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Mrs. Sandra Parr Tjitendero  
Ms. Tjireya Tjitendero  
Mr. Kerii Tjitendero

Dearest Friends,

News has reached me that our dear brother Mose was removed from us to the next world. This is truly a shock and leaves us with bruised hearts and a deep sense of sadness. How can this be so?

I recall with fondness our days as students at the University of Massachusetts when as youth we spent hours contemplating our purpose as change agents in the world. We explored wide-ranging philosophical approaches and political ideologies and enjoyed many hours of intense debate and always emerged as good friends with refreshed minds.

Our progression through and completion of our various graduate programs led us to broad avenues of service to humanity. Mose was to become that outstanding scholar and parliamentarian whose brilliant influence impacted governments throughout the continent of Africa and far beyond. His sterling personal and professional qualities, especially his integrity, were framed by his capacity to listen and his ability to remain close to those at grassroots of his country, the common citizen, understanding their needs and finding remedies for the challenges they faced.

Mose was not only a man of the people but also a champion of his family both immediate and extended. His intense love and concern for you Sandy and for you Tjireya and Kerii was always a distinguishing hallmark of his personality. Ever concerned about you and your wellbeing his effervescent smile and sense of humor made him a perceptive and determined soldier in the army of those who sought justice and opportunity for all. But his high-minded dreams for you were always uppermost in his litany of concerns.

Visits by the Bahá'í Black Men's Gathering and sisters of African descent from the United States to Namibia were welcomed with open arms and hospitality far beyond any expectation. Your home was a place demonstrating a true love of humanity.

We admire you and your dear husband and father and in this period of loss we add our voice of condolence to many others whose lives were profoundly touched by this special soul who gave so much.

We will beseech the Almighty on your behalf in the Bahá'í House of Worship here in Wilmette Illinois that your grief will find some relief with the knowledge that Dr. Mose Tjitendero did his best and leaves a legacy unparalleled. Our prayers call out to God to embrace this dear one making him an intimate of the Divine Mysteries advancing his soul in the Worlds beyond.

We send to you our heartfelt and loving greetings and assure you that the men of the Gathering when next we meet will remember, recount with humility and celebrate his contributions to the new world civilization we seek to establish.

Our hearts are with you at this difficult time.

Your brother,

Dr. William Roberts  
Treasurer