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I have been following closely the protracted and difficult negotiations for a peaceful settlement in Namibia, which in recent weeks have developed a new and promising momentum. It seems to me that there is now a real possibility of a breakthrough which could at last bring an end to bloodshed and tension. I can assure you that the British Government will continue to do all it can to help towards this outcome.

I know that you have been discussing with General Walters vital aspects of the problems which are still outstanding.

I am convinced that you, Mr. President, and your Government, will show the high statesmanship required to make the wise decisions needed at this crucial moment. I pray that all our endeavours will succeed in bringing to your country a new era of peace, prosperity and cooperation.

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Mayard-Malita

His Excellency President Jose Eduardo dos Santos.