

I therefore request you, my countrymen, to spread this gospel among you and as widely as you can. Let us not waste time. I have repeatedly said that our people are starving and that they are straining to taste the fruits of independence. I say again: we who have been elected to positions of responsibility - Motlotlehi, Prime Minister, Chiefs, Civil Servants and all who are paid from public funds month by month, should not forget the poor Mosotho who is suffering.

In conclusion, I would like to warn you - without regard to the status of anyone, whether civil servant, Chief or Minister, that if you are selfish and have no concern for the aid we receive from foreign countries, I shall not tolerate that attitude. In this connection, I remember the case of an Indian lacemaker who wanted to come and establish a factory here but feared that the constitutional issue had not been settled.

I ask you, my Chiefs, to go and spread all that I have said: that what we require is to unite and work for the interests of our people; do not let other nations leave us behind. A great deal of time has been wasted because we are jealous of one another. If you do not recognise this Government, I do not see what hope you have for any other.

I thank you and wish you all peace, rain and prosperity. I repeat: do not waste time! All those shouting strange politics shall be called to order.

Thank you!