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(301) 962-4531The Honorable George W. Crockett, Jr.
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear George:

In light of the growing concern over the worsening situation in South Africa, I am planning to hold a briefing to examine various aspects of South Africa's current state of affairs. The briefing will be entitled: South Africa and The Congress--An Update.

Knowing of your concern over this issue, I am writing with hopes that you will consider participating in this briefing. The briefing will be held on March 26, 1986 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., on level G, in Room 26-B of the George Fallon Federal Building in Baltimore. I anticipate heavy press coverage and an audience attendance of about 200 people.

The format of the briefing will include two one-hour presentations by a panel of six, followed by a question and answer period between each session. Each panel member will be expected to give a 15 minute presentation during the briefing which will focus on six critical areas:

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| 1. The state of unrest, | 4. Pending legislation, |
| 2. U.S.-Southern Africa policy, | 5. Botha's conciliatory measures, |
| 3. Economics: sanctions and support, | 6. Finding a peaceful solution. |

I have informed Chairman Fascell of my intentions to hold the briefing and to request participation by you and certain members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. I urge your participation and ask that you please immediately inform my office of your decision.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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