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New Delhi

Dear Sukhthi, Phyllis, and John,

Sunday afternoon, the 2 pm news is on reporting on the UN commission's demand that western countries take a harder line on South Africa. Although there is an inevitable bit of hypocrisy in it all, India does give a lot of publicity to the southern African scene.

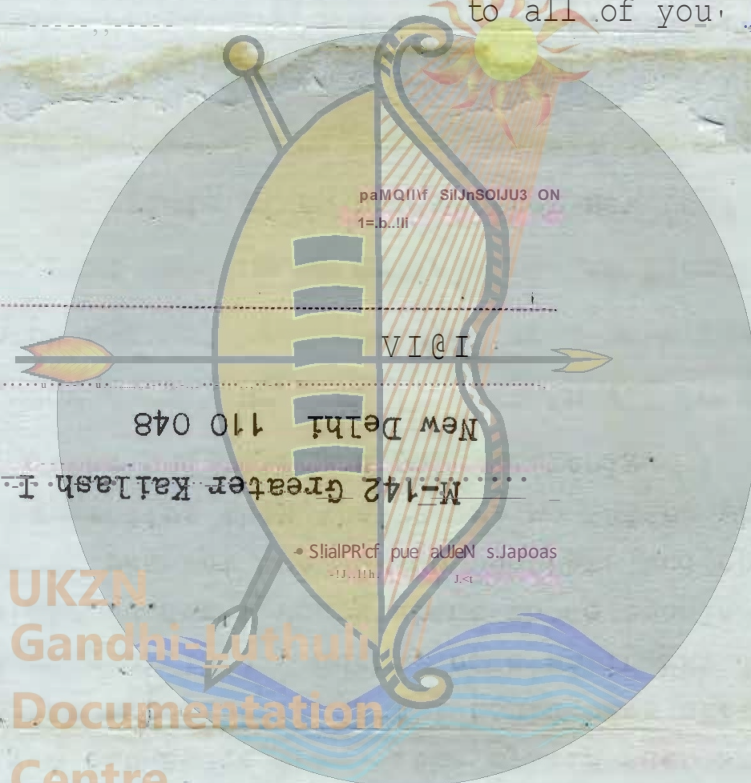
So, hello John....we will try to get letters through to Phyllis through you for a while. And we still hope Sukhs is holding on to her copies so you can share them with Phyllis when she comes to UK. I am still feeling embarrassed that I could have once again been convinced that your birthday, Sukhs, comes up in July and not May. 17 years old....don't worry about those people you mentioned who do not seem to respect age....your thoughts and observations will probably be more perceptive than theirs are no matter what their age. We loved your letter and hope you got the reply.

And, John, how goes your work in Botswana? We got your letter of several months ago and responded to it; I hope you received the reply. We were just reading an article called "Theology at 120 Deg."....it is most appropriate given our weather now (and was in fact written by a European priest who was stationed about 100 miles from Delhi)....he contrasts the perspective of a well-fed theologian at 70 deg. F and one surrounded by flies, sweat, and grime at 120 deg. F. Their perspective on the world and God differs quite a bit....as you can imagine from your shuttling between those two worlds. An American friend (Geoff.....oops we cannot 'i:' 't'—his last name) has just left for a job in Botswana, no doubt related to agriculture. We have told him to look you up..it may be several months before he arrives so

Phyllis, we hope that some of the letters are getting through....whenever one does get through check the number and now that lots of love came with all those missing letters....and our support for you continues regardless of the number of letters that get through....we have not received anything from you since May 13....

.....here's Fern..

Hello from me too ••Fe /4re now filling in a:SMo'nroe headed off to tackle the piles of bARE papers. The country director and second in command have gone on home leave ••thus the poor.tfellow never sees an end in sight. We have had a CARE-New York guy here this week. He had no hesitations about letting us in on .some secrets (some not so savory ones) at CARE headquarters ••It Js a bit\_ deuressing, though I imagine there are such tales about any headquarters •• (especially Wasington. D. c !)//One of my letters to the editor was published in 'a Durban paper. I think ••I only knew about it when a lette.r of respnse came from an irate man. oThe usuai comeback ••"why. don' t you cle.an up the injustice in your own country" ••ana he sent a clipping about a white farmer killed in 3imbabwei as .a refute for my unkind comments about the "homeland" policyo.I'll reply and see if he continues the exchange. WE've been quite amazed that the papers even publish the letters ••but I imagine having a USA address on them helps •• d, of course there are no doubt good people in some of thooe papers (100 l&vf to all of you ...7- y "7>1 uN .:..:..)



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