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ZOMBA,  
MALAWI.

Central Africa.  
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Mr. Edgard Pisani,  
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Brussels,  
BELGIUM.

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Dear Mr. Pisani,

I write to thank you very much for your letter of the 23rd of December. It was most kind and thoughtful of you to write, and I was very glad to hear from you.

Your letter greatly interested me because it touched on a number of important points into the details of which I will not go. But I was interested in your remarks on the problems of peace, debt and hunger. Here in Malawi, we are aware of these problems. And to the best of our ability, we strive to cope with them under our circumstances. ~~RENEW~~

I know you know my policy of contact and dialogue between Black Africa and White Africa. I also know that you know that from the time Malawi became independent, I have told my people that the struggle against imperialism and colonialism is now over; our struggle now is with poverty, ignorance and disease; and that to be successful against these enemies, poverty, ignorance and disease, the people must work hard in the fields to produce enough crops for food and surplus to sell for money, with which they can buy better clothes and build better houses.

Under our circumstances and conditions, even outside important international institutions such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund give us credit for at least doing something about our economic situation. Because, apart from anything else, we feed ourselves here. Malawi, as a country, does not ask other countries such as the United States of America, Canada or the European Economic Commission for food. And this is what many other countries in

Africa, larger than Malawi in size, cannot truthfully claim to do.

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With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

H. KAMUZU BANDA