Party. When he accepts my challenge, I also wish to ask him to declare openly, as he has done on this question of relations with South Africa, whether he still insists on the increase of the powers of His Majesty. Immediately after independence, Mr. Mokhehle and I clashed headlong on this question of His Majesty's powers. I maintained and still do that His Majesty must, in accordance with the wishes of the people as expressed in the 1965 Constitution, remain a constitutional monarch who exercises his executive powers through his Prime Minister and Cabinet. He slated this view and advocated that the powers of His Majesty be increased. I refused, not only because I wanted to uphold and respect the provisions of the Constitution, but also because I wanted to keep His Majesty above politics. I wanted him to remain in the position of dignity the nation had anticipated for him when it presented its views during the Constitutional commission.

For these reasons I challenge Mr. Mokhehle to cut a long story short and declare his position on these important issues in an election manifesto. You cannot trust people who have associated with communists. This has been proved by a leading communist leader, Nichits Kruschev when he said: "Words mean one thing and action another."

This is why I challenge Mr. Mokhehle to produce a manifesto. He is too fond of somersults to be trusted without one.

I know that you are aware of the advantages derived from our policy of mutual co-operation, but I am sure you will be happy to hear of the latest achievement in this regard. On Thursday this week your Minister of Finance, Chief Peete Peete signed on your behalf the Customs Union Agreement between Lesotho, South Africa, Botswana and Swaziland. This means that we are going to earn just over 4 million Rands from goods tax - there we used to get just a little more than one million Rands. This means that within a period of five years our dependence on Britain for budgetary aid will decrease and, as

a result,../4.