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Hi Phyllis!

Gavin is really a full time job! I keep saying I'm going to write - & then either he wakes up or I'm so tired from getting up during the night... No excuse. Paddy who had a baby girl in March wrote to say she, Sarah, sleeps through the night. I'm still optimistic - It's nice to have things to look forward to!

Other than broken sleep, Gavin is a real joy (heard that one before?) He's an active, happy little boy who treats everyone with a smile. I enclose a snapshot at age 4 mos. When we were in UK, Kevin's mother swore he was definitely a Brown though Kevin & I can't decide who he looks like.

We've finally settled here in Nairobi - Kevin just returned from a month in UK taking care of houses, etc. there. The immigration chap at the airport didn't want to let him back in because in Kenyan society, there's no such thing as a male dependent! He gave him a 1-month tourist visa which will hopefully be changed by his employer Cooper & Lybrand who had already obtained his work permit. In any case, he starts work on Monday 4/7, American

independence (I wonder if there's any connection.) as a management consultant/economist. They say 70% of the work is outside Kenya so we'll be lucky to see each other, it seems. - the price of a two career couple...

My job seems as if it has a lot of potential - as it's a newly created post, I get to invest a lot. Sometime from September, I will also start travelling (hopefully at different times from Kevin for Gavin?) I haven't any idea what help we can be, but if there's anything, please let us know.

Lesotho is in the news here, what with Jonathan in the East and the LHA/SA invasions. Wonder what Botha will do once the embassies are opened? We think of you often and hope that all continues to go well for you (relatively speaking, in any case)

I hope to hear from you. If you're ever in Kenya, you'll always have a home, though I know you have many friends here.

Best regards,

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