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## OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR

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Professor Mamokgethi Phakeng  
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Dear Professor Phakeng

We have learnt, with sadness, about the devastation of buildings, infrastructure, history and knowledge caused by the fire that your institution suffered from on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021.

On behalf of the National University of Lesotho (NUL) staff and students, we hereby convey our heartfelt sympathy to you and your team over the loss and destruction caused by the fire. As the UCT team embarks on the assessment of damage, and eventually crafting a recovery strategy, we would like you to know that the National University of Lesotho sends you the best wishes for a speedy recovery. We will be available to support in all ways we can, especially with reference to Special Collections, and Sesotho collections in particular.

UCT, partners with NUL on a number of programmes. We value those partnerships. At this very difficult time, we want you to know that we are thinking and praying for you. We wish you and your team strength to survive, and renewed energy to recover from this and excel.

Yours sincerely

**Professor B. Ekanjume-Ilongo**  
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