

Jamaica.
March 19, 1987

Dear Mr. Balcombe,

Your letter of February 20, with enclosures, has been forwarded to me by the Farquharson literary agency (which, incidentally, no longer looks after my business. Fabers now takes care of that.)

As you can see from the address it is not possible to drop in for tea, but the invitation and the thought behind it are greatly appreciated.

Your letter and the newspaper cuttings of the time brought back very strongly long-forgotten memories of how it was forty-five years ago in a war-torn world when we were young and hopes and dreams were strong. I thought I had forgotten it all but your letter revived old memories. Thank you. And thank you for the cheque which I hope makes you feel better.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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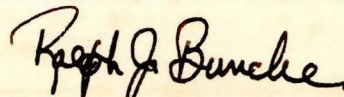
Dear Mr. Abrahams,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 15 October in which you express your interest in obtaining a position with Unesco.

Unfortunately, I am not in position to say whether Unesco is recruiting personnel or whether they are in need of persons with your qualifications. For this reason I would suggest that you write to Unesco directly. I am sorry that I cannot be more helpful.

As to the possibility of my visiting England in December, nothing is definite as yet owing to the pressure of my official responsibilities here.

Sincerely yours,



Ralph J. Bunche
Director
Department of Trusteeship

Mr. Peter Abrahams
37 Jessel Drive
Loughton
Essex, England

37 Jessel Drive,
Loughton,
Essex.
England.

October 15, 1953.

Dear Ralph Bunche,

I have been asking around about the possibilities of getting a job with Unesco and George Ivan Smith, U.N. information director over here said that although he was willing to help all he could he thought it might prove more effective to get in touch with you direct.

As a South African my greatest interest is, of course, to work for the resolution of the Union's racial problems. But with things as they are at the moment there seems very little I can do beyond the writing of my books. Whether any more can be done through the U.N. is something you might be able to tell me.

I am anxious to do as useful a job as possible in the field of race relations in any of the underdeveloped countries of the world. Do you think Unesco could use me in its Press, Information or Research sections? And if you think it can, will you help me get there?

Stella Alexander of the United Nations Association tells me there is just a possibility that you might be over here in December. I could see you then if you feel there is any chance of something being done.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Abrahams.

Peter Abrahams

Dr. Ralph Bunche,
United Nations Headquarters,
Lake Success,
New York. N.Y.
United States.

JACK BARNETT

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TELEPHONE

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55 HOUT ST.,

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13th. February, 1957.

Mr. Peter Abrahams,
c/o Messrs. Faber & Faber Ltd.,
21 Russell Street,
LONDON, W.C.1.

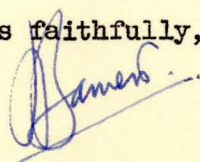
Dear Mr. Abrahams,

The Defence Fund set up to aid the families of the defendants in the present "treason trial" in South Africa, is approaching distinguished writers throughout the world, each for a signed copy of one of their works with a view to aiding the fund raising drive. I enclose a copy of the statement issued on the launching of the fund with a list of some of the sponsors.

On behalf of the Western Cape section of the fund of whose committee I am a member, may I say how much we would appreciate your sending us an autographed copy of one of your works to aid our cause.

Thank you,

Yours faithfully,



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"A large number of people have been arrested on allegations of treason. The majority are prominent members of Non-White political organisations.

"It is not within our province to express an opinion on the guilt or innocence of the persons charged with committing this grave crime. We believe, however, in view of the unique significance of the impending trials, that all the accused should be able to secure the best legal representation available.

"We also believe that during the course of what probably will be lengthy proceedings, the families and dependants of the accused should be protected from hardship and suffering.

"We have decided, therefore, to sponsor a defence fund for the purpose of raising money to pay the legal costs of defence, to offer bail, and to support those dependants of the accused who may be in need.

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THE HOTEL FLAMINGO

3 TREVENNION PARK ROAD,

KINGSTON 5

23rd March, 1960.

Dear Peter Abrahams,

This is just a line to say how much I enjoyed meeting you yesterday — I am awfully sorry my stay was so short, tantalisingly so.

I am pretty sure we shall meet again soon. Meantime, if there is anything you think we ought to do, in London, — such as meeting any of your people who come over, — please write to me, c/o Borden in London; we'd be delighted to help in any way we can.

PHONES 67654 & 67618
CABLES: FLAMINGO, JAMAICA

THE HOTEL FLAMINGO

3 TREVENNION PARK ROAD,

KINGSTON 5

All best wishes; I hope meet
you I look forward ever more
to my W.I. Economists!

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan S. Borzell.

UWI Libraries

20th March, 1962.

The Manager,
Cable & Wireless (W.I.) Ltd.,
9 East Parade,
Kingston.

Dear Sir,

There are times when I have to send urgent cables abroad at short notice. Frequently this happens at weekends and since I live quite a distance out of Kingston I should be grateful if you would facilitate this by making it possible for me to telephone in such cables. I am not sure what the correct procedure is. I would be grateful for your guidance.

Yours sincerely,



Peter Abrahams.

PA/ul.

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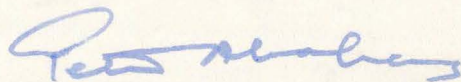
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Sirs,

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If you do have such buckets I
would like to order half a dozen.

Yours faithfully,



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June 19th, 1962.

Mr. Peter Abrahams,
Cooper's Hill,
Red Hills, P.O.

Dear Mr. Abrahams,

When you first came to Jamaica you rented a car from me and you have since kindly sent your friends to us, but as I have sold out Cotter's Rent-a-car and I am now interested in a Company being operated by my son-in-law, David Squire, trading as "JAMAICA RENT-A-CAR", I would appreciate if you would pass some of your business to him.

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of your former support, goodwill and friendship, and trust we will again have the pleasure of serving you.

Very truly yours,

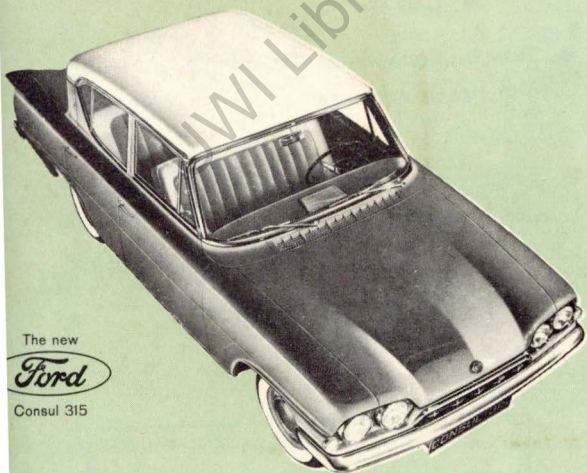
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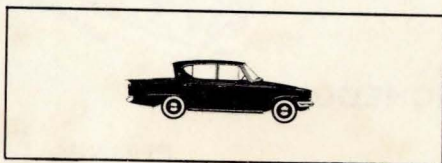
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3rd Dec. 1962

My dear Peter,

Miss Gordon will tell you that I have done my best regarding her little girl, Jennifer. Mr Dudley Sutar is manager of the school and I strongly suggest that you communicate with him. From what Miss Gordon tells me Mr Sutar is the best person to take over at this stage. Mr. Sutar is to be found at the Prime Minister's Office. Office Telephone 5185 Home Telephone 224183.

Yours very sincerely,
R.O.C.



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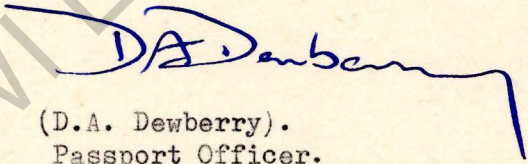
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Dear Mr. Abrahams,

I am writing to acknowledge your letter of 12 July about your daughter Anne.

I will let you know if and when she makes another attempt to obtain a British passport.

Yours sincerely,


(D.A. Dewberry).
Passport Officer.

P. Abrahams Esq,
"Coyaba",
Red Hills Post Office,
ST. ANDREW.

TELEPHONE 34-1995.

P. O. BOX 590,
JOHANNESBURG.

9th February, 1960.

Dear Mr. Abrahams,

Although I have not as yet had the pleasure of making your acquaintance I write to ask you a favour, which I trust you will not mind.

I have acquired a copy of your book "A Wreath for Udomo" which I have read with keen interest and appreciation. Since I relinquished the High Commissionership in London in 1950 I have developed as a hobby the collection of a small library of author-autographed books, particularly of those with an African interest. I should like to be able to include your book amongst those inscribed by the author in my library, and should accordingly be very grateful if you could send me on an appropriate piece of paper a signed inscription which I could paste in on the flyleaf of my copy.

With apologies for bothering you and thanking you in anticipation of your help.

Yours truly,
Leif Egeland

Pieter Abrahams Esq.,
c/o. Faber & Faber,
LONDON.
ENGLAND.

KINGSTON 22692
STONY HILL 302

70 BARRY STREET
KINGSTON.
JAMAICA W.I.

30th March, 1960.

Peter Abrahams Esq.,
Managing Editor,
The West Indian Economist,
164-166 Harbour Street,
Kingston.

Dear Peter,

John Hobson M.P Recorder of Northampton (Tory) is coming here as a fraternal delegate from the English Bar for the meeting in April of the West Indies Bar Association. He is vice-chairman of the Commonwealth committee of "Justice" which is the British Section of the International Committee of Jurists who held a big meeting in New Delhi last year.

There will be a resolution before the meeting which reads "Whether the General Council of the Bar of the West Indies should actively promote a West Indies Section of the International Commission of Jurists and if yes whether the same should be affiliated to JUSTICE (the British section of the International Commission of Jurists) or to the International Commission itself."

Yours sincerely,


Peter Evans.

PE/l.s.

16th March, 1962.

Mr. Green,
Accounts Department,
K.S.A.C.,
Kingston.

Dear Sir,

Would you kindly note that your cobra drill was used at my premises by your operator between the hours of 11.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. on one day only on the 12th of February, 1962. On that date I drew to your account a cheque for Three Pounds, Ten Shillings (£3.10.). As the drill was not used for a full day I should be grateful if you would refund the money due to me. ~~In the xxxxxxxxxx
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Yours sincerely,

PA/ul.

Peter Abrahams.

3rd February, 1961.

Mr. Geoffrey A. Gunter,
The Shell Co. (West Indies) Ltd.,
P.O. Box 394,
KINGSTON.

Dear Sir,

Ref: CON.84/CS.76/G.

With reference to the above we want to thank you most sincerely for the copy of the Right Hon. Lord Shawcross paper entitled "The Promotion and Protection of Foreign Private Investments".

Mr. Abrahams feels that this is very valuable material and will be grateful for any future consideration in this respect.

Thanks again.

Cordially yours,

Peter Abrahams.

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BENTLEY'S SECOND PHRASE.

Wednesday,
15th August 1962.

My dear Peter,

I have just read a very interesting and (I thought) moving article by Kenneth Allsop in the Daily Mail based on a conversation with you.

It so happened that it coincided with my looking in my horrid little book and seeing that I had a rain check to come and see you when I am next in Jamaica. Therefore, the name Abrahams was uppermost in my mind. It doesn't look as if I will be in Jamaica until early next year, but I couldn't let the occasion pass without writing and saying how much I enjoyed the article, and how much I look forward to seeing you next time I am in Jamaica.

With best wishes,

Yours ever,

Tony Hugui

Peter Abrahams Esq.,
164-166 Harbour Street,
Kingston,
Jamaica,
The West Indies.

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September 29, 1955

MRS. MOLLIE HUSTON LEE
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Mr. Peter Abrahams
C/O Chief Minister's Office
Kingston, Jamaica, B. W. I.

Dear Mr. Abrahams:

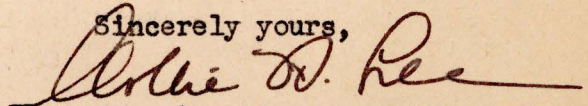
We are delighted to know that you will be able to come and help us to celebrate our 20th Anniversary. Would the date Tuesday, November 29, 1955 be convenient?

Now the next question concerns us very much because we are operating on a very low budget. What is your fee for appearing? Your round trip fare, railroad first class, from New York to Raleigh is \$45.00. We will, of course, pay that and your expenses while in Raleigh. Every effort will be made to get you another appearance in this vicinity while you are here. Your immediate answer will be appreciated because that will depend on whether or not we can afford to invite you.

Any subject on Africa will interest us.

Hoping that we will be able to meet soon, I am

Sincerely yours,



(Mrs.) Mollie Huston Lee

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18th September 1956.

P.H. Abrahams, Esq.,
37, Jessel Drive,
Loughton,
Essex.

Private

Dear Mr. Abrahams,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 14th September and for confirming my impression regarding the advance payment of £100. I am writing to the Inspector concerning this and I am advising him that we are prepared to accept an allowance of £10 in respect of the tropical clothes which you purchased for the Caribbean journey.

I am also advising the Inspector of Taxes of your plans for taking up residence in Jamaica. In all the circumstances, and if the Revenue Authorities agree that as from the 25th September you will relinquish your residence in this country, it is more than probable that there will be no United Kingdom Income Tax liability for 1956/57, so that the question of your clothing allowance and the Colonial Office advance will not in any way affect your general taxation position.

I should explain, however, that the Inland Revenue will delay final determination concerning your non-residence status for a period of probably about eighteen months in order that, in the event of your returning to this country within that period, they might, if they felt so inclined, take the view that you had not established your status as a non-resident but that you had merely gone abroad for temporary purpose. Assuming that you and your family do maintain a home in Jamaica for the next year or so, I think you can take it that under the Double Tax Agreement your royalty income would

P.H.Abrahams, Esq.

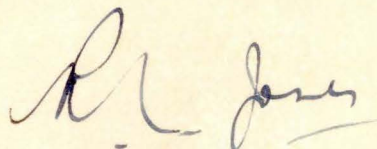
18th September 1956.

be exempt from liability to United Kingdom tax. There is not, at present, any necessity to sign any official forms in order to establish the fact that you are becoming non-resident, but in due course the Inland Revenue Authorities here will require a certificate from the Jamaican Authorities that you are treated as resident in Jamaica and that you do in fact pay Jamaican tax on your literary royalties and any other income arising. However, as I have said, I am explaining the position to the Inspector of Taxes and will keep you advised concerning any developments which arise as a result of my letter.

Needless to say, we shall be extremely sorry to lose you as a client, but I do most sincerely send you my very best wishes for the success of your new appointment and I hope that you and your family will be very happy in your new home in the Caribbean.

All best wishes,

Yours sincerely,



JAMAICA YOUTH CORPS,

29 Beechwood Avenue,

Kingston 5.

ANY REPLY OR SUBSEQUENT REFERENCE
TO THIS COMMUNICATION SHOULD BE
ADDRESSED TO THE JAMAICA YOUTH
CORPS AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE
QUOTED:-

No. _____

7th August, 1959.

Mr. Peter Abrahams,
Editor, West Indian Economist,
164 Harbour Street,
KINGSTON.

My dear Peter,

Greetings. I hope that you and yours are well.

Please pardon my apparent tardiness in sending you this long overdue letter. Camp Leaving Ceremonies and the Elections kept me on the run. Yes Peter, I must apologise for not getting in touch with you since we should have met in committee with Hal and Wyatt. A decision was taken to give City Printery the job and they gave us an undertaking to have the job completed by Wednesday 22nd July. With the help of both Hal and Wyatt they did it. I did not ring you and ask for help as you did not desire to have anything to do with City Printery.

Everybody seems to be quite happy about the Magazine and most people do not believe it was done in a rush.

I am extremely grateful to you for the invaluable help given. The idea of the boys doing most articles and the Message from Mrs. Allfrey came from you.

I am now at Chestervale Camp so you will soon get a call from me.

Accept best wishes. More anon.

Yours very sincerely,


V.H. Lawrence.

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DR. M. REGINALD LYN

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Per *M R Lyn*.....

16th March, 1962.

PERSONAL

Mr. Louis Martin, Deputy Chairman,
Democratic National Committee,
1730 K. Street, N.W.,
Washington 6, D.C.,
U.S.A.

Dear Louis Martin,

Sir Robert Kirkwood is the chairman of both the Jamaica Sugar Manufacturers' Association and the West Indies Sugar Manufacturers' Association and he is now in Washington to try and put through a barter deal for our sugar with the United States Government. Sugar, as you know, is still a key factor in the Jamaican economy both as a major contributor to the National income as well as the largest single employer of labour.

We are all therefore, very concerned about the outcome of Kirkwood's current negotiations in which he has the full blessings of the Jamaican Government. I thought it would be a good idea for him to meet you and have a talk and I have given him your name and number. This is just to put you in the picture if you get a call from a very English gentleman.

With warmest personal regards

Yours sincerely,

PA

Peter Abrahams.

PA/ul.

DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE

1730 K STREET, N.W.

WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

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12 • N. Y. AMSTERDAM NEWS, Sat., May 13, 1961

NEW YORK Amsterdam News

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The First 100 Days

We can't ever before recall publishing a political release in its entirety.

But there is a political release on our desk from the Publicity Division of the Democratic National Committee in Washington, D. C., concerning the first 100 days of the Kennedy administration.

We have gone over this release carefully and we believe that every word in it is the truth.

And what is more, it is such a positive beautiful truth that we feel, that despite its political implications, we would be remiss in our calling if we failed to publish it.

We therefore publish it herewith, word for word.

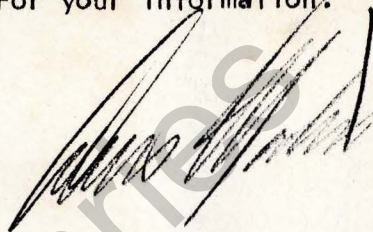
The swift, vigorous drive of President John F. Kennedy against racial discrimination inside and outside of the Federal government in the first 100 days of his Administration has no parallel in recent history.

The President's actions against racism have affected a broad range of Federal activities. He has issued directives against racial discrimination covering Federal employee recreational activities, Federal contracts with private industry, national parks and facilities, the Civil War Centennial, etc.

In establishing the new Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity, the President arranged to meet with leaders of industry and organized labor in order to tell them personally of his insistence on compliance. The President has made it plain that he intends the moral prestige of the Presidency will be used along with executive action in the battle against discrimination.

The President has given full support to the Attorney General in a frontal attack by the Justice Department on racial barriers to voting and on segregated school systems.

For your information.



Louis Martin
Deputy Chairman

Outlined below are some of the highlights of Civil Rights action during the first 100 days of the Administration:

I. Executive Actions and Pronouncements by the President

(1) March 7, 1961 — Executive Order 10923, establishing the President's Committee on Equal Employment Opportunity.

(2) March 25, 1961 — Presidential message to the Third Annual Conference on Problems of Schools in Transition from the Educator's Viewpoint, held by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights in Williamsburg, Virginia.

(3) April 11, 1961 — Remarks to first meeting of Equal Employment Opportunity Committee. "All of us agree that Federal money should not be spent in any way which encourages discrimination, but rather should be spent in such a way that it encourages the national goal of equal opportunity."

(4) April 18, 1961 — White House memorandum directing all Executive Departments and Agencies to cease sponsorship of any discriminatory employee recreational activities.

(5) Directive to the Civil War Centennial Commission to avoid use of segregated facilities and accommodations in connection with its activities.

(6) Directive to establish regular series of White House meetings for Department and Agency representatives on civil rights problems.

II. Department and Agency Action as a Result of Presidential Leadership

(1) March 7, 1961 — Treasury Secretary Dillon directed his personnel and employment officials to initiate a broader hiring and promotion program for qualified members of minority groups.

(2) March 14, 1961 — Attorney General Robert Kennedy pledged that the Justice Department would move "strongly and vigorously" in the field of civil rights.

(3) March 20, 1961 — Interior Secretary Stewart L. Udall issued a special anti-discrimination regulation that would apply to the usage of national parks. This regulation was referred to in a letter to Mr.

George Preston Marshall in connection with the lease of the new football stadium in the District of Columbia.

(4) March 27, 1961 — Defense Secretary Robert L. McNamara ordered "intensified" efforts throughout the Pentagon and Armed Forces to assure that Negroes and other minority groups are given equal employment opportunities.

(5) March 8, 1961 — Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman was reported to be exploring ways to end segregation in the Agricultural Extension Service.

(6) April 1, 1961 — Vice President Johnson directed all Government Department Heads to report promptly on their plans and recommendations for ending discrimination in Federal jobs and contracts.

(7) April 1, 1961 — Commerce Secretary Hodges said "Let no man or woman in this Department ever feel that his talents and his qualifications will be measured by the color of his skin, or the faith he practices."

(8) April 1 and 2, 1961 — The Department of Labor was reported looking closely at segregation practices involving programs of the United States Employment Service and the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training in order to determine what action could be taken to end such practices.

(9) April 5, 1961 — Secretary of Interior Stewart L. Udall instructed all of his bureaus and offices to eliminate any vestiges of discrimination in their employment and promotion policies.

(10) April 10, 1961 — Postmaster General Day announced that all advertisements for bids to construct postal facilities "must contain a clause barring discrimination on grounds of race, color or religion." All leases must also include a similar clause.

(11) Civil Service Commission and a number of departments started extensive programs to recruit qualified Negroes for Federal employment.

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Peter Abrahams,
Jamaica,
H.M.S.O.,
1957

GLENHARLIN
HOGGARTH HILL
BURNISTON
Nr. Scarborough,
Yorkshire,

Dear Sir

I would be very grateful if you would send me
any information, and pictures, of Jamaica you may have,
to the above address.

Yours Faithfully
Dianne McKie (Miss)

Coyaba
Red Hills P.O. Box 20
St Andrew
Jamaica W1



Peter Abrahams
c/o ~~Ms. Laura McNeil~~
~~Faber and Faber Ltd~~
~~3 Queen Square~~
~~London~~
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7 HART ST,
MO BAY
29-11-77.

Mr. J. P. Abraham,
c/o R. J. K.
33 Lynhurst Rd.
Kf. 5.

Dear Sir,

Thank you very much for your copy of Penthouse Magazine article entitled "Murder as Usual". Indeed it was a sinister plot both to kill our Prime Minister and to wreck Jamaica, so as to turn back the progressive forces of his own loved island.

Let me had to stop and think how far will these evil people go & do to obtain their desires. My answer is a far way, if we let them. I can only hope that all well thinking Jamaicans will not let them.

Believe me Peter there is no place on this planet I love like J.A.
Let's hope too that the Security Forces will do all in his power to protect the lives not of the Prime Minister alone. Though that is paramount, but all Jamaicans as well.
Once again many thanks.

Sincerely,
Leo Newton

CLARENCE WISEMAN

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November 1, 1976

Mrs. D.E. Abrahams
Coyaba, Red Hills P.O.
St. Andrew

Dear Mrs. Abrahams:

Re: YOUR DAUGHTER - NAOMI RUTH ABRAHAMS

We received a letter on October 20th from our Investigation Department in London, England, in which they acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated September 21st, 1976.

They would like you to be assured that they are giving you enquiry their best attention. We hope their efforts will be successful and you will be notified as soon as we receive word.

May God bless you.

Yours sincerely,

Dorothy A. Purser
Lt.-Colonel
CHIEF SECRETARY

27th August, 1962.

Mr. Taylor,
Stanley Motta Ltd.,
Harbour Street,
Kingston.

Dear Mr. Taylor,

I am sending you my Grampian tuner by bearer and I should be grateful if you will get your Service Department to check it at the same time that they are checking my amplifier. I tried to connect this over the weekend and the result was that I blew at least one tube. Please also check the cord that leads from the tuner to the amplifier. You will see that it is taped at one point, I am not too happy about this.

Yours faithfully,

Peter Abrahams.

September 14, 1964

Dear Miss Sukerman,

I enclose herewith a bill from the Dramatists Guild showing that I owe them a total of \$48 in subscription arrears. I would be most grateful if you would pay this for me. I am sure they must think that I have decided to rat on my dues payments. The trouble is that it is very complicated and tedious to get dollar orders here and it becomes a bore when it is for such relatively small sums.

Of course, I would much rather have my membership with the branch where I rightfully belong: I'm a writer and not a dramatist (even by association) so I would much rather with the Writers Guild. Perhaps you will pass this on to the appropriate people when you make the payment on my behalf.

Perhaps you could make this dues payment a standing thing.

With best regards.

Yours sincerely

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14th September, 1964

Peter Abrahams, Esq.,
Coyaba,
Red Hills P.O.,
St. Andrew,
Jamaica.

Dear Peter,

Your letter of August 25 arrived in B.G. just after I left for a short holiday, and has been forwarded to me in London.

Since my files are in Georgetown, I cannot be certain about the details of the debts listed by the liquidator of the West Indian Economist. But I do know that Aaron sent me a copy of the final accounts earlier this year, and that Bookers have paid their share; and I am pretty sure that the amount owing to you for salary was included in the list of debtors. I am therefore copying this letter to my Secretary in Georgetown, and am asking her to let you know (a) what amount is shown by the liquidator as owing to you, and (b) the date on which we (Bookers) remitted our share of the final account to Jamaica. When you have this information I suggest you get in touch with Aaron, or with Heron, and press firmly for payment: and let me know if there is any further difficulty.

I am so glad to hear that you have a new book coming in the Spring, and I shall watch for it with interest. Meanwhile, I hope we may meet later this year, since I expect to be in Jamaica for a few days in December, for the selection committee of the Caribbean Rhodes Scholarship.

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I shall be here, on and off, until
October 12, when I go to Canada for a few days,
returning to B.G. on October 17.

Yours ever,

Tom

(Antony Tasker)

UWI Libraries

May 24th, 1963

Received from Peter Abrahams:

Letter addressed to I.S. Heron Esq.,, Liquidator,
West Indian Economist Trust Limited

K. Lawrence
.....
Heron Thorbourn & Co.

May 24th, 1963

I.S.Heron, Esq., Liquidator,
7, West Avenue,
Kingston Gardens.

Dear Sir,

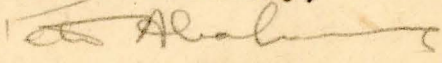
Re: WEST INDIAN ECONOMIST TRUST
IN LIQUIDATION

I should like to lodge my claim for the sum of Seven Hundred & Sixty-Nine Pounds (£769) due to me from the West Indian Economist Trust as arrears of salary during the period of my editorship of the West Indian Economist. This is the sum of money recorded in the books in your possession as that portion of salary due to me as a regular travel allowance.

Against this sum due to me, I should like you to set a charge of One Hundred and Seven Pounds for items of office equipment which I purchased from the West Indian Economist Trust and which I received from your Mr. Mould.

In the light of the above details, which you can verify by the records in your possession, I look forward to receipt of the sum of £662 from you in due course.

Yours sincerely,


Peter Abrahams

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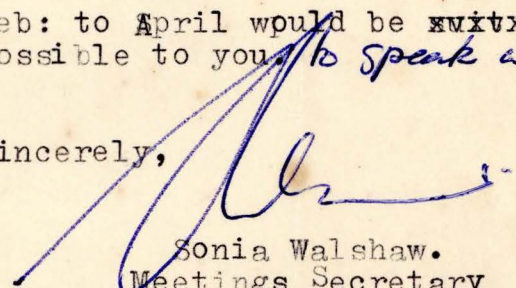
Dear Mr Abrahams,

Do you remember sometime ago, before you went to Jamaica, we hoped you might be able to speak at a meeting in Kendal.

We have been very pre-occupied with other international affairs since that time, and now we would much like to again try to carry out our plan to have a good public meeting on the colour bar. I wonder if you might be able to help us. - we do indeed feel that events are moving almost without people noticing while the Middle East and Europe occupy attention, and we would much like an opportunity to arouse people's interest and concern.

Anytime Feb: to April would be ~~quite~~ a good time for Kendal if it is possible to you *to speak in Kendal.*

Yours sincerely,


Sonia Walshaw.
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DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

5th of April, 1963.

My dear Peter

I don't think I had enough of your time when I was out in Jamaica - I could have enjoyed many more hours with you and I am sorry that I didn't see you before I left. In the course of the next few weeks we shall be, with the Wisco Head Office, formulating a programme which I shall in due course be sending to you with details of operations. In any case we must try to get the whole scheme operating about September.

You may remember that the last time we met was at the Club having drinks with the Minister of Industry and Commerce. Present at that time was Jim Bovell who wanted me to help over the Jamaica Development Corporation and it was at my suggestion that he agreed that he would ask you to draw up the booklet that was wanted. Then it would be sent to me to produce in this country. I would be very happy to do this. If he is in doubt as to whether or not I was serious in my offer, please put him wise.

If it should happen that you are coming to this country, I need hardly say how delighted my wife and I would be to offer your our hospitality. I would like you to feel that if there is anything I can do, you will get in touch with me - professionally or otherwise.

*I wished we had met
your wife we have heard so
many nice words
said of her*

Peter Abrahams, Esq.

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100 BAYSWATER ROAD LONDON W2

2nd March, 1961.

Peter Abrahams Esq.,
164/6 Harbour Street,
Kingston,
Jamaica.

Dear Mr. Abrahams,

I enclose a copy of a letter which I sent to the Hungarian Minister in London, on February 23rd. I have so far received no reply.

I don't know if you and your fellow-writers, who last year contributed to the release of Dery himself and the others by your activity, would feel like sending a telegram or letter to the same effect this year.

I attach a list of writers who are fairly certainly still in prison.

My feeling is that, having obtained such wide support from so many writers all over the world last year, pressing for the release of the imprisoned writers, it is only right to carry on and do the same at the time of the eleventh anniversary of the liberation of Hungary, April 4th.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Young

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28th February, 1961.

HUNGARIAN WRITERS

BELIEVED TO BE STILL IN PRISON

- ISTVAN BIBO - author, university lecturer, the last
Minister of State in the Imre Nagy
government.
Life It was hoped that a re-trial in camera not
Imprisonment long ago would lead to an early release,
but nothing is known for certain.
- JOZSEF GALI - poet, dramatist (was saved from death)
15 years Said to be very sick.
- GYULA - writer and journalist.
OBERSOVSZKY First sentenced to death.
Life Also said to be very sick.
Imprisonment
- GYORGY ADAM - writer, journalist, university lecturer.
Life Adam was in exile from 1938-1947, first in
Imprisonment Paris, then for many years in Bolivia,
later in Mexico.
- GABOR TANCZOS - writer, university lecturer, former
12 years secretary of the Petofi Club.
- FERENC - writer and journalist.
KUNSZABO
10 years
- SANDOR FEKETE - writer, historian.
9 years Unverified reports that he has been released.
- PAUL LOCSEI - writer and journalist
8 years
- MIHALY LENDVAI - writer and journalist.
8 years
- GYORGY - writer and journalist.
FAZEKAS
8 years - possibly longer
- FERENC - Professor, psychologist and educationalist.
MEREY
12 years

Continued

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HUNGARIAN WRITERS BELIEVED TO BE STILL IN PRISON

Continued

GEORGE LITVAN - historian and schoolmaster.

6 years

LASZLO KARDOS - former director of People's Colleges.
Rumoured to have committed suicide, but,
according to recent information, he is
still alive in prison.

COPY of letter addressed to the Hungarian Minister
in London

23rd February, 1961.

Your Excellency,

I wrote a few weeks ago to your Cultural Attache, asking him for news of the Hungarian writers who were not fortunate enough to be released last April, along with Tibor Dery, but have had no reply.

The release of Dery and the other writers was greeted with deep pleasure and relief throughout the world. We hope that the clemency which was extended to them last year, may be repeated this year towards the writers still in prison.

I remain etc.

Mrs. Elizabeth Young

19th April 1960.

Miss Elizabeth Young,
Tibor Dery Committee,
100 Bayswater Road,
London W.2.

Dear Miss Young,

Thank you for your letter of March 29th concerning the appeal to the Hungarian Government for the release of Tibor Dery and other imprisoned writers. I am, of course, in complete agreement with your committee and give you my unre-served support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'PA' with a flourish above it.

Peter Abrahams.

PA:ehk

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100 BAYSWATER ROAD LONDON W2

29th March, 1960.

Dear Mr. Abrahams,

Ann Corlett of Fabers has given me your address and I am writing to you as Secretary of this Committee to ask if you will give us your support in appealing to the Hungarian Government for the release of Tibor Dery and a score of other Hungarian writers from Prison. Dery himself is 65 and faces six more years in prison for the moral support he gave to the insurgents in 1956.

April 4th is the fifteenth anniversary of the Liberation of Hungary from the Fascists, and the celebration of this will be supported equally inside and outside Hungary. We hope the Hungarian Government may take the opportunity of showing clemency to these men.

We should be very glad of your support.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Young

Elizabeth Young (Secretary).

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Michael Young

250 Camden Road,
London N.W.1.
February 23, 1951.

Dear Mr. Začek,

This is to let you know that the money for the Slovak edition of *MINE BOY* has now arrived. Thank you very much indeed for it.

As soon as I have found a place for my family and we are organised, I shall let you have my new address and perhaps some of my new writing plans.

I want you to know that my wife and I both deeply appreciate your helpfulness at a particularly difficult moment in our lives.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Abrahams
Peter Abrahams.

Mr. Ludvik Začek,
Czechoslovak Theatrical and Literary Agency,
JEČNA 6,
PRAGUE II.