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Professor Matthews,  
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ALICE.

Dear Professor Matthews,

It is the express wish of the Executive of Convocation of the University of Natal that I should, in my capacity as President, write to you, which I gladly do.

Your resignation from the staff of the Fort Hare, having regard to the circumstances which have occasioned it, has been a matter of profound regret to my Executive. At the same time, your courageous stand on principle has been not only a matter for sincere congratulation, but a source of encouragement and inspiration to those who hold dear the most treasured ideals of University life. Your own contribution in the cause of higher learning has won for you a place among the acknowledged University leaders of South Africa. It is the earnest hope of my Executive that you will be spared for many years to add further lustre to your record of principles before all else.

My Executive also desires me to convey to those of your colleagues who have either resigned or been dismissed, their very heartfelt sympathy and good wishes. As I do not have a list of the persons involved, is it asking too much of you to be kind enough to convey these sentiments to them.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

