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Dear Phyllis,

I have been wanting to get in touch with you for some time, but the avenues I tried didn't work. Anyway I got your address from Sr. Josephine of Masite, so I felt I should write.

First of all I wanted to say how sorry I am to hear of Jerry Molisane's death. I can't say I knew him very well, but I did meet him several times at Roma, and I know it must be a severe blow to you. I do pray for him and for his wife and son who are bereaved.

Secondly, at a time when the media seem to be talking a lot of nonsense about all sorts of political matters, I wanted to say that I have you very much in my prayers, because I know of your great concern for freedom in this part of the world. And of course it's not only the media. Even though I may not agree with you about everything, the terrible actions of destabilisation carried out by our neighbouring state leave so many of us speechless and sick at heart.

And lastly, I felt I wanted to tell you that I have just written a letter to Michael. I have found it difficult to do it until very recently, because I was still suffering hurt from what I felt were unjust attacks. In a way I was nursing the grievance rather possessively. Recently I felt able to give up this resentment, and realised I must write to keep up contact with Michael, because I felt he must be feeling rather deserted. I cannot go back on what we did to Michael, much as that also causes me hurt, but knowing your great concern for Michael I wanted to share with you what I had done. What I tried to say to Michael was that I am sorry for the hurt I caused him, but appealing to him to realise that he had hurt many people — and through that was hurting himself more than he realised, and also the cause he supports. I pray that he will respond positively.

Forgive me for troubling you because I know you have so many burdens to carry. However my respect for your humanity and sensitivity, as I have seen it in practice, gave me boldness to write. I would have preferred to meet you, and I hope that will be possible some time, but for the present I am going away for a short holiday, so I felt a letter was necessary.

Once again may I assure you of my prayers.

Yours sincerely,

+Donald P. Nestor