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Prime Minister
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11 October 1985

Dear Charles,

CHOGM: Attendance By National Representatives

You may like to be aware that, as on past occasions, there will be a number of nationalist leaders present in Nassau at the time of the CHOGM, who will seek to draw attention to their causes. Three of whom we are aware are:

Sam Nujoma

President of the South West African People's Organisation (SWAPO)

Yann Celene Uregei

so-called Vice-President and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the "Kanak Republic" (FLNKS) - New Caledonia

Oliver Tambo

President of the African National Congress (ANC) - South Africa (with other members of the ANC delegation).

None of these people should, of course, attend any of the formal sessions at CHOGM, as it is clearly established Commonwealth practice that these are open only to the representatives of fully independent states. They will, however, be mingling in the margins and it is possible that one or other may try to contact the Prime Minister or other members of the delegation between sessions.

As the Prime Minister knows, Sam Nujoma has been present at several previous CHOGMS. Mr Uregei is accompanying the Vanuatu delegation (at the invitation of Prime Minister Lini) to both the UNGA and the CHOGM. Lini is determined to press the Kanak case before world opinion and at suitable international fora.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Michael Start (Cabinet Office).

Yours ever,

Colin Budd

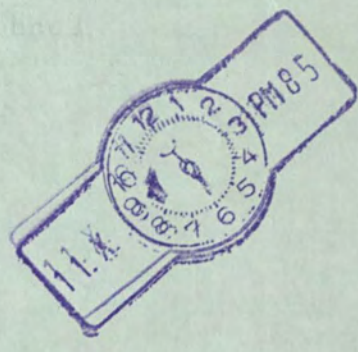
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From the Private Secretary

13 October 1985

Dear Peter,

CHOGM: ATTENDANCE BY THE ANC

The Prime Minister has noted Lusaka telegram number 427 reporting that Oliver Tambo will be "present at CHOGM". Colin Budd's letter of 11 October makes clear that a number of nationalist leaders will be present in Nassau at the time of CHOGM, but not involved in any of its meetings. The Prime Minister would like to be sure that it is not the intention to invite Tambo or other nationalist leaders to any CHOGM functions. Perhaps John Johnson could explore intentions on this at the preliminary meeting of senior officials.

*Yours sincerely,
Colin Budd*

Charles Powell

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*Prime Minister
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CHOGM: ATTENDANCE BY THE ANC

1. I WAS TOLD LAST NIGHT (BUT PERHAPS YOU KNOW THIS ALREADY) BY THABO MBEKI THAT OLIVER TAMBO AND AN ANC DELEGATION WILL BE PRESENT AT CHOGM AT THE PERSONAL INVITATION OF MR PINDLING AND WITH THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF RAMPHAL. TAMBO WILL FLY DIRECT FROM ADDIS AND WILL NOT TRAVEL WITH KAUNDA'S PARTY AS HE IS FIRST VISITING CUBA BEFORE ARRIVING IN NASSAU.

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*Present at
CHOGM? -
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just visit
Non-Communist
Members to
CHOGM functions
Who he visits to
in his office
but not to
CHOGM*

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