



PRIME MINISTER'S  
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THE PRIME MINISTER

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*Subject on Zambia,  
Nov '79, Visit by  
Pres Kaunda.*

*Dear Kenneth,*

Thank you for your kind letter of 5 May about your State Visit to the United Kingdom. I am sorry that this reply has been a little delayed. My colleagues and I were delighted to see you again and to have the opportunity to exchange views on matters of importance to our two countries.

I fully share your concern about the dangerous situation in Southern Africa. Whilst there are certain things on which we might not agree, such as the effectiveness of mandatory sanctions in bringing about that fundamental reform in South Africa about which we spoke in London, we are at one in condemning the injustices and oppression of South Africa's apartheid policies. The British Government will do all it can to work for peaceful change.

It was most useful to be able to discuss with you the Namibia problem and I share your concern that it has not yet proved possible to implement the UN Plan. As you know, we too consider the issue of Cuban troops in Angola to be outside the scope of Security Council Resolution 435, but we must face the political reality that this aspect is important to South Africa and to the USA. We very much hope that early progress can be made which will permit the implementation of the UN Plan.

It is a matter of great satisfaction to myself and my colleagues that our bilateral relations are on such a firm and

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friendly footing. I am sure our two Governments will continue to work closely together and I look forward to seeing you in New Delhi.

Yours sincerely

Raymond

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His Excellency Dr. Kenneth D. Kaunda