



THE REPORT
of the
Electoral Commission
on
Delimitation of Constituencies
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INTERIM REPORT OF THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION ON
DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES 1970

TO: HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT NGWAZI DR. H. KAMUZU BANDA,
HEAD OF STATE IN AND OVER THE REPUBLIC OF MALAWI.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

The Electoral Commission appointed by Your Excellency under the provisions of Section 30 of the Constitution of the Republic of Malawi to exercise such functions, in relation to elections, conferred upon it by Section 31 of the Constitution as amended by Act No. 25 of 1969; to determine the boundaries of the 60 Constituencies created by the said Acts of Parliament has now completed the first stage of its task. Having completed the first task entrusted to them the Commissioners have the honour to submit to Your Excellency the following Interim Report on the Delimitation of Constituencies:

2. Your Commission, in its review of Constituency boundaries, was guided by the principles laid down in Section 31 of the Constitution as amended by Act No. 25 of 1969 that:

(1) For the purposes of elections to the National Assembly, the Republic shall be divided into sixty constituencies in such manner as the Electoral Commission, acting with the approval of the National Assembly signified by resolution, may prescribe.

(2) So far as it appears to the Electoral Commission practicable and subject to subsection (3) of Section 31 of the Constitution, every constituency shall contain the number of voters registered on the voters roll that is equal to the electoral quota in respect of the voters roll.

(3) The Electoral Commission may depart from the principles specified in subsection (2) of Section 31 of the Constitution to such extent as it considers expedient in order to take account of-

- (a) the density of population;
- (b) the means of communication;
- (c) geographical features; and
- (d) the boundaries of existing administrative areas.

(4) The Electoral Commission shall review the boundaries of all constituencies at intervals of not less than three nor more than five years, and may alter the boundaries of the constituencies in accordance with this section.

(5) Any alteration of the constituencies under this section shall come into effect upon such date as the President may by Order direct.

(6) For the purpose of this section the electoral quota in respect of the roll of voters shall be the number ascertained by dividing the number of voters for the time being registered throughout the Republic on that roll by sixty.

3. Your Commission's Terms of Reference are those set out in Appendix A to this Interim Report.

4. Your Commissioners, in keeping with the provisions of paragraph 2(f) of the Terms of Reference are pleased to report that it is no longer necessary for constituency boundaries to transgress the boundaries of an Administrative District. Your Commission accordingly make the following recommendations:

(a) NORTHERN REGION

Rumpi East:

The area of Chief Mtwalo, of Mzimba District in the North East of Mzimba known as Luzi area of approximately 20 square miles together with the settlement of Njakwa into Rumpi West Constituency should now form part of the Mzimba North East and Mzimba North Constituencies.

Nkhata Bay

The area of Usisya of Nkhata Bay District now under Rumpi East Constituency should form part of Nkhata Bay North Constituency. Although the majority of the people of Usisya speak Chitumbuka are more closely identified with those of Charo and Mlowe in the Rumpi East, to North, than with those to south they fall under Nkhata Bay District Administration and Political leadership. The people of Usisya express their gratitude to Your Excellency for returning that part of Usisya to its original District, Nkhata Bay.

Mzimba South:

The area of Chief Mabilabo of Mzimba District forming part of Kasungu North Constituency should now form part of the Mzimba South Constituency.

(b) CENTRAL REGION

Kasungu North:

The area of Chief Mabilabo in Kasungu North Constituency to be excluded from the Kasungu North Constituency as noted above.

Kasungu East:

The area known as the Kanyenda Hill in Chief Knayenda area in the extreme west of Nkhotakota District under Kasungu East Constituency should now form part of Nkhotakota North.

(c) SOUTHERN REGION

The three cases of transgression of administrative district boundaries all affect Chikwawa District lying in the north east of Chikwawa to the south of the Mirale Forest Reserve known as Madzibango and the eastern part of the Chikwawa, the area of Sub Chief Thomas, should now form part of Chikwawa Constituencies. South of Sub Chief Thomas there is Changata area of Cholo District which was formerly under Chikwawa North Constituency. This area should now be under Cholo South Constituency.

5. The Commission would like to express its regret for the irreparable loss of Mr. J.R.N. Chinyama, the former Chairman who died on 27th July, 1970 and whose ill-health was a cause for concern during the Commission's tours of the Country. This was particularly so during the month of May. As a Chairman he was so devoted to his duties that he did not want to miss any tour hence the postponement of the second visit to Zomba in the months of June and July but he had to miss the visit.
6. Your Commission wishes to assure Your Excellency that the appointment of Mr. N.D. Kwenje to replace late Chinyama is most welcome and also wishes to express its appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Mwale who ably acted as Chairman during the interim period.
7. Your Commission is pleased to report to Your Excellency the peoples' gratitude and appreciation for sending the Commission to their respective Districts to hear their views on the Constituency boundaries; for returning certain areas which were, for the purposes of constituency boundaries, separated from their Administrative Districts and for allowing the Chiefs, the Area Chairmen of Malawi Congress Party to appear before the Commission.
8. Your Commission has the pleasure to report that as a result of the call by the Chiefs of Fort Johnston District the Commission had to visit the District twice to hear their views. The Chiefs were left out during the first visit of the Commission to the District. A similar call was received from Zomba District but which turned out to be a misrepresentation. The second visit to Zomba took place on 13th August, 1970.
9. The Commission would like to single out the contribution made by the Honourable A.B.J. Chiwanda, M.P., Minister of State in the President's Office, responsible for the General Election 1971 in guiding the Commission and even leading the discussions from time to time in a most able manner. The Commission accordingly wishes to express its appreciation of the Minister's valuable contribution which was of great value indeed. This was particularly so when the Commission was confronted with political issues which the Commission was not competent to answer. The Minister showed comprehensive knowledge about the area of Blantyre District which was of greatest value.
10. In Appendix B are listed the Districts visited during the Delimitation of Constituencies, and the names of people who gave evidence to the Commission are set out in Appendix C.
11. The second part of the Report contains the Commission's recommendations for the division of Malawi into 60 Constituencies and includes the description of each Constituency and in some respects the area in square miles, and estimated number of voters of each Constituency and the proposed name of each Constituency.
12. Apart from the persons whose names are listed in Appendix A of this Report, the Commission wishes to place on record its appreciation of the valuable assistance and contribution given to it by the Honourable M.Q.Y. Chibambo, Minister for Northern Region; the Honourable J.T. Kumbweza, M.P., Minister for Central Region; the Honourable Gwanda Chakuamba, Minister for Southern Region; the Honourable A.A. Muwalo, Minister of State in the President's Office; Honourable A.K. Banda, Minister of Finance, Information and Tourism; and The Office of the President and Cabinet. The Commission would also like to express its appreciation for the valuable contribution given by Supervisory District Commissioners in the Northern and Central Regions and the District Commissioner, Blantyre who is, for the purposes of elections the Assistant Registration Supervisor for Southern Region. The gentlemen showed comprehensive knowledge of the geographical problems of each area which was of the greatest value.

13. Your Excellency, this is the Commission's Interim Report for the following reasons:

- (a) That the registration of voters has not yet been done.
- (b) Your Excellency's consideration as regards to the recommendation in Part III. of this Report.

14. Your Commission would like to avail itself to this opportunity to express its profound gratitude to Your Excellency for the honour conferred upon the Commissioners and to express great appreciation for the excellent way in which the Commission was received by all Party Officials, Government Officials everywhere the Commission went to receive evidence. This was, to the Commission, a sign of a happy Nation.

We have the honour to be,
Your Excellency's obedient servants,

N.D. Kwenje, Chairman
J.J. Mwale, Member
J.C. Katsonga, Member
Sub Chief Mwahenga, Member
C.K.M. Mfune, Secretary

21st August, 1970.

PART II
LIST OF CONSTITUENCIES RECOMMENDED FOR THE
GENERAL ELECTION 1971

CONSTITUENCY NO. 1

Name: Chitipa North

Number of Registered Voters 46,007

That part of Chitipa District which comprises the areas of Chiefs Kameme, Mwenebulambia (Nyondo) and Chief Mwenemisuku.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 2

Name: Chitipa South

Number of Registered Voters 10,443

The southern part of Chitipa District which comprises the areas of Chief Mwenewenya and Nthalile.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 3

Name: Karonga North

Number of Registered Voters 26,072

The northern Lakeshore area of the Karonga District, comprising the area of Chief Kilupula, and that part of Chief Kyungu's area which lies to the north of the Wayi stream.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 4

Name: Karonga South

Number of Registered Voters 23,852

The southern Lakeshore area of the Karonga District, comprising the area of Chief Mwafulirwa, including that part of Sub Chief Mwirang'ombe and that part of Chief Kyungu to the south of Wayi stream

CONSTITUENCY NO. 5

Name: Rumpi West

Number of Registered Voters 12,540

That part of the Rumpi District which lies to the north and west of the SOUTH RUKURU (RUNYINA) River and to the south of the Checheche stream and including the part of the Nyika Plateau within Rumpi District which lies to the west of a line drawn from Kasanga Hill (the northernmost point of Rumpi District) southwards to Mwenembe Hill, which is the source of the Checheche stream. The constituency comprises the whole area of Chief Ka tumbi, the area of Chief Chikulamayembe's own administration, the area of Sub Chief Mwahenga and that part of Sub Chief Mwalweni's area lying to the south of the Checheche stream.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 6 Name: Rumpi East

Number of Registered Voters 14,769

That part of the Rumpi District which lies to the East of a line drawn from Kasanga Hill (the northernmost point of Rumpi District) southwards to Mwenembe Hill, and to the east of the Checheche stream and South Rukuru (Runyina) River, containing the area of Sub Chief Mwankunikira, Sub Chief Mwalweni's area not included in the Rumpi West Constituency.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 7 Name: Mzimba North

Number of Registered Voters 8,211

The northern part of Mzimba District comprising the whole area of Chief Mperembe, Chief Mtwalo's own administration the area of Chief Mtwalo which lies west of the main road from Kafukule to Rumpi. The eastern boundary of the constituency would be the main road from Kafukule to Rumpi.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 8 Name: Mzimba North East

Number of Registered Voters 9,057

The northern part of Mzimba District which lies to the north east of Mzimba District east of the main road comprising of Luzi area, part of Chief Mtwalo lying east of the main road to Kafukule Station, Mzuzu Township, Ekwendeni Station part of Njuyu area to Phuzi in Vipya Highlands northern part of Sub Chief Sibande's area. In the east the boundary to follow the districts' boundary between Nkhata Bay and Mzimba Districts.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 9 Name: Mzimba Central

Number of Registered Voters 27,111

The area of Chief Chinde and that part of the area of Sub Chief Samson Sibande which lies to the south and west of the Mozera and Kasitu Rivers, but excluding any part of the Mzimba Government Forest Reserve.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 10

Name: Mzimba South

Number of Registered Voters 11,645

The area of Chief M'mbelwa's own administration, Chief Mzukuzuku, Mzimba Government Forest Reserve and that part of Chief Mzikubola's area excluding the eastern part of the main road from Kasungu to Mzimba comprising of Katete Mission.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 11

Name: Mzimba South East

Number of Registered Voters 8,043

The whole area of Chief Mabilabo in the extreme south east of Mzimba and that part of Chief Mzikubola, comprising of Katete Mission area, Champira, Makongera Station joining the district boundary near Lupache stream in the north.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 12

Name: Nkhata Bay North

Number of Registered Voters 43,554

The northern part of Nkhata Bay District from Malongowe stream in the north to Lweya stream whose source it is Mzimba/ Nkhata Bay District boundary to its confluence with the Chikangawa stream and thence in a straight line in an easterly direction to the source of Kawiya stream, in the Ruvuo Forest Reserve, and thence by the stream to Lake Malawi. This constituency contains the area of Chief Mankhambira, that part of the area of Chief Mbwana and that part of Chief Kabunduli which lies to the north of Chikangawa and Kawiya streams.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 13

Name: Nkhata Bay South

Number of Registered Voters 21,112

That part of the area of Chief Kabunduli which lies to the south of Chikangawa and Kawiya streams, together with the area of Chief Mpima, namely the Islands of Likoma and Chizumulu.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 14 Name: Kasungu North

Number of Registered Voters 14,338

The northern part of the Kasungu District, comprising the whole area of Chief Kaluluma and the whole area of Chief Chulu north of the Dwangwa River. Dwangwa River to form the boundary between the Northern and Western Constituencies.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 15 Name: Kasungu West

24,362

Number of Registered Voters

The western part of the Kasungu District, comprising of almost the whole area of Chief Mwase's own administration, part of the area of Sub Chief Njombwa west of the main road from Kasungu to Lilongwe and the whole area of Chief Santhe.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 16 Name: Kasungu East

11,204

Number of Registered Voters

The eastern part of the Kasungu District, comprising the whole area of Chief Wimbe, the area of Sub Chief Chilowamatambe, the area of Chief Kapelura, the eastern part of the area of Chief Mwase lying east of the main road from the Dwangwa River to Lilongwe excluding the Boma area.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 17 Name: Nkhotakota North

Number of Registered Voters 10,257

The northern part of the Nkhotakota District, comprising the whole areas of Chief Kanyenda, Sub Chief Kafuzira, Sub Chief Mphonde and that area in the hills in the extreme north of Kanyenda hills formerly under Kasungu East Constituency.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 18 Name: Nkhotakota South

Number of Registered Voters 25,464

The southern part of the Nkhotakota District, comprising the areas of Sub Chief Malengachanzi, Chief Mwadzama, Chief Mwansambo including the Boma area. The Kaombe stream to form the boundary between North and South Constituencies.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 19 Name: Ntchisi

Number of Registered Voters 61,007

The whole area of Ntchisi District.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 20 Name: Dowa West

Number of Registered Voters 51,759

The western part of Dowa District, comprising the whole areas of Chief Dzooole, Sub Chief Chakhadza, Sub Chief Kayembe and Sub Chief Chiponda.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 21 Name: Dowa East

Number of Registered Voters 44,651

The eastern part of Dowa District comprising the whole areas of Chief Msakambewa, Chief Chiwere, Sub Chief Mkukula and the Boma area.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 22 Name: Salima North

Number of Registered Voters 24,877

The northern part of Salima District, comprising the areas of Chief Khombedza, Sub Chief Msosa, Sub Chief Mwanza, Chief Kuluunda, Chief Karonga and the Boma area.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 23 Name: Salima South

Number of Registered Voters 24,876

The southern part of Salima District, comprising the areas of Chief Maganga, Chief Pemba, Sub Chief Kambwiri, Chief Ndindi and Sub Chief Kambalame.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 24 Name: Mchinji North

Number of Registered Voters 15,000

The northern part of the Mchinji District, comprising the whole area of Chief Mkanda and including the area of Sub Chief Dambe under Chief Mkanda.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 25 Name: Mchinji Central

Number of Registered Voters 15,756

The central part of the Mchinji District, comprising the Boma area, the whole area of Sub Chief Mduwa under Chief Zulu and the greater part of the area of Chief Zulu's own administration including the small area of Chief Mlonyeni lying north of Mchinji Boma but excluding the extreme southern part of the area of Chief Zulu.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 26 Name: Mchinji South

Number of Registered Voters 5,000

The southern part of the Mchinji District, comprising the whole area of Sub Chief Mawwere under Chief Mlonyeni and the southern part of the area of Chief Mlonyeni's own administration south of Mchinji Boma and that area of Chief Zulu to the extreme south projecting into the area of Chief Mlonyeni.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 27 Name: Lilongwe North

Number of Registered Voters 30,160

The northern part of the Lilongwe District, comprising the areas of Chief Chitukula, Chief Chimutu and that of the area of Chief Kalumba which is administered by Group Village Headman Njewa.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 28 Name: Lilongwe West

Number of Registered Voters 47,622

The western part of the Lilongwe District, comprising the areas of Chief Kalolo, Chief Khongoni and Chief Kabudula.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 29 Name: Lilongwe Town

Number of Registered Voters 59,227

The area of the Township of Lilongwe, as prescribed under the Townships Ordinance, Cap. 96.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 30 Name: Lilongwe East

Number of Registered Voters 14,902

The eastern part of the Lilongwe District, comprising the areas of Chief Mazengera (including Sub Chief Chitekwere) Chief Kalumbu (including Sub Chief Tsabango) Chief Chadza Nkwenda (excluding the area of Sub Chief Malili) and Chief Kalumba (excluding the area administered by Group Village Headman Njewa).

CONSTITUENCY NO. 31 Name: Lilongwe South

Number of Registered Voters 70,462

The southern part of the Lilongwe District, comprising the areas of ~~Chief~~ Msinja and ~~Chief~~ Chief Malili.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 32

Name: Dedza North

Number of Registered Voters 65,225

The northern part of Dedza District, comprising the whole areas of Chief Tambala and Chief Kaphuka.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 33

Name: Dedza West

Number of Registered Voters 62,145

The western part of Dedza District, comprising the whole area of Chief Pemba, (Sub Chief Chilikumwendo is included in the area).

CONSTITUENCY NO. 34

Name: Dedza Central

Number of Registered Voters 17,252

The central part of Dedza District, comprising of the Boma area, Chief Kasumbu and Sub Chief Kamenya Gwaza.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 35

Name: Dedza East

Number of Registered Voters 24,014

The eastern part of Dedza District, comprising the whole area of Chief Kachindamoto touching Lake Malawi in the east of the area.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 36

Name: Ncheu North

Number of Registered Voters 16,797

The northern part of the Ncheu District, comprising the areas of Chief Mambeya and Chief Masasa.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 37

Name: Ncheu Central

Number of Registered Voters 50,625

The central part of the Ncheu District, comprising the areas of Chief Njolomole and Chief Kwataine.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 38

Name: Ncheu South

Number of Registered Voters 17,425

The southern part of the Ncheu District, comprising the areas of Chief Phambala and Chief Mpando.

CONSTITUENCY NO.39:

Name: Fort Johnston West

Number of Registered Voters 43,840

The western part of the Fort Johnston District, which lies to the west of the Shire River together with the small area on the eastern bank of the River near its mouth, comprising the areas of Chief Mbona, Sub-Chief Chimwala and Chief Namkumba.

CONSTITUENCY NO.40:

Name: Fort Johnston East:

Number of Registered Voters 63,426

The eastern part of the Fort Johnston District, which lies to the east of the Shire River, excluding the small area of Chief Mbona across the Shire River, comprising the areas of Chief Mekanjila, Chief Katuli and Chief Jalasi.

CONSTITUENCY NO.41:

Name: Kasupe West:

Number Of Registered Voters 42,263

That part of Kasupe District which lies to the west of the Shire River comprising the areas of Chief Msamala and Chief Kalembo.

CONSTITUENCY NO.42:

Name: Kasupe East:

Number of Registered Voters 62,428

That part of Kasupe District which lies to the east of the Shire River, comprising the areas of Chief Liwonde, Chief Kawinga and Chief Nyambi.

CONSTITUENCY NO.43:

Name: Zomba West:

Number of Registered Voters 38,623

The north western part of Zomba District, comprising the area of Chief Mlumba, together with the whole area of the Planning Area of Zomba, as prescribed under the Town and Country Planning Ordinance, Cap.98.

CONSTITUENCY NO.44:

Name: Zomba South:

Number of Registered Voters 41,124

The southern part of Zomba District, comprising the area of Chief Chikowi, but excluding any part of Zomba Planning Area.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 45 Name: Zomba East

Number of Registered Voters 51,036

The eastern part of Zomba District, comprising the areas of Chief Malemia, Chief Kuntumanji and Chief Mwambo, but excluding any part of the Zomba Planning Area.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 46 Name: Chiradzulu

Number of Registered Voters 65,408

The whole of Chiradzulu District.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 47 Name: Blantyre City East

Number of Registered Voters 17,268

The eastern part of the City of Blantyre within the City boundary, comprising the areas of Limbe, Soche Hill College, Kanjedza and all the areas east of the road from Ndirande mountain joining Makata Road, Mudi Dam to be in the east, then Kwacha Road to Soche Hill. Outside the City boundary to include the eastern part of the area of Chief Somba known as Soche area and that part of the area of Chief Machinjili comprising the areas of Village Headmen Anderson, Mpoto, Namtoka, Wasiri and Chauwa.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 48 Name: Blantyre City West

Number of Registered Voters 25,267

The western part of the City of Blantyre within the City boundary, comprising the areas of Blantyre, Soche, Zingwangwa, Sunny Side, Namiwawa, Nyambadwe, Ndirande west of the road from Ndirande mountain. The boundary to follow a straight line to the confluence of Makalanga and Lunzu streams (Village Headman Robert to be in the west) from the confluence of Makalanga and Lunzu streams to follow Lunzu stream to the next confluence of Lunzu and Maone streams then from the confluence of Lunzu and Maone streams eastwards to Chileka Road passing Nkhumbwe School in Chief Kapeni's area, joining the Main Blantyre/Chileka Road at the Dipping Tank straight to Michiru Hills then Mitsidi Mission Station to follow the chiefs boundary joining the area between Chiefs Somba and Kuntaja, including the western part of Chief Somba known as Ntonda area.

CONSTITUENCY NO.49:

Name: Blantyre Rural:

Number of Registered Voters 50,613

The areas of Chiefs Kunthembwe, Kuntaja, Kapeni, Machinjili, Makata, Lundu and Chigaru which are not included in the Blantyre City East and West Constituencies.

CONSTITUENCY NO.50:

Name: Neno:

Number of Registered Voters 9,125

The areas of Chief Mlauli, Chief Chekucheku and Chief Symon Iikongwe

CONSTITUENCY NO.51:

Name: Mwanza:

Number of Registered Voters 11,425

The areas of Chief Ntchache, Chief Kanduku and Chief Dambe.

CONSTITUENCY NO.52:

Name: Cholo North

Number of Registered Voters 51,713

The northern part of Cholo District, comprising the areas of Chief Bvumbwe, Chief Chimaliro and Chief Nchilamwera.

CONSTITUENCY NO.53:

Name: Cholo South:

Number of Registered Voters 57,633

The southern part of Cholo District, comprising the areas of Chief Khonjeni, Chief Nsabwe and Chief Changata.

CONSTITUENCY NO.54:

Name: Mlanje North:

Number of Registered Voters 65,355

The northern part of Mlanje District, comprising the areas of Chief Nazombe and Chief Mkhumba.

CONSTITUENCY NO.55:

Name: Mlanje West:

Number of Registered Voters 69,821

The western part of Mlanje District, comprising the areas of Chief Chikumbu, Chief Mtirmanja and Chief Mkanda.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 56

Name: Mlanje South

Number of Registered Voters 60,603

The southern part of Mlanje District, comprising the area of Chief Mabuka including the area of Sub Chief Laston Njema.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 57

Name: Chikwawa North

Number of Registered Voters 36,892

The northern part of Chikwawa District, comprising the areas of Chief Chapananga, Chief Masseah, Chief Katunga and Chief Kasisi.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 58

Name: Chikwawa South

Number of Registered Voters 39,597

The southern part of Chikwawa District, comprising the areas of Chief Ngabu and Paramount Chief Lundu's own administration.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 59

Name: Nsanje North

Number of Registered Voters 28,497

That part of Nsanje District which lies to the north of Nchekamalembo stream, comprising the areas of Chief Mlolo, Sub Chief Mbenje and Chief Tengani.

CONSTITUENCY NO. 60

Name: Nsanje South

Number of Registered Voters 28,240

That part of Nsanje District which lies to the south of Nchekamalembo stream, comprising the areas of Chief Malemia Chief Ngabu and Sub Chief Makoko.

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE DELIMITATION OF CONSTITUENCIES
BY THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

1. In the delimitation of constituencies the Commission shall have to regard to:
 - (a) The number of persons registered as voters and those persons who will be qualified to register as voters from September 1970 in any registration district.
 - (b) The area it comprises.
 - (c) The ease of communication within the registration district or sub district.
 - (d) The feeling of the people in any registration district or sub district.
2. The purposes of the delimitation of constituencies are:
 - (a) To increase the existing constituencies from 50 to 60.
 - (b) To conduct a general review of the existing constituency boundaries before the 1971 General Elections.
 - (c) That each constituency shall return a single Member to the National Assembly.
 - (d) That each constituency shall comprise a single area of the country but may include an adjacent island.
 - (e) That each constituency shall, as far as possible, be so delimited as to comprise one or more registration sub districts and unless there are special reasons to the contrary no sub district shall be divided between constituencies.
 - (f) That constituencies shall in general be delimited to conform to the boundaries of administrative districts and unless there are special reasons to the contrary a constituency boundary should not transgress the boundary of an administrative district.
 - (g) That in describing the constituency the Commission shall list the Chiefs and Sub Chiefs areas to be contained in each constituency.
3. The Commission shall not question the accuracy of any boundary described or map of any registration district or sub district if the Registration Officer of that district, the Chairman of the District Council, the District Chairman of the Malawi Congress Party and the Chiefs for that district certify that the boundaries of such district or sub district are well known to the inhabitants thereof.

APPENDIX B.

ITINERARY FOR NORTHERN REGION

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Karonga	17th April, 1970
Chitipa	18th April, 1970
Rumphi	20th April, 1970
Nkhata Bay	21st April, 1970
Mzimba	22nd & 23rd April, 1970

ITINERARY FOR CENTRAL REGION

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Ncheu	31st May, 1970
Dedza	31st May, 1970
Lilongwe	1st June, 1970
Dowa	1st June, 1970
Salima	2nd June, 1970
Ntchisi	2nd June, 1970
Nkhota Kota	3rd June, 1970
Kasungu	3rd June, 1970
Mchinji	4th June, 1970
Ncheu	5th November, 1970
Mchinji	6th November, 1970
Kasungu	18th November, 1970

ITINERARY FOR SOUTHERN REGION

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Fort Johnston	19th May, 1970
Kasupe	20th May, 1970
Zomba	21st May, 1970
Chiradzulu	22nd May, 1970
Cholo	23rd May, 1970
Chikwawa	24th May, 1970
Nsanje	25th May, 1970
Fort Johnston	29th May, 1970
Zomba	13th August, 1970