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Dear Jacob

It was a great pleasure to speak to you tonight after all these long years. As I told you, I have been working on a book about Robert Mangaliso Sobukwe, and I would be most grateful if you could give me some information about your history in the PAC.

As arranged, I am enclosing a blank tape. You can speak into it and return it to me, or write out your answers - whichever is best for you.

These are the questions which I hope you will answer:

1. On Monday, March 21, 1960, at Orlando police station - at what time were you arrested? Were you arrested before or after getting news about the shooting at Sharpeville? How much news did you get about Sharpeville that day? What was your reaction to the news? What was Prof's reaction?
2. When you were sentenced on May 3, 1960 to jail, were you shocked at the length of the sentences? Was Prof shocked? Did you people think you would get far shorter sentences?
3. What happened immediately you were sentenced? Did the attitude of the warders - whites and blacks - at The Fort change towards you? To which prison were you taken from The Fort? Where was this prison? Was Prof with you? How many of you were together? For how long were you there? Were you given any psychological testing there?
4. After this prison, where were you taken next? Why were you moved? Was it to Blue Skies? For how long were you there? Why were you moved from Blue Skies? And then to Stofberg? For how long were you in Stofberg? And then to Witbank? Why were you moved? And then to Pretoria?
5. Can you answer the following questions about each one of the prisons: What clothes were you given? Was the clothing clean? Was it torn? Did you have long trousers or tsotsi pants? Did you have socks and shoes or rubber sandals? Did you have a jersey? How many of you in a cell? How did you sleep? On mats on the concrete floor? Did you have enough blankets? Was it cold in winter? What was the food like? Did you have anything to read? Did you see the warders hit anyone? Did they ever hit

PAC men? Was Prof still keeping up leadership of the PAC from prison? How did he do it? Was he sending and receiving messages? How?

6. There was trouble at Stofberg with the warders; can you describe exactly what happened, step by step? Were you hit by warders? Was Prof hit?

7. Did you and Prof and the other PAC men discuss the issue of violence while you were in prison? If so, what was your discussion and what did you decide?

8. Any other points?

That's a lot of questions! I hope you will not mind my throwing them at you and I look forward to hearing from you.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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