks 110, J.H.  
Datum 28/9/53  
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COUNCIL

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August 5, '53.

Secretary,  
Transvaal Peace Council,  
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Hilda,

I wish to acknowledge your letter of the 29th. No draft copy of the constitution was enclosed. Since we are having the first Council meeting on coming Sunday I shall be pleased to have it then.

Received articles as stated in your letter.

BALLOT CARDS. YOU may send 5000 of English and 5000 in Zulu.

LEAFLETS. SEND same quantity.

You need not send anything in Afrikaans only.

CONFERENCE. I have explained our local difficulty in sending delegates to the conference to Rusty. Assistance from your end will enable us to send proper representatives from Natal. Please let us know soon.

VOTE FOR PEACE. I want to suggest that this should appear in all the week-end papers of South Africa, as well as weeklies which appear in different languages. Though it will be costly, but from the response we could judge what the people are thinking in South Africa..

In this way our message will go throughout the country and people will come to know about the existence of Peace movement in the country.

In other countries progressive journals carries out campaign on Peace through their medium. I don't see any reason why 'Advance' should not assist us.

DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE. I hope you are sending out special invitations to prominent individuals throughout the country to attend.

BULLETIN. ARE you sending direct to any individuals in Durban? Either you continue to send them or if you send the list I shall post them from here. This will not duplicate as we may be presently.

PEACE CALLS. If you don't need them we shall give them out here.

PEACE EXHIBITION. This will be open to the public from coming Monday to Sunday, from 2.30. p.m. to 6.30 p.m. at Room 7, Pembroke Chambers, 472 West St., Durban.

Best wishes

Yours faithfully,  
D.A. Liddel

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Secretary,  
Natal Peace Council  
Box 700  
Durban.

Dear Dawood,

I wanted to thank you for the big and representative delegation that you organised from Natal to the Congress. I hope the people who came felt that the journey was justified, and I know that it made a real contribution to the success of the Congress.

1) REPORT FROM CONGRESS. We are preparing speeches, discussion, resolutions and so on, and will issue this material in about three weeks time. Meanwhile, we hope you will be able to hold 'report-back' meetings, and publicise the Congress.

2) BAN ON FISHER. A deputation is now being organised by the Cape Town people. I will let you have news of it when I hear about it myself. We would like the Natal Peace Council to send a telegram of protest to the Minister, and to get individuals and organisations to send protests as well.

3) NOMINEES TO S.A. PEACE COUNCIL. The Constitution allows for twenty additional seats to be filled by regions, within one month of the Congress. We recommend that Natal be asked to fill another 6 seats, Cape Town 3, Transvaal 7, and four be left open to be filled at a later stage, we hope, from the Free State. The seats filled at the present time, including President and Vice-Presidents, are as follows: Transvaal....18 (plus 1 more - Fischer)  
Natal.....3  
Cape Town.....5.

If you feel that with the additional representatives there would be too many from the Transvaal, please let us know. We recommend that the additional people be selected from among active peace workers, representatives of different racial groups (hope you can get a European!) or individuals or members of organisations that have, or could, make a contribution to peace work. We ask you to send in your nominations by 21st September, to comply with the constitution. If this does not give you sufficient time, perhaps you would ask for an extension of time, and we could be a bit flexible about applying the constitution!

4) BALLOT CAMPAIGN. We want to go all out on this now. We suggest tables in streets, getting the cooperation of Trade Union Shop Stewards, etc, to get factories to sign up, door-to-door, &

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whatever other ingenious methods you can think up. Our aim, as you know, is 100,000 signatures, and so far we haven't quite reached the first thousand, so there's a long way to go. The World Peace Council keep pressing us to make this a big campaign, and it does give an opportunity for development of Peace work, to activise individuals and to approach new people. Statements and resolutions from organisations and leading individuals on their support of the principle of ~~amgax~~ negotiation between the Big Powers would also be welcome.

5) NEWSLETTER. This is now to be an S.A.P.C. publication, and I would like all news of meetings held, protests re Fischer, ballot campaign and so on from your area to include in it

6) FINANCE. We owe something in the nature of £120 incurred in Congress expenses, apart from about £100 already spent. The Transvaal Peace Council has asked me to write to the various regions urging they should endeavour to contribute. I know your position, but as I was told to write to you all, I have to do it. Even a small token amount towards the printing of ballot cards or something like that would be welcome.

All good wishes

(Acting Secretary S.A. Peace Council,  
and also Sec. Tvl. P. C.)

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KENYA COMMITTEE

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Post Office No. 86, Rochester Row,  
London, S.W.1.  
Victoria 4962  
January 1954.  
17 Essex Terrace  
No. 20819(2) K.F.S. - H.K.M. 9/54  
Somerset House, 110 Strand, W.C.2

Date 28 - 1 - 55

Dear Friend

Verwysings No. Lys. 2 - 8(70)(c)

In order to extend the Kenya Protest Campaign, which has the wholehearted support of so many organisations throughout the country, including your own, the Committee has now decided that the next step should be a National Deputation to the Colonial Office on Empire Day (Monday, 24th May), 1954.

So that we can achieve the widest and most representative deputation possible and also get a really representative delegate from each locality, it will be necessary to organise local conferences or public meetings to elect such delegates.

We would like to know whether your organisation is prepared to co-operate with us in this. If so, we will let you know if there are other organisations in your area who have also supported our campaign and will send you their names and addresses.

With many thanks for your help in the past and looking forward to your further assistance in the future,

Yours sincerely,

C.L. Collymore, S. O'Brien.  
Joint Secretaries.

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THE SOUTH AFRICAN PEACE COUNCIL

19th January, 1954.

The Kenya Committee,  
LONDON.

Dear Friends,

My Council is preparing a "Peace in Africa" exhibition, and we are most anxious to obtain as much material as possible on the war in Kenya.

We would appreciate it very much if you could send us information and photographs on Kenya.

Would you treat this request as urgent, since we wish to have the exhibition ready within the next few weeks.

Bewysstuk No..... Yours sincerely,  
 Gekry by S.A. Peace Council  
 Deur Mr. 2000 (v) / 18/Jan. M. G. ...  
 Te Somerset House, 110 Finsbury Street, London, E.C. 2 Secretary.  
 Datum 28 - 1 - 54  
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# Kenya Committee *E315*

For Democratic Rights for Kenya Africans

Telephone  
VICtoria 4962

86 Rochester Row,  
London, S.W.1

26 Jan. 1954.

The Secretary,  
Transvaal Peace Council,  
Box 10528,  
Johannesburg,  
S. Africa.

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Dear Friend,

We are very pleased to have your news about the "Peace in Africa" Exhibition and are getting all the relevant information that we can. As soon as this is collected - I hope within the next few days - we will send it to you by Air.

We shall be very glad if your organisation will agree to signing our protest postcard, of which a copy is enclosed. For your information we also enclose a letter that has been sent to all organisations who have supported the Committee's work. Over 250 organisations, representing more than 560,000 people, have signed the card and more are coming in every day.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Bewysstuk No. *5.6/11*  
Gekry by *SA Peace Council S. O'Brien.*  
Deur *Mr. 21327/13, Capt. A. H. ... Joint Secretary.*  
Te *Somerset House, 110 Fleet St. ...*  
Datum *28-9-55.*  
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**Kenya Committee** E317  
For Democratic Rights for Kenya Africans

Telephone  
VICtoria 4962

86 Rochester Row,  
London, S.W.1

2 Feb. 1954.

The Secretary,  
South African Peace Council  
Box 10528,  
Johannesburg, S. Africa.

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Dear Friend,

Enclosed is some information material, as promised in our reply of 26 Jan. to your letter of 19 Jan. I must apologise for having addressed the previous letter to the Transvaal Peace Council instead of to the South African Peace Council and hope that no delay or inconvenience has been caused.

It has not yet been possible to get any photographs and as the matter is urgent, we are sending you the information now and will try again for photos; if it possible to obtain these within the next week we will send them to you. The material includes our speakers' notes, a letter from the African people of Kaloleni Location, Nairobi, material issued by the Elector Union Newsletter (showing the settlers' intention before the "emergency") and a set of press ~~extracts~~ extracts including the whole "emergency" period.

We hope that these will prove of use and if you would like copies of the Committee's Kenya Report, we will send you some as soon as they are ready. The first edition is sold out and the 2nd edition is now at the printers.

Yours sincerely,

S. O'Brien.  
Joint Secretary.

SOUTH AFRICAN PEACE COUNCIL

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P.O. Box 10528,  
Johannesburg.

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~~Private~~ ..... 1st March 1954.

Gekry by S.A. Peace Council

Deur. Mr. 20319(x) / S.P.A. / H.J. Kuyper

Te. Somerset House, 100 Fox St. JHB

Datum 28-9-55

Verwysings No. Lys 2 - 8(70)(12)

The Secretary,  
Kenya Committee,  
LONDON.

Dear Friend,

I have much pleasure in enclosing your Kenya protest card which has been endorsed by the Secretariat of my Council.

My Council would like to suggest that you should send copies of the card for endorsement to the following additional organisations many of which, we are sure, will sign the protest:-

1. African National Congress, P.O. Box 9207, Johannesburg.
2. Transvaal Indian Congress, 4a Kort St., Johannesburg.
3. South African Congress of Democrats, 5 Somerset House, Fox St., Johannesburg.
4. Natal Indian Congress, C/O P.O. Box 700, Durban.
5. South African Trades & Labour Council, Union Centre, Pritchard St., Johannesburg.
6. African National Congress Youth League, P.O. Box 9207, Johannesburg.
7. South African Indian Youth Congress, 4a Kort St., Johannesburg.
8. Council of Non-European Trade Unions, Rosenberg Arcade, Market Street, Johannesburg.
9. Modern Youth Society, c/o ~~frd~~ "Advance", 6 Barrack St., Cape Town.

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We are most interested in receiving any further material that you may issue.

I am also enclosing a copy of a press statement issued by my Council on the suggestion that South African Troops should be sent to Kenya.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary.

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THE SOUTH AFRICAN PEACE COUNCIL

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P.O. Box 10528,  
Johannesburg.

15th February 1954.

The Secretary,  
Kenya Committee,  
86 Rochester Row,  
London S.W.1.

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Bewysstuk No. ....  
Gekry by S.A. Peace Council  
Deur Mr. 2009(1) (K) (S) M. K. ...  
Te Samuel House, 110 Fox St. JHB  
Datum 28-2-54  
Verwysings No. Lys-8 - 70(F)

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your letters of 26th January and 2nd February together with the very useful material which you have sent. I can assure you that the information will assist us a great deal in our work.

Your card will be put before the next meeting of our Secretariat on Friday and I will immediately return it if it is agreed that we should sign - I am sure that the Secretariat will agree.

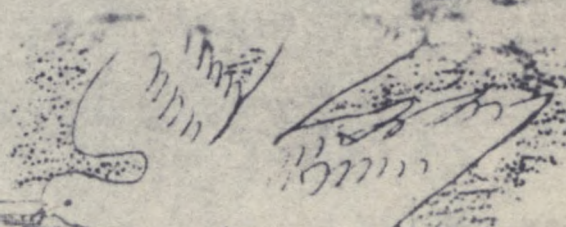
We look forward to receiving a copy of the Committee's Kenya Report.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

Secretary.

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Durban



Council

20th April, 1954.

TO ALL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS:

Dear Friend,

The Postponed Executive meeting will be held:

ON: FRIDAY - 23rd APRIL, 1954.

AT: ROOM 6 - 472 West Street.

AT: 5.45.p.m. Sharp.

AGENDA:

- 1. Minutes.
- 2. Correspondence.
- 3. Campaign on H. Bomb. ✓
- 4. General.

Your presence is earnestly requested.

Yours fraternally,

*D. Smit*

for: JT. HON. SECRETARIES.  
NATAL PEACE COUNCIL.

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# NATAL PEACE COUNCIL

6 Pembroke Chambers - 472 West Street - Durban.

7th May, 1955.

The Secretary,

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Dear Friend,

Your organisation is invited to send 5 delegates to the next Annual Conference of the Natal Peace Council, to be held at the

SURAT HINDU ASSOCIATION HALL,  
127. VICTORIA ST., DURBAN,

ON SUNDAY, 22nd. MAY, 1955,  
Commencing at 2 p.m.

Arrangements are being made for the Rev. D. C. Thompson, Chairman of the S. A. Peace Council, to open the Conference.

Peace is the over-riding issue of this atomic age. The success of the struggle for freedom everywhere depends on the maintenance of peace and the defeat of the war-mongers whose main aim is to advance the cause of imperialism and oppression by leading the world into an atomic war. Peace lovers and freedom fighters in S. Africa can no longer remain indifferent to what is going on in Kenya and Malaya, nor can they ignore the very real danger of a third world war that presents itself as a result of what is happening in the Far East. S. Africa has been fortunate in that it escaped the ravages of the last two world wars, but should another war come our country is bound to become a major battle ground by virtue of its strategic position and uranium resources.

We must use every means at our disposal to avoid a third world war. The use of atom and hydrogen bombs may well mean the end of civilisation - a prospect no person in his right senses dare contemplate.

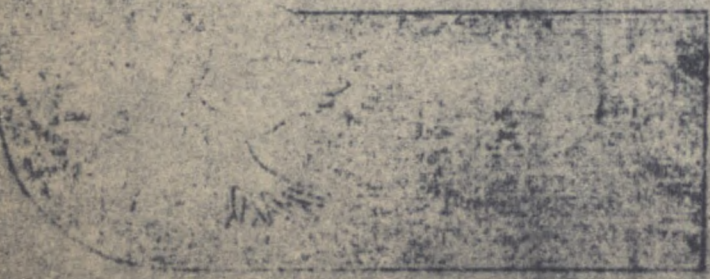
We have no doubt that your organisation is intensely interested in the question of peace and will do everything possible to strenghten the peace movement in this country. We therefore hope that it will be fully represented at our forthcoming conference and make it the success it deserves to be.

Yours sincerely,

Dawood Seedat,

SECRETARY.

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# NATAL PEACE COUNCIL

6 Pembroke Chambers - 472 West Street - Durban.

13th August, 1955.

The Secretary,  
South African Peace Council,  
P. O. Box 10528,  
JOHANNESBURG.

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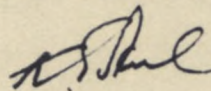
Dear Friend,

With reference to our letter of 9th July, the last meeting of our Executive considered the Rev. Thompson's proposed visit to Natal and decided that, in view of our very precarious financial position, a decision on this matter be deferred to a later date. In the meantime we are making every effort to liquidate our present liabilities and since this is going to take some time, it is not likely that we will be in a position to call on Rev. Thompson's services for the next two months at least.

Will you kindly convey our decision to Rev. Thompson and accept our apologies for our failure to give you any financial assistance at the moment.

We have written you several letters regarding the "Peace" hankies that were sent to you in December last, but you have not yet told us whether these have been disposed of and the monies collected. We are anxious to know what the position is with regard to this matter. Will you therefore please advise us per return.

Yours sincerely,



SECRETARY.

Bewysstuk No. ....

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