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BY: AFRICAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY

ABOUT: PRESIDENT MACVICAR'S DECISION NOT TO PETITION THE NCAA ON BEHALF OF THE OSU WRESTLER'S PLANNING TO GO TO SOUTH AFRICA.

WINNIE TAY, PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY SAID "WE ARE EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH DR. MACVICAR'S DECISION. IT IS WISE AND PRUDENT. IT PROMOTES THE INTEGRITY AND LONG-RANGE INTERESTS OF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY. CERTAINLY IT WILL BE A BLOW TO APARTHEID AND ITS SUPPORTERS. WE HOPE THAT IT WILL BE THE FOUNDATION ON WHICH OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY CAN BEGIN TO BUILD ENDURING ACADEMIC AND ATHLETIC TIES WITH THE MORE THAN FIFTY INDEPENDENT NATIONS OF AFRICA."

THE PRESIDENT OF THE AFRICAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION NOTED THAT "DR. MACVICAR'S DECISION WILL PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF THE OSU ATHLETIC PROGRAM AND WILL ENSURE THE ELIGIBILITY OF OSU WRESTLERS BOTH IN THE FORTHCOMING SEASON AND IN THE FUTURE SINCE IT ADHERES TO NCAA AND AAU RULES."

WINNIE TAY CONTINUED, "THE AFRICAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION IS GRATIFIED THAT THE DECISION CONFORMS TO THE UNITED NATIONS RESOLUTION TO ISOLATE SOUTH AFRICA FROM ALL INTERNATIONAL SPORTS BECAUSE OF ITS RACIST POLICY OF APARTHEID. PRESIDENT MACVICAR IS TO BE CONGRATULATED. HE RECEIVES THE RESOLUTE SUPPORT OF THE AFRICAN STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION OF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY."

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