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MY TELNO 387 (NOT TO ALL): CANADA AND SOUTH AFRICA

SUMMARY

1. CANADA'S NEW RESTRICTIVE MEASURES WERE DULY ANNOUNCED BY MR CLARK ON 6 JULY. THEY AMOUNT MORE TO A SYMBOLIC GESTURE THAN AN IMPORTANT TIGHTENING OF THE SCREW, AND HAVE BEEN SEEN IN THAT LIGHT BY THE PRESS. FURTHER STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN DUE COURSE. FULL TEXT OF MR CLARK'S STATEMENT FOLLOWS BY BAG.

DETAIL

- 2. THE NEW MEASURES ARE AS FOLLOWS:-
  - A) STRENGTHEN THE VOLUNTARY CODE OF CONDUCT(EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES) FOR COMPANIES OPERATING IN SOUTH AFRICA. (APPOINTING AN INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE CODE: STANDARD REPORTING FORMAT: ALL CANADIAN COMPANIES OPERATING IN SOUTH AFRICA TO ISSUE ANNUAL REPORTS ON THEIR INVOLVEMENT).
  - B) TIGHTEN ARMS EXPORT EMBARGO BY RESTRICTIONS ON EXPORT OF SENSITIVE EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS COMPUTERS, TO SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE, ARMED FORCES AND AGENCIES ENFORCING APARTHEID:
  - C) A BAN ON ARMS IMPORTS FROM SOUTH AFRICA:
  - D) ABROGATION OF THE CANADA-SOUTH AFRICA DOUBLE TAXATION AGREEMENTS:



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E) THE PROGRAMME FOR EXPORT MARKET DEVELOPMENT WILL NO LONGER ASSIST CANADIAN COMPANIES SEEKING TO EXPAND THEIR MARKETS IN SOUTH AFRICA:

F) AN END TO INVESTMENT INSURANCE FROM OTTAWA'S EXPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR PROJECTS IN SOUTH AFRICA:

G) REAFFIRMATION OF BACKING FOR THE BOYCOTT ON SPORTING CONTACTS BETWEEN NATIONALLY-REPRESENTATIVE ATHLETES:

H) AN END TO ALL TOLL-PROCESSING OF NAMIBIAN URANIUM FOR THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES ONCE EXISTING CONTRACTS WITH THE CROWN CORPORATION, ELDORADO NUCLEAR LTD EXPIRE:

I) DISCOURAGING CANADIANS FROM BUYING AND SELLING KRUGERRANDS:

J) CLOSER MONITORING OF CONTACTS BETWEEN CANADIAN FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES AND THEIR SOUTH AFRICAN COUNTERPARTS:

K) THE APPOINTMENT OF AN OFFICER TO THE CANADIAN EMBASSY IN SOUTH AFRICA TO MONITOR LABOUR AFFAIRS:

L) A SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN FEDERAL FUNDING FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN SOUTH AFRICA AND CANADA FOR SOUTH AFRICAN BLACKS. FIVE MILLION DOLLARS CANADIAN WILL BE AVAILABLE OVER FIVE YEARS.

3. MR CLARK SAID THAT THESE MEASURES WERE THE FIRST STEP OF A CONTINUING PROCESS. THE GOVERNMENT WOULD:

A) CONTINUE TO REVIEW CANADIAN POLICY TOWARDS SOUTH AFRICA IN CONSULTATION WITH THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS:

B) DISCUSS CHOICES OF ACTION WITH CLOSE FRIENDS AND ALLIES EG IN THE CONTEXT OF CHOGM:

C) DETERMINE A COURSE OF ACTION ON THE BASIS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

4. ANTI-APARTHEID GROUPS IN CANADA HAVE EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT AND FIND THE MEASURES INSUFFICIENTLY SEVERE. ONE GROUP SEES THE ANNOUNCEMENT AS AN ATTEMPT TO DEMONSTRATE INDEPENDENCE FROM THE US FOR DOMESTIC REASONS, RATHER THAN A SERIOUS STAND AGAINST APARTHEID.

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