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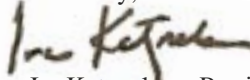
Dear Mr. President:

In June of this year, the American Political Science Association wrote to express our serious concern about the deportation of Professor Kenneth Good from the Republic of Botswana and the disregard for basic principles of academic freedom that underlay this action. We understand that you hold discretionary powers to reverse this situation. We again urge you to take steps to rectify what is an embarrassment to your country.

There is a simple and humanitarian solution. Dr. Good continues to hold an employment contract with the University of Botswana until the end of 2006. His daughter remains in the country to complete her schooling. By allowing Dr. Good to return to the University to complete his contract, and for his daughter to complete her schooling, you would demonstrate a commitment to academic and intellectual freedom and to a generosity of spirit that would gain global attention.

I, along with my other political science colleagues, fervently hope you and your government will rectify a patent injustice, will restore Professor Good to his position for the term of his contract, and thereby will reclaim the international progressive reputation of the Republic of Botswana.

Sincerely,



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