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EXTRADITION : ROBERT OLIVER HILL : FRAUD

- 1 Further to my previous fax messages, I have had intensive discussions with the British authorities in respect of the above matter. The British authorities sees this case as a golden opportunity to test their new extradition act in respect of countries with which they have no extradition treaties.
- In previous cases of this nature, co-operation existed between the British Metropolitan Police and the South African Police. A number of "deportations" were effected on the basis of one Police force to another.
- 3 The following procedure were put forward to the South African Embassy during an unofficial discussion.
 - a A formal request for extradition to be formulated by the South African authorities and presented by the South African Embassy to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in the United Kingdom.
 - b A basic resumé of the case (which I have in my possession as received from the Attorney General of the Witwatersrand).

- The request must refer to section 15 of the British Extradition Act 1989. This section allows for ad-hoc extradition on a case by case basis, where no extradition treaty exists between the United Kingdom and the requesting country. A copy of this act was supplied by DCI A Wright of New Scotland Yard Extradition Squad to the South African Police Legal Section and Lt Col Venter at S A Police HQ in March 1991.
- d In discussion with Mr P Goldsmith of the Home Office in the United Kingdom, the latter assured that all assistance would be rendered and that such an application from South Africa would be favourably considered. The crime was also non political, similar to and recognized by British Law and also involved a foreign national. It was also viewed that this type of request would be regarded as from one Government to another and that members of the Metpol would not be out on a limb for the sake of good Police relations.

Yours sincerely

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