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Dear Ms Ramdhani

On behalf of British Aerospace, I take great pleasure in confirming the Post-graduate Student Bursary as discussed at our meeting on Friday. This bursary will allow a doctoral thesis to be written on the history of the ANC.

This opportunity has been brought about by the opening of the ANC Archives and will allow a section of South African history that has yet to be formally documented and integrated, to take its rightful place in the annals of our nation. We believe this project will be to the ultimate benefit of all South Africans as a true reference work on the importance of the ANC role in forging South African history.

A sum of R200 000 -00 has been set aside for this project. This will permit a 3 year resident post-graduate study period at Fort Hare, including some 6 research trips abroad. While the finer details have yet to be clarified, the monies will be disbursed on an annual basis as the need arises over the three-year period of the project. The fund will be administered by Osprey within accepted bursary guidelines.

I look forward to attending the inauguration of the Archives at Fort Hare on 17 March, being such an historic and important occasion. I wish to thank you for arranging for me

to meet with President Mandela and Deputy President Mbeki on Sunday, in order that I may brief them more fully on this project.

I am also looking forward to meeting the members of your Archives Committee and would suggest that Sunday would also provide a useful opportunity to meet with the Committee Chairperson, Dr Frene Ginwala, to review the proposed mechanism for the selection of the candidate to be awarded this bursary.

Yours sincerely



Richard J Charter
Executive Chairman