

Porter Pilatus aircraft by the Government of the Federal Republic of West Germany. This aircraft is specially designed for conditions in the mountains and will be invaluable in enabling our Flying Doctor Service to reach otherwise "inaccessible" parts of the country. Orfam has been no less generous in assisting with the maintenance and running costs of aircraft for this purpose. The Federal Republic of West Germany again has given us X-ray equipment for the Queen Elizabeth II Hospital in Maseru, and this will be housed in a building for which the Mine Labour Organisation (M.L.O.), has made a very substantial donation. British aid has provided improved mortuary facilities and refrigeration equipment at the Queen Elizabeth II Hospital. The acute shortage of Doctors has been relieved by a contingent of Medical Officers from Korea. We are indeed grateful to the Korean Government for its generous co-operation. Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Rupert and to the unselfish humanitarianism of the Doctors concerned, we have the services of many distinguished Specialists made available through the Medical Shuttle Service to a large number of Basotho patients.

I make no apology for this recital of our achievements. It is justified on two grounds. First, I wish you to share my confidence in our future. Secondly, I am particularly anxious that you should understand the basis of our success. It is, very simply, peace and friendship. We are, by nature, a peaceful and friendly people, and as long as we maintain calm and stability at home, we can hope to inspire confidence, goodwill and friendship abroad. Thanks to that confidence, goodwill and friendship we have been able to embark on plans for development which would otherwise be beyond our resources, or which would have burdened our country with crippling debts. We must continue to justify the confidence of our friends.

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