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Your Excellency

On behalf of the African National Congress, as well as on my own personal behalf, it gives me great honour to convey to you, our sincere congratulations and best wishes for the Peace Agreement signed between Mr Abu Mazen, on behalf of the Palestinian Liberation Organisation and H.E. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, on behalf of the State of Israel.

We are all optimistic that this Peace Accord will bring hope to millions of Palestinians and Israelis and that this is the beginning of a process that will eventually lead to a permanent settlement between two historically linked peoples, bringing peace and stability to the entire region.

As in South Africa, it is to be expected that there will always be those who are opposed to the genuine and popular peace process. We feel sure, however, that with the support of the majority, whose quest for peace, justice and stability is overwhelming, these extremists will never succeed.

May I take this opportunity of wishing the peoples of Palestine and the State of Israel peace and goodwill for the future.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurance of our highest consideration.


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