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30th March, 1961.

Alan Paton, Esq.,  
23 Lynton Road,  
Kloof,  
NATAL.

Dear Mr. Paton,

I enclose copy of a letter sent by the Trustees to the Star. Would you be kind enough to see that this or something similar goes into your local press.

We are over joyed at the turn of events but in great haste.

Yours sincerely,

*RS Wats*

*P.P. Secretary.*

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23 Lynton Road,  
KLOOF,  
Natal.

22nd April, 1961.

Dear Secretary,

Thank you for a copy of the letter sent by the Trustees to the STAR. Before receiving the letter I had already sent a statement to the three Natal papers, and I am glad to say that it was much in the same terms as your own.

I also telegraphed to Sir de Villiers Graaff and to Dr. Jan Steytler, respectfully asking them to urge the Government to pay some kind of compensation to the twenty-eight released persons. This was prominently featured here, and I hope that you saw it. I have since heard from Dr. Steytler, saying that he intends to bring up the matter under the Justice vote, but you may have read in your papers that Dr. Smit has already raised the matter in Parliament. He has, however, not yet received any Ministerial reply.

Yours sincerely,

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