On behalf of the Mandela family I hereby would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to His Imperial Highness Prince Estifanos Matewos of Ethiopia for his gracious and benevolent support, his efforts and immediate response to our call and request for assistance in the release of Nkosi Zwelivelile 'Mandla' Mandela and fellows.

Upon receiving news of Mandla's capture we had reached out to His Imperial Highness, a close family friend of the Mandela family and a highly respected leader with our request to engage his international network of powerful and influential world leaders, agencies and institutions who would be key in negotiating and securing the release of Mandla Mandela and fellows.

We first and foremost thank God for answering our prayers for the safe return of my brother Mandla. Our gratitude also goes out to His Majesty King of Jordan, the Presidency of South Africa, the Department of International Relations and Cooperation, Her Excellency Ambassador of

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