23 Lynton Road, KLOOF, Natal, South Africa. 2nd July, 1964.

Dear Herr Putzrath,

I write to thank you for having seen Miss Merle Babrow who is a member of our Liberal Party in South Africa. I wish to support her call for help. Our position at the moment is very serious. Only this last weekend many of our homes and offices were raided, including those of Mr. Peter Brown, our National Chairman. The Minister of Justice says he is uncovering a second Communist plot, but we believe it is merely a continuation of the intimidation policy.

Our work is honest and legitimate. We are not supporters of totalitarianism, whether of the Right or Left. We believe in the participation by all South Africans in the government and wealth of their country. It is the only sane view to take, and it must be kept alive; otherwise when our present tyranny is over, we shall only exchange it for another. It is urgent and important work, and our leading members continue to do it with courage and resolution, but alas, we are always poor! That is why we so earnestly hope that you will be able to help us.

Again, sir, thank you for help and interest.
Yours sincerely,

NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF LIBERAL PARTY OF SOUTH AFRICA.

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