

July 5, 1981

Dear Phyllis and Sukhs.....

As an Uhmurikhan, July 4th is supposed to be the big day to remember but I find that July 5th sticks more in my mind....and in Phyllis's ass (not that the two should or could be equated). And so today, we are remembering and thankful that the damage that day was far, far less than it might have been.....and never will we forget the love, strength, and determination which welled up in everyone during those days. Too bad that that love itself couldn't bring South Africa to its knees. And what do you hear from our favorite one-handed knot tjer? We haven't heard anything since he went 'down under'. And how are the others who were there that day?

And this is also an important time for remembering how a year after that bomb, another more pleasant one went off in Va Ntisi....and again the love that welled up there will never be forgotten either. Please pass around our thanks for a job well done to all the cooks and helpers at that 'quiet country wedding'. Our greatest sense of relief is found in that fact that Princess Diana and her beau decided on July 29 and not the 19th! And I doubt that they will have as much fun at theirs as we had at ours.....

*No indeed! Though the maintenance of our marriage became our own responsibility on that day, we certainly couldn't have had a more love filled, supportive start than what y'all gave us! How we would love to drop by your house (& the others) to express our thanks in person... that being impossible know that there will be some extra special thoughtlets sent your way on that day (to join all the others we normally send)*

Thick black clouds cover the sky today - last night they dumped welcome rain on the city for nearly two hours... The paper these days records the mounting flood related deaths <sup>in north</sup> India. Seems so ironic since only weeks ago these same areas of northern India were recording deaths from heat & initiating drought relief programs. Sometimes it seems the elements of nature have conspired against this land - yet despite the odds human resilience endures.

I'm not sure I ever told you - I've finally read Nadine Gordimer's

*Burger's Daughter* - Quite powerful - and many times throughout the reading I had to stop and leave it for awhile - too much or too hard to digest it all.

Some of the political & social implications may be lost on those unfamiliar with the RSA situation - There is no attempt to define Afrikaans words or names - that is deliberate I'm sure... It's aimed at those who are familiar - & maybe for those who are not it will be the catalyst for more discovery -

It puzzles me somewhat how she can continue to live & write in RSA without restriction - Or is she, as Andre Brecht once said of himself, "too famous to be banned"?

7/7/81 We got your letter yesterday about all the cooling you've been doing - I can taste those bean & onions now! Yes - we are getting the letters with



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Lesotho photos and it seems everything must be getting through since they arrive fairly regularly. Who else can we send these by? Is K still around? Or directly to your mail box?

Phyl - I don't think Sully could ever blame you for "this awful fate" since that "awful fate" is an expression of the fight for freedom and it's an honor not an awful fate - would she rather be in RSA? No - she's made that clear. Why won't Eng. renew it? Keep the faith - behind all that adolescence is a solid young lady (and not just in the bum!)

Tell Simon I've been worrying about what would happen at the project if he left - so I'm all for his staying.

Who was Mr. Seheri? Name familiar but I can't remember.

Yes Phyllis - how can you pat the finger at US etc when you won't even boycott cigarette (& that tax you mentioned). Do that & regain your credibility! (and health!)

Give our love back to de Michael & tell him I'm still relieved to realize he wasn't Rex!

Phyllis - you didn't say the wedding was colonial's your daughter did!

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Much love,

James Selmon

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→ Live NEAR A NARDOO

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James (his Administrator)