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Room 1,
268, Longmarket St.,
Pietermaritzburg.

29th November, 1961.

The Secretary,
Human Rights Committee,
403, Lodson House,
Grey St.,
DURBAN.

Dear Mrs. Naidoo,

I hope you will not mind my returning your lists to you, but I do so for the following reasons.

As you probably know there is a committee similar to yours operating in Pietermaritzburg and doing its best to cater for a number of families of deportees in this area and in Northern Natal. I feel that this committee has first call on those of us who live in this area and I have been able to do something to help it in the past. Secondly, although yours is a special Christmas appeal I know that the local committee is also hoping to make a special effort to give the people dependent on it something special for Christmas, and I think we should assist it in this effort.

I was actually visited by a person collecting for your committee a fortnight or so ago and I told him at the time that I did not feel able to give, for the reasons I have given above. I hope you will understand.

I have been asked by Canon Collins, or more correctly by Alan Paton on his behalf, to send to Christian Action as many stories as possible of the plight of deportees and their families. I gather that he would use these stories to raise funds, not specifically for the families but in order to publicise the work of Christian Action, so that his own resources will be greater if called upon in the future. Would it be possible for you to help me with any such stories? In view of the great contributions made by Christian Action to the TTDF and other funds I feel we should do what we can to help.

Yours sincerely,