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Excellency:

The world has lost one of its greatest heroes. The Africa Study Group (ASG) joins millions around the world in conveying our condolences on the passing of Nelson Mandela. Some of our members served in South Africa, and had the privilege of meeting him. He exuded compassion, humility and hope. This inspired all who met him, and those who did not.

We must continue to emulate Mr. Mandela's spirit as we move forward. His passing is a very sad event, but his legacy will live on especially in the hearts and minds of those of us who cherish Africa, and believe in its future. Nelson Mandela exemplified the best of Africa, and proved that courage and determination can bring rewards.

Nelson Mandela's personal 'struggle' has come to an end, but it continues, and we rejoice in his enormous contributions to his own country and the world. ASG is committed to influence Canadian policy-makers to move forward towards a revived relationship between Canada and Africa, based on mutual respect and benefits. He will not be forgotten.

Yours sincerely,

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