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Dear Dr Slabbert

MANDELA SUNDAY TIMES LIFETIME ACHIEVER AWARD: BOOK OF TRIBUTES

On November 6 this year the Sunday Times will be honouring Nelson Mandela with a Lifetime Achiever Award at our Business Times Top 100 function. To commemorate this occasion we will be putting together a book of special tributes to him.

Rather than giving him a purchased gift we want to give him a gift of memory. There will be only one copy of this book, and it will be given to him personally at the event. It will be a repository of stories, anecdotes and very personal messages to a man who has made a difference to all our lives.

As someone who has a particular history with him, we would really like you to contribute to the book. Your tribute could take the form of personal experiences of Mandela, a memorable encounter with him, even a poem or an open letter. You may prefer your contribution to take the form of a drawing or sketch.

We have been in liaison with Verne Harris, Memory Programme Manager at the Nelson Mandela Foundation, regarding this project and he has given it his backing. Should you wish to contact him about it, he can be reached on 011 853 2612 or 082 994 2233.

We believe that this is a great project. However, we have very little time to put it together and so would ask you to send your contribution to us by the 30th of September 2007. You could either send it electronically to my e-mail address below, or to Nadine Dreyer, Sunday Times, 4 Biermann Avenue, Rosebank, 2196 – or you could let us know whether you want us to collect it from you personally.

Please could you acknowledge receipt of this e-mail? And if you have any questions, suggestions and ideas please do not hesitate to e-mail me or to give me a call.

Kind regards

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