



PRIME MINISTER'S
PERSONAL MESSAGE
SERIAL No. T105A/86

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*State House
Lusaka, Republic of Zambia*

2nd June, 1986

My Dear Prime Minister,

I write to thank you very much for your kind message of sympathy and solidarity which you sent to me following South Africa's wanton and unprovoked bombing of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees Camp, near our Capital City of Lusaka on May 19th, 1986.

We have done nothing against the minority and racist regime of South Africa to deserve this attack. Our only crime is our humanitarian support of the oppressed people of South Africa. In perpetrating this attack, the racist regime hopes to force us to stop this support.

We have made it abundantly clear to South Africa that despite these attacks and as long as apartheid persists, we shall not flinch from our humanitarian responsibility of giving support to the ANC and SWAPO and to the refugees from South Africa and Namibia.

With all good wishes and warm regards.

Yours sincerely,

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Kenneth D. Kaunda
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

Right Honourable Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, MP.
Prime Minister,
No. 10 Downing Street,
LONDON.



Foreign and Commonwealth Office

London SW1A 2AH

27 June 1986

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Already received
telegraphically.

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Dear Charles,

Zambia

I enclose the text of a letter dated 2 June from President Kaunda to the Prime Minister which has been forwarded from our High Commission in Lusaka. As you will see it thanks her for her letter of 20 May expressing sympathy after the South African attack on Lusaka on 19 May.

No reply is called for.

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

(C R Budd)
Private Secretary

C D Powell Esq
PS/10 Downing Street

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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF A LETTER DATED 2 JUNE (BUT ONLY RECEIVED TODAY) FROM KAUNDA TO THE PRIME MINISTER:
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MY DEAR PRIME MINISTER,

I WRITE TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR KIND MESSAGE OF SYMPATHY AND SOLIDARITY WHICH YOU SENT TO ME FOLLOWING SOUTH AFRICA'S WANTON AND UNPROVOKED BOMBING OF THE UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSION FOR REFUGEES CAMP, NEAR OUR CAPITAL CITY OF LUSAKA ON MAY 19TH, 1986.

WE HAVE DONE NOTHING AGAINST THE MINORITY AND RACIST REGIME OF SOUTH AFRICA TO DESERVE THIS ATTACK. OUR ONLY CRIME IS OUR HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT OF THE OPPRESSED PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA. IN PERPETRATING THIS ATTACK, THE RACIST REGIME HOPES TO FORCE US TO STOP THIS SUPPORT.

WE HAVE MADE IT ABUNDANTLY CLEAR TO SOUTH AFRICA THAT DESPITE THESE ATTACKS AND AS LONG AS APARTHEID PERSISTS, WE SHALL NOT FLINCH FROM OUR HUMANITARIAN RESPONSIBILITY OF GIVING SUPPORT TO THE ANC AND SWAPO AND TO THE REFUGEES FROM SOUTH AFRICA AND NAMIBIA.

WITH ALL GOOD WISHES AND WARM REGARDS.

YOURS SINCERELY

KENNETH D KAUNDA

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