



RADIO BROADCAST BY THE HONOURABLE THE PRIME
MINISTER, ON MONDAY, 16TH JUNE, 1969 - ON
FOOD AID FROM AMERICA THROUGH THE CATHOLIC
RELIEF SERVICES

On behalf of the Basotho nation, I would like to thank the Catholic Relief Services from the bottom of my heart for the very generous donations of foodstuffs they are giving us to feed our people who are constructing roads and dams, as well as Scouts and Girl Guides in their camps.

The people of America have volunteered to send us these foodstuffs through the Catholic Relief Services here, and Catholic Relief Services have now informed the Lesotho Government that United States Aid has announced an extension of operations for the period 1st July, 1969, to 30th June, 1970. The following amounts of food have been donated by the people of America to the people of Lesotho through the Catholic Relief Services:

226,800 - 50lb bags of cornmeal - to be used mainly in the Food-for-Work road and dam construction projects;

229,000 lbs of Soyabean Oil - to be used for the same Food-for-Work programme, as well as for 4,100 Scouts and Guides in Camps;

45,360 - 50lb bags of Whole Wheat Flour - for use in the Food-for-Work programme; and

761,000 lbs of Non-fat Dried Milk.

In addition, they have provided:

30,520 - 50lb bags of Bulgar Wheat - for use in the Scout camps I have mentioned, as well as in the Sixteen Maternal Child Health Centres which Catholic Relief Services...../2.