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Temple Bar 2151. (Communist Party Headquarters).

Outgoing. 6.6.49.

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DESMOND BUCKLE for SID ABBOTT. The position with regard to PAUL ROBESON was that ZILLIACUS was putting him on the train for Liverpool, which would be arriving about two o'clock. (from Newcastle, where he had an appointment with ZILLIACUS). Accommodation would only be required for ROBESON and HARRY BROWN. ~~BETTER~~ BLACKMAN would not be going to Liverpool, but he would be in Manchester on Monday afternoon. DESMOND asked that the accounts for both meeting should be kept separate. SID said that they had managed to to get the hall in Liverpool, for Sunday. On Saturday there was to be a reception at the ADELPHI Hotelx in the evening, and an open air demonstration when ROBESON arrived in the afternoon. He was being met at the station with a band, and they would march from there. DESMOND told SID that DADOO was out of the country and would be absent on that account. The above conversation was practically inaudible.

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EXTRACT.

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Extract from telecheck on Temple Bar 9228, incoming call to Dorothy WOODMAN, mentioning ROBESON.

..... Dorothy said..... Kingsley and she were going to hear Paul ROBESON to-night. Distant said he was going too with Zoe and Bernstein. They would foregather together in that case. Dorothy said she was very much hoping to get Paul for an evening, mainly for a political talk between some of "us", and had promised to ring up but hadn't yet done so. Distant arranged with Dorothy to meet in the bar during the interval to-night and afterwards in Paul ROBESON'S dressing room. Anyway he would ring her to-morrow about the week-end.

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Miss M. Tunnard,
 The India League,
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March 21st 1949

Mr. Robeson,

I must thank you for the inspiring evening of your concert last Friday. I was up in the gallery and could only see you crouching against a pillar trying to look between it and the arm of the man in front of me and yet your great personality came over you against such odds. About your singing I need not talk. It is if possible even better than it was before the war. It is the wonderful humanism which permeates every song and every you sing which makes this evening stand out in ones memory as a unique experience. It also the audience you draw is remarkable. It is united and happy in its admiration and love for you the artist and the man. If there is anyone in this gallery who came with any remnants of a colour-blindness I feel convinced he left the Albert Hall without a trace. Being an artist myself and having mixed all my life with artists I knew that great artistry and great human qualities are by no means always synonymous. All the more is one happy when one can admire both the artist and the man as in your case. Thank you once more for the happiness you gave me and all the people around me.

Yours very sincerely

Ruby Sender

South Africa.

I should very much like to attend your meeting, but owing to my pocket being low, it makes it impossible, seeing that I am unable to work now owing to very bad health from South Africa Prison.

Sir if you could possibly try & send me a little money for my train fare I should be very pleased to come & give support, as I am now I have £2.9.6 weekly. out of that I have 15/- rent, coals, & wife & two children to keep we are all living in one room, then I have to get Rations out of it. I should be very, very pleased if I get a reply from you soon.

Compliment-

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