

aid on the one hand when I have on the other received South African aid, knowing that the Americans and South Africans did not have the same interests. He also went on to accuse me about the British.

Let me repeat what I have already said. Our choice of aid is based on:

- (a) coming from a friendly country;
- (b) from a peace-loving country; and
- (c) having no strings attached.

I therefore do not understand what Mr. Mokhehle is talking about because the question of different interests that might exist between the Americans and South Africa or the British is of no concern to my Government. He may speak of the Americans in derogatory terms, as he did - that is his own business, and I do not intend to be forced into a dispute with either the Americans, the South Africans or the British in order to please Mr. Mokhehle and his friends.

In regard to what appeared in one of the South African newspapers to the effect that:

"It is reported that the diplomatic corps and the personnel of the United States is at present waging an intensive campaign in Lesotho to whip up the inhabitants against the Republic and to drive a wedge between the two countries.

This is being done at regular cocktail parties to which prominent citizens of Lesotho are invited who are then subjected to an anti-South African barrage. At these parties it is said that it is unheard of that a Black State could get aid from the Republic and the

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