Dear Professor Matthews,

This is rather late in the day, I'm afraid, but it is to send you the greetings of the Lyndhurst branch of the Liberal Party, and to say how much we admire the decision you have recently taken in the light of conscience and conviction. We had hoped to write a joint letter with the ANC here, but I now discover that they have been quicker off the mark!

We do appreciate all that you have done for the old Fort here, and well understand that it will be impossible for you to work under the new regime, especially on the condition which the Minister laid down. It is to us a tragic commentary on the state to which our country has come, that the willing services of a wise and experienced teacher should be forfeited, South Africa as a whole needs you, and a part of South Africa has denied us that need.

We are sorry and angry at what has happened, and are completely at one with you in your difficult decision.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Nuttall (Chairman).

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Answered 16/11/59,