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My dear Rajaji,

In Goa, five Opposition Parties have united against the Congress. They are: (1) Goan National Union, (2) Partite Indiana, (3) United Front of Goans, (4) Goancho Paksh, (5) Democratic Party. We have been able to secure the testament of faith of Goancho Paksh and we believe that the other parties would not be very different in their point of view. The main issues causing anxiety to the Goans are: (1) statehood and (2) clean and efficient government. Fortunately, none of the Indian political parties, trying to organise in Goa, has so far joined the United Goans. The PSP, Socialists and the Communists are not part of it and therefore I feel that our timely encouragement will take us a long way.

I think it would be an excellent idea if the Centre was to encourage them in whatever way possible, and, if you were to write personally to the new Party congratulating it and giving it your blessings. You may address your letter to Dr. Alvaro de Loyala Furtado, United Goans, Margoa.

We shall be happy to receive your comments on this suggestion.

With kind regards,

Sincerely Yours,

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