

The Rt Hon Theresa May MP
Prime Minister
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Re: Case No. ____ Zimbabwe

Madam Prime Minister May,

There is nowhere in the world where the British are more welcomed than in Zimbabwe, despite historical problems. After years of struggle to right historic wrongs and unresolved litigation/settlement/compensation processes between Zimbabwe and Britain arising from Britain's 1997 attempt to force regime change in Zimbabwe, my colleagues and I appeal directly to you as Britain's Prime Minister for reasoned and expedited resolution of pointless, unending legal conflict—conflict that is costly, unnecessary, and corrosive in so many ways for all involved.

My countrymen and I seek to enlist your personal involvement and support. We believe your intercession can bring appropriate closure to the long-delayed claims and suffering of the people of Zimbabwe.

"The Testimony" (enclosed for your close consideration) offers an overview and some history of this matter—a tale of relations between our countries gone awry. The document shares our perspective and explains the background and pertinent events underlying the claims and conflict we're earnestly attempting to resolve. We offer it to help you understand our story and the need for resolution, and to assist you in supporting and advocating settlement of still-simmering claims and tension. The Testimony is my honest, forthright, and informed understanding of relevant facts, and I believe all statements made therein are true and accurate.

The Testimony is one chapter in our forthcoming book "The Black Boiling Kettle from Africa," presently being readied for publication, which closely examines and reveals much truth about the terrible consequences and hardships imposed on Zimbabwe's citizens by Britain's attempt and failure under PM Tony Blair to effect regime change and remove Robert Mugabe as Zimbabwe's leader since 1997.

We believe—in part because of your courage and in part because of the respect your office commands—that your active involvement in this matter is warranted and can effectively catalyze a final resolution that serves the best interests of all parties.

While we've secured judgment awards on our claims in British courts, enforcing and collecting the judgment(s) has proved an unending battle, which itself causes more suffering by damaged Zimbabweans. The stalemate leaves us as damaged claimants without justice. Because British courts have left us without satisfactory resolution of our claims, we now of necessity—and in good faith—seek your involvement as a last resort. We'd like to avoid further conflict, pain and suffering.

We invite you to carefully review "The Testimony" and request your considered response to this letter detailing steps you can take and processes you can engage to bring agents of all parties together (by fostering, hosting, requiring) in a productive dialog, and establishing a reasonable path to resolution.

The courts have awarded judgments to _____ in the amount of £ _____ against _____. Other unresolved/pending claims by the Zimbabwean plaintiffs against British defendants including Tony Blair involve approximately £ _____.

The various parties involved in this unresolved litigation—or who have a substantive interest in or the ability to meaningfully inform/facilitate resolution proceedings—include those listed below. We believe these parties should all be invited to and enabled to participate in resolution forums we are able to undertake with your help:

- Zimbabwe
- Citizens of Zimbabwe
- Tony Blair
- ZANU/ZAPU/ZANU PF
- MDC Tsvangirai
- Gukurahundi representatives
- White farmers' representatives
- Diaspora representatives
- MAVAMBO (as an observer)
- AU, SADC, UN and G8

Without the attendance/participation of these parties, the resolution process/effort we undertake may falter, or be less effective or incomplete.

If you graciously agree to undertake/direct this resolution process, we can jointly establish and agree on important conditions to aid, protect, and administer the dialog/process. It will also be important to secure a neutral venue acceptable to all parties suitable for hosting the resolution conference and ensuring process integrity and the best prospects for a successful outcome. This resolution-settlement conference outcome, assuming a comprehensive settlement and conclusions are reached, must be final and enforceable by the parties, and not subject to or impaired by undisclosed external arrangements.

We respectfully request your response to this inquiry/appeal by February 1, 2017.

Specifically, we ask you to acknowledge your willingness (or unwillingness) to participate in and guide discussions/negotiations for resolution, along with an explanation of the dispute-resolution-oversight services you can offer to these international parties, and any steps we must follow to engage/secure the process and your involvement.

We believe you have the power and authority to intercede, break the logjam/stalemate, and make strong recommendations to the various players involved to procure a settlement/resolution/payment process that satisfies all and diffuses the problem for everyone. Settling/concluding/resolving this matter promptly and without further disruptive turmoil works to Britain's advantage and diminishes the prospect of a floodgate effect involving actions initiated by other Commonwealth countries. A final resolution will also afford both governments a way to mend differences and move on—stronger—as brothers, and afford a much stronger path to Mugabe's long-awaited stepdown and his replacement with a much more trustworthy/functional (and far less corrupt) National Transitional Body.

Without your involvement, and the certainty of a negotiated resolution, these matters will continue to fester, inflame passions, and embroil outsiders in the international community. With your involvement and judicious exercise of authority, we can finally draw a satisfactory resolution, a strengthened relationship, and peace for those we care about.

We call on you to act for the benefit of Britain, Zimbabwe, and all victims/litigants/players.

If the Prime Minister's office is unable to commit to a process for shepherding resolution, my colleagues and I will then, with much regret, need to pursue less appealing and drawn-out measures to ensure we attain a suitable outcome in a timely manner. This could include removing the entire matter to the International Court of Justice, publication and pointed distribution of *The Black Boiling Kettle from Africa*, or both. If we publish the book, we expect to first circulate it to leaders in G8 countries, the United Nations, and the African Union. Our dissemination of the book will initially occur with a focus on securing the interest and participation of influential parties worldwide capable of assisting Zimbabweans attain fitting and deserved justice in this matter.

Should you graciously lend your authority and influence to the right resolution of Zimbabwe's various claims and judgments, we will of course place publication of our book "*The Black Boiling Kettle from Africa*" in hold status pending resolution or other outcomes of your shepherding/arbitrator process.

We know you are busy, and we respect your time and priorities. However, the matter at hand is of such a nature—and of such importance to Britain and Zimbabwe in the arc of history—that without an effective arbitrator to diffuse conflict and shape a proper remedy, the ongoing collateral damage from the boiling kettle will only escalate. Your involvement can bring closure, finality, and great relief—and stop the bleeding, not just for Zimbabweans, but for Britain's stature, reputation, and relations as well. Ongoing, unresolved conflict over these pending claims serves no one.

Yours Sincerely,

Cc: Hon. Tony Blair