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Summary:

In an undated, handwritten personal letter, Yonah Efrat writes to South African Defence Minister Magnus Malan regarding the visit of South African Chief of Staff Viljoen.

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I use the opportunity to send you few words -

We had a wonderful week with Gen. & Mrs. Falgout, ^{Vilipien} They are great. I hope Constant had a good time and that he really saw all he was interested to see. You know my deep friendship to you and my feelings towards South Africa, I hope the special relationship that you so carefully have build up will develop for the advantage of our 2 both countries, We know what is good for us, we can't depend on anybody but ourself, and we can do what is necessary, Do I sincerely believe it can be done better if we do it together. So let us hope and help each other.

Politically we have now a complicated situation. We shall have to break through our way, and we shall do it, we want it to be the peaceful way - let us hope it will be so.

Many important issues were discussed with your Chief of Staff, he is a very fine and bright person. I am sure best will be done on both sides with some push from time to time.
Please give our love to Marget and your children, I will write soon Best Wishes
James