Dear Professor Matthews,

During last year there were negotiations to organise a reception in honour of yourself by the Fort Hare Union, and the NUSAS Executive in December 1960 voted a sum towards the expenses of such a reception. This reception however did not materialise because of certain difficulties in communicating with all the members of the Fort Hare Union.

We take pleasure, however, in bringing to your attention the resolution taken at our 37th Student Assembly:

"That this Assembly endorses the President's action in negotiating for a reception to be held in honour of Professor Z.K. Matthews conjointly with the Fort Hare Union, and authorises the President to continue negotiations."

We have thus decided that we would like to hold this reception in Alice at the Toe H Hall in early September and would be deeply honoured if you would agree to be present. We also intend inviting Dr Alexander Kerr and other persons known to yourself, including Dr Alan Paton.

We should be very pleased if you could let us know of your decision at your earliest convenience, so that we may finalise the date and make the necessary arrangements as soon as possible.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

W.T. Mhlambiso
Vice-President

Adrian Leftwich
President.