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Dear Mr. Sobukwe:

Since Crawford Young's letter to you in February there have been favourable developments in our budgetary situation and I am delighted to be in a position to offer you immediate financial support, if you see your way clear to come to this University for work on a Ph.D.

We have the means to pay you at a rate of \$500 per month from now until the end of the 1970-71 academic year (terminating in June 1971). During the next three months your duties would be solely assisting us prepare for a summer institute in Afro-American and African studies which we will be holding here this year for college teachers who want to increase their ability to teach courses concerned with African and Afro-American studies. During July and August we would want you to teach one of the courses offered at this Institute and would pay you at a rate of \$1,220 per month. From September 1970 to June 1971 you would have no duties of any kind and would receive a fellowship from this African Studies Program for \$340 per month, out of which you would have to pay in-state tuition of \$263 per semester or (\$59.00 per month). This is the maximum that can be paid on a fellowship at this University. Your salary for July and August added to this gives an average of \$500 per month from July 1970 to June 1971. We expect by June 1971 you would have support from other sources in the University--such as a teaching or research assistantship in the Department of African Languages and Literature or a National Defense Education Act Fellowship--for which you are not eligible at the moment because the deadline for these competitions (January 15) is now past.

We have worked out arrangements for your fare to this country and will be in touch about that shortly.

The fellowship portion of this offer is contingent on your admission to Graduate School here, but that is almost certainly assured once the forms Crawford Young sent you come in. The chairman of the Department of African Languages and Literature tells me they would enthusiastically admit you, and on the basis of your vitae the admissions secretary of Graduate School informs me she thinks you will certainly be admitted once the application forms, official transcripts or diplomas, and letters of recommendation are in her hands. However, your work for us in developing materials for the summer institute from now until June, and your teaching in the institute during the summer are not in any way dependent upon admission to the Graduate School, so I would encourage you to make plans to come here as soon as convenient and not wait for notification of admission to Graduate School.

Mr. R. M. Sobukwe


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If you are able to accept this offer I will be writing you covering details of what your duties in that connection with the summer institute would be.

Let me say that the members of our African Studies Program are delighted that there is a possibility you will be coming to this University. We very much hope you will be able to accept this offer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marvin P. Miracle". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Marvin P. Miracle

Chairman

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