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The President of Zimbabwe
His Excellency, Robert Gabriel Mugabe
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Dear Mr. President

Following up my letter of 16th February 2002, I would like you to know that even after all I have said, Christ's love and grace still reach out to you and indeed, I too desire your salvation. I know, sir, that you are not well and thus I would implore you in the Name of the Saviour, Jesus Christ, to repent of your sin and rebellion against Him. It is a fearful thing to die not having the Lord as your Substitute and Redeemer. Sir, I and practically the whole world know that there is much you have done that is heinous in God's eyes, but it is important for you to know that it is not too late to confess this to the Lord and forsake such behaviour. The thief who was on a cross next to Christ, repented at the very end of his life and knew the eternal mercy of God. Mr. President, there is no need for you to spend eternity in hell, which is where all who refuse to repent will spend eternity. I do beg you to humble yourself under the mighty hand of God and seek His forgiveness for all you have done and having repented, to make restitution where you can, which would mean, at least:

- returning any monies that you have inappropriately acquired and thus helping our nation to recover from its economic ruin.
- not covering up your atrocities but helping the families of the victims find out the truth about what happened to their loved ones.
- desiring real truth and justice to be clearly evident in *every* aspect of life in our nation.

Sir, this life is but a breath and you must surely know, due to your age and illness, that your life is close to its end. You have failed as a leader and there will be no chance to rectify that now, but your greatest failing would be if you refuse to repent and therefore you die without Christ. Please heed my call, which in all sincerity is motivated by Christian love and repent while there is still time. Due to God's immense mercy, you can, through repentance, become a child of His and stand boldly in His presence forevermore and I would rejoice to stand with you and call you my brother. There is nothing in this life worth trading for God's glorious promise to adopt into His family whoever calls upon His Name and make them heirs to His throne. Sir, please confess your sin to the Lord of heaven and earth and also confess your sin to those you have sinned against on the earth so that you might know what it means to be cleansed by the blood of Christ and experience the peace of God that passes understanding.

As a humble servant of the almighty and merciful God, I once again beg you to respond to His gracious offer of salvation found through faith in Christ's substitutionary atonement, and take hold of eternal life. To continue to harden your heart against the truth and against the call of the Spirit, will have not only terrifying, but eternal consequences. Therefore, Your Excellency, with sincere Christian love, I beseech you to embrace the Good News in Christ Jesus. I am earnestly praying that you will respond before it is too late.

A servant in the service of Jesus Christ, the only Saviour and King!

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