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**Letter from Yonah Efrat to Margot and Magnus  
Malan, South African Minister of Defence**

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**Summary:**

Israeli General Yonah Efrat replies with a short note to Margot and Magnus Malan's personal letter.

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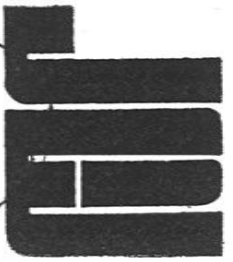
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Genl and Mrs Magnus Malan  
Ministry of Defence  
South-Africa

Dear Margot and Magnus,

Thank you for your letter.

We know how busy you are having the responsibility of safe and secure future for the South Africa and to fight at the same time in elections for your political views.

I do not know how it is with the South Africaners but we use to say that many times it is more complicated to fight the internal wars between ourselves.

We wish you success, to enjoy your achievements and the best to your family. Happy Easter.

We hope to visit in May and want to thank you for your kind invitation.

With best regards,

*Y. Effrat*  
Managing Director