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AT THE SAME TIME, I URGE THAT -- IN OUR JUSTIFIABLE OUTRAGE OVER RECENT EVENTS -- WE NOT LOSE SIGHT OF OUR LONG TERM GOALS IN SOUTH AFRICA AND THE REGION. NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO ABANDON ^{HELPED} ~~TOTALLY~~ THE POLICY OF QUIET DIPLOMACY WHICH HAS ~~MADE~~ ^{BROUGHT} ~~THE~~ ^{US} ~~LEVELS~~ OF VIOLENCE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND ~~BRING~~ US CLOSER TO A SOLUTION ON NAMIBIA. NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO END ALL OF OUR ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IN SOUTH AFRICA, ~~THE MAIN RESULT OF WHICH~~ ^{ONLY} ~~WOULD BE TO~~ LEAVE THOUSANDS OF BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS JOBLESS.

~~WE CONTINUE TO NEED A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY WHICH CAN WORK TO BRING MORE JUSTICE AND MORE PROSPERITY TO ALL THE PEOPLE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.~~

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