

## Guyana High Commission

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July 4 1986

Dear Prixale Secretory,

I have been requested by President Desmond Hoyte to forward the attached document to the Rt Hon Margaret Thatcher, Prime Minister.

It is a Declaration on Southern Africa adopted by the 7th Meeting of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community in Georgetown, Guyana on July 3 1986.

Your sincely,

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C J E Barker
Acting High Commissioner

The Private Secretary
to the Rt Hon Prime Minister
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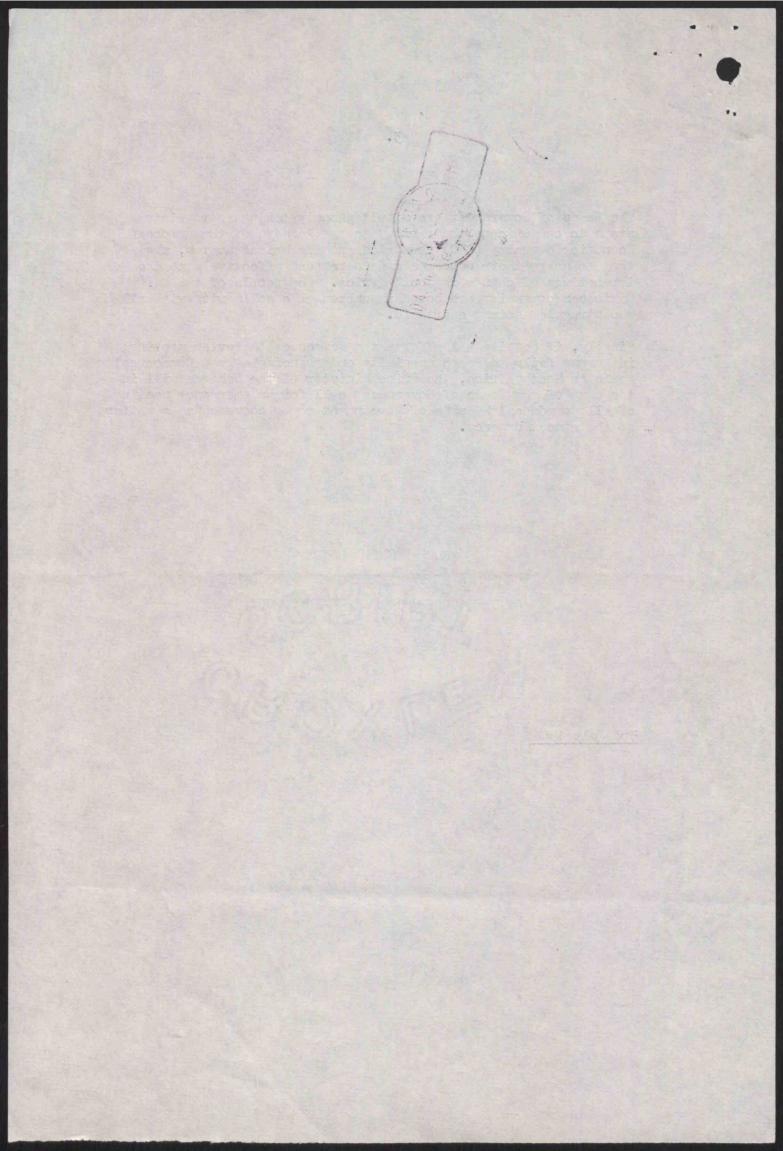
I have the honour to transmit to you the following declaration on Southern Africa adopted by the 7th Meeting of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community here in Georgetown - today July 3, 1986.

#### DECLARATION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA

The Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community at their seventh meeting held in Georgetown, considered recent and current developments in Southern Africa. They recalled that the increased repression by the racist regime in Southern Africa of that country's black population and the blatant aggression perpetrated against Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe, had been widely condemned. They noted that recent events, particularly the reintroduction of a state of emergency, the sweeping powers of arrest and detention given to the Police which have led to the imprisonment of over a thousand persons, and the severe censorship of the press, have only heightened the sense of outrage felt by the people of the Caribbean. These events have also strengthened the solidarity of the Caribbean with the oppressed people of South Africa and with the Governments and people of the frontline states, victims of persistent South African aggression.

The Heads reflected on the efforts in the past for a peaceful negotiation solution to the depressing situation in Southern Africa. They noted that all these have been frustrated by the intransigence of the Pretoria regime leaving the oppressed people no other option but to engage in an armed struggle.

In this context, the Heads of Government specially welcomed the report of the Commonwealth Group of Eminent Persons, which they had joined in commissioning in The Bahamas last October. They expressed appreciation for the efforts of the group to facilitate the objectives of the Nassau Accord, namely, the dismantling of apartheid and the establishment in South Africa of a non-racial representative Government - both, as a matter of compelling urgency.



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From the Private Secretary

4 July 1986

Thank you for your letter conveying the text of the Declaration on South Africa recently adopted by Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community.

CHARLES POWELL

Mr. C. J. E. Barker.

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From the Private Secretary

4 July 1986

#### SOUTH AFRICA: CARIBBEAN VIEWS

I enclose a copy of the Declaration on Southern Africa adopted by the Seventh Meeting of Heads of Government of the Caribbean Community on 3 July, which has been sent to the Prime Minister by the President of Guyana.

CHARLES POWELL

Colin Budd, Esq., Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

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