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Dear Randolph,

Many thanks for your letter and the copy of the one you finally sent to Everatt.

I had a letter from him a couple of weeks ago and am enclosing with this my reply to him. I have sent a copy of my letter and yours to Terence in Capetown which is where the paper was originally given and where I think Terence is in some way involved with Everatt as his referee.

In his letter to me Everatt said he was doing some rewriting before presenting the paper at a Conference in September. I don't know what or where the conference is but I suppose probably in Oxford. It might be an idea to have a presence there to see what he says and perhaps ask awkward questions.

I will make contact with Peter Loveday. I am supposed to be going to Johannesburg in late September to do something about the LDA and will try to see him then. Your other friend I did manage to speak to at least twice on the phone but only to tell him that there didn't seem to be any chance of managing to see him.

I think IDASA probably does have good grassroots contacts in some areas, but that would be with organisations or their representatives. I don't think it has a membership as such. As far as I can make out its aim is to offer the facilities for people to get together to try to work out the basis for a democratic future; so I think it has a staff whose job it is to try and do that, rather than get members. I think the mistake it is making is in getting too closely identified with the ANC/UDF axis, which will make it almost impossible to draw in some of the other contending factions.

I haven't heard anything about the IFC. Does that mean its gone home to Geneva?

Today's news tells me that P.W. has kicked Hendrickse out of the Cabinet. He must be crazy.

Yours,