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Thank you for your letter of February 5. Until we meet again . . .

I was in New York a fortnight ago, at the invitation of PAC, for the 10th anniversary of Bob's death. You might want to read the speech so I am enclosing a copy.

Can I ask you for a bit of information? When Bob's mother died, was he allowed to attend her funeral? If so, do you know when this was and where the funeral was held? How did he travel there? And did he see Steve Biko en route, and if so in what circumstances?

Another point: Do you know when Bob's father died? Did he die in Graaff Reinet? And his brother, Charles?

I look forward to hearing from you

With best wishes,

Sincerely

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I was so glad to see you in December, even if it was for such a ridiculously short time.

Can you throw your mind back to 1964? My recollection is that, after one of my visits to Bob Sobukwe on the island, I told you how upset he was that no church minister had been to see him. He was a Methodist, his brother was an Anglican priest, his wife was an Anglican, and a Catholic had ministered to him in Pretoria prison. But no one came near him on the island (except for Theo Kotze, who lost his prisons appointment as a chaplain). Anyway, I recall that you were very angry about the failure of the churches to minister to him and got busy on the matter. You later told me you had spoken to an Anglican priest - in Camps Bay? - who said he would not go to the island as he did not like travelling by sea.

Correct? Any other details you can remember?

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