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Dear Senator Dole

I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere appreciation for the hospitality you extended to me during my recent visit to Washington.

It was a pleasure for me to make your acquaintance and that of your colleagues. Moreover, I benefited greatly from our discussions, in that I now have a far greater personal understanding of the United States Senate as an institution, and of the important role played by you and your colleagues in setting United States policy in respect of my country.

Since I was in Washington, we have made further progress towards our goal of a fully democratic South Africa. The decision to open National Party membership to South Africans of all races has been ratified by party conventions nationwide, and the State of Emergency in the Province of Natal has been lifted. In addition, the Separate Amenities Act, which mandated segregation of public facilities, has been repealed. The irreversibility of the process of fundamental change is therefore manifesting itself. We will continue to move forward towards the goals I discussed with you.

With the encouragement of Americans and others of good will, I am convinced we will attain a peaceful, prosperous, secure and just society for all South Africans and their children.

Sincerely

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