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The Commissioners,  
The Truth and Reconciliation Commission,  
P.O.Box 3162,  
Capetown. 8000.

Dear Commissioners,

Irene Gale of P.O.Box 51, Kensington Park, S.A 5068, Australia has written to me to enquire if any progress has been made with regard to her enquiry about the death of her husband Jim Gale.

Dear Irene, I reread your letter and find that you have written to Frank Chicane, and Nelson Mnadela. You have not written to the TRC above.

Your letter should request that police officers being interrogated by the TRC should ask if they recall Jim Gale. They should ask Craig Williamson if he knew of anyone who was responsible for Jim's death. Keep information on Jim separate from your letter. Your letter must tell succinctly what you wish from them - your suspicions about Jim's death. Attach a copy of his statement to the UN before he died.

Your circular letter fascinated me (NB change of address) especially your hospital service. AS you know I refused to accept nomination for parliament and have expectation of a 'struggle pension' soon. So we are dependant on state health services and the long wait for treatment is horrendous. Our nurses suffer post liberation trauma- wards are filthy and nurses less than helpfull. The horror of my Sha's hospital when he died I took up. He would have protested their conditions of work/pay but he too was the target of their abuse.

My people who are so anxious to leave the 'horror' of our democracy and want to escape to Australia should be told the horror of your hospitals.

I hope, you and Ron enjoy good health and the family is well. This is a picture I found of my Sha in 1989. We lost Sanna soon thereafter and 6 yrs later my Sha went. Its awful

Love

Phyllis