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Mr. Benjamin Pogrund P.O. Box 1138 Johannesburg, South Africa

Dear Benjamin:

Thank you for your letter of November 11. I received it on the day that you were to go to trial. I do hope things have gone as well as can be expected.

I have checked with our travel agents here and it seems the easiest way to get tickets to the Sobukwes is to pre-pay tickets here on Pan American which can be picked up at any Pan American office in South Africa. This can be done very quickly and so as soon as I receive a cable from you that the tickets should be authorized, we will pre-pay them here and they should be able to pick them up in South Africa within the next day or two.

I want to point out one small problem however. You will recall that we have been able to authorize "up to" \$2,000 for transportation for the Sobukwe family. If Bob, Mrs. and the four children all leave, I am afraid that \$2,000 will not be adequate. My rough checking here indicates that the one-way fare from Johannesburg to Madison, Wisconsin is \$610. However, we will certainly do our best to come up with the ext ra money to bring the entire family out now. Consequently, you can count on our paying for one-way tickets for Bob, Mrs. and the four children, but I would appreciate knowing as soon as possible the ages of the children since this effects the air fare.

Best regards. Good luck. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,
William R. Cotter
President

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