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INTRODUCTORY LETTER TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIFE OF PRESIDENT BY THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF DELIMITATION

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His Excellency the Life President, Ngwazi Dr. H. Kamuzu Banda, State House, ZOMBA.

Your Excellency,

ELECTORAL COMMISSION - DELINEATION OF CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARIES IN SELECTED DISTRICTS, AUGUST TO SEPTEMBER, 1982

We have the honour to present our report on the delimitation of constituencies. The Speaker of the National Assembly and the Regional Ministers on one hand, and Your Excellency's Commission on the other hand, had a number of discussions regarding the unsatisfactory condition of boundaries of certain constituencies. We reported to Your Excellency about these and Your Excellency approved that we should visit these constituencies. We's therefore, set out for a country tour from August to September last year. Our main purpose during the tour that time was to delimit constituencies in order to accommodate the new additional constituencies which were suggested by the Regional Ministers.

- 2. During the tour, we kept ourselves mindful of the terms of reference whereby we had regard to:-
 - (a) The districts specifically to be visited;

- The number of persons registered as voters in any registration district;
- (c) The area it comprises;
- (d). The case of communications within the area;
- The feelings of the people in the area;
- To increase the existing constituencies from 87 to not more than 116;
- To adjust existing constituency boundaries in the districts specified in the Programme;
- (h) That each constituency should return a single member to the National Assembly;
- That each constituency should comprise a single area of the country but that it may include adjacent island or islands;
- That constituencies should be delineated in such a way as to conform to the boundaries of administrative districts, unless there are special reasons to the contrary;
- The boundaries should not transgress the: boundaries of an administration district;
- That in describing the constituency, chiefs and sub-chiefs of each constituency should be listed; and
- That the Commission should have discretion, after careful examination, to accept or reject the proposals given by the people.
- Wherever we visited people were eager to have

additional constituencies but Your Excellency's Commission's recommendations are as set out below from a page 7.

We had a successful tour and wish to record below a comparison between the present number of constituencies and what the position will be during the General Elections this year.

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<u>District</u>	Number of Constituencies During General Elections 1976	Number of Constituencie in 1982
Chitipa	3	3
Karonga	3	3
Rumphi	3	3
Mzimba	. 6	7
Nkhata Bay	3	4
Kasungu	5	. 6
Nkhotakota	3	3
Ntchisi	2	3
Dowa	3	4
Salima	3	3
Mchinji	4	4
Lilongwe	6	8
Dedza	5	6 ,
Ntcheu	4	5
Mangochi	4	5
Machinga	4	5
Zomba	4	5
Chiradzulu	2	2
Blantyre	4	4
Mwanza	3	3
Thyolo	3	4
Mulanje	4	5
Chikwawa	3	3
Nsanje		3
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has a number of parts. The first part, which is the main part, consists of brief summaries of views by leaders in each district we visited on the question of the provision of additional or adjustment of constituencies in their districts and our recommendations regarding the constituency boundaries. The second part consists of a full revised list of constituencies for the whole country in preparation for this year's General Elections. Each constituency is named and described. The rest of the

Appendix "A" : Terms of Reference for the

Delineation of Constituencies

by the Electoral Commission.

Appendix "B" : Electoral Commission Tour

Programme, August to September,

1982.

- 6. We would like to place on record our thanks for the co-operation we received from the Speaker of Parliament, Regional Ministers, Ministers, Members of Parliament, Party and Local Authority officials and all who gave their evidence and assistance to us.
- 7. We again wish to convey to Your Excellency messages of profound gratitude and appreciation sent by all the people in the country for what you have done and are still doing for them which has resulted in the tremendous economic, social and political development which this country now enjoys.

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CHITIPA

Number of registered voters - 41,057

8. Since we visited Chitipa in 1975, there have been no complaints from that district and we did not, therefore, visit it in 1982. In this case, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Chitipa District should still remain as follows:-

(a) Chitipa East

The eastern part of Chitipa District comprising the whole area of Chief Mwenemisuku.

(b) Chitipa South

The southern part of Chitipa District comprising the areas of Chief Mwenewenya and Chief Nthalire.

(c) Chitipa North

The northern part of Chitipa District comprising the areas of Chief Mwaulambya and Chief Kameme.

KARONGA

Number of registered voters - 80,771

9. Like Chitipa, we did not visit Karonga in 1982. In this case we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Karonga District should remain as they were, comprising the following areas:-

(a) · Karonga North

The northern part of Karonga District comprising the areas of Chief Kilupula and Sub-Chief Mwakaboko.

(b) Karonga Central

The central part of Karonga District comprising the areas of Chief Kyungu and Sub-Chief Karonga.

(c) Karonga South

The southern part of Karonga District comprising the areas of Sub-Chief Mwirang'ombe and Chief Mwafulirwa.

RUMPHI

Number of registered voters - 39,827

10. Rumphi is also one of the districts which we did not visit in 1982. In this case, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in that district should remain as they were:-

(a) Rumphi East

The eastern part of Rumphi District comprising the whole areas of Chief Mwamlowe, Sub-Chiefs Chapinduka, Mwalweni and Kachulu, including Livingstonia Mission Station.

(b) Rümphi Central

The central part of Rumphi District

comprising the whole areas of Sub-Chief
Mwahenga, Sub-Chief Mwankhunikila and part
of Chief Chikulamayembe's own administrative
area which is in the Henga Valley including
the Boma area up to Lunyina River.

(c) Rumphi West

The western part of Rumphi District comprising the remaining area of Chief Chikulamayembe's own administrative area from Lunyina River and the whole area of Chief Katumbi.

MZIMBA

Number of registered voters - 137,816

- 11. We first visited Mzimba in 1975 during which time an additional constituency was created in the district to give a total of six constituencies. In 1982 we again visited Mzimba with a view to splitting Mzimba South Constituency into two, as it was large, and then adjusting the boundaries of Mzimba Central Constituency.
- 12. After hearing the suggestions of the leaders there, we now wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the Constituencies in Mzimba District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Mzimba North

The northern part of Mzimba District comprising the area of Sub-Chief Jaravikuba

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and the central part of Chief Mtwalo.

(b) Mzimba East

The eastern part of Mzimba District comprising the whole of Mzuzu Municipality, Lupaso/Choma, Ekwendeni, Chigude, Nyuyu areas including Ekwendeni Mission Station, and Chikangawa area in Mzimba District.

(c) Mzimba West

The western part of Mzimba District comprising the areas of Chief Mpherembe and the southern part of Chief Mtwalo's area which includes Kafukule.

(d) Mzimba Central

The central part of Mzimba District comprising 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, respectively, but excluding Chikangawa and any part of the Mzimba Government Forest Reserve.

(e) Mzimba South

The southern part of Mzimba District comprising the areas of Inkosi Mzukuzuku, Inkosi Mzikubora and the Kapopo Ward in Inkosi ya Makosi M'mbelwa.

(f) Mzimba South-West

The south-western part of Mzimba District

comprising the area of Inkosi ya Makosi
M'mbelwa, including the Boma, and the areas
of Group Village Headman Daniel Gausi in
Thkosi Mzukubora and Village Headmen Thaja
Chavura, Ezekiel Mwanza, Tadeyo Chakwira and
Mzulidi Ndhlovu around Mbwiliwiza in
Inkosi Mtwalo.

(g) Mzimba South-East

The south-eastern part of Mzimba District comprising the whole area of Chief Mabulabo.

NKHATA BAY

Number of registered voters - 81,816

- 13. Nkhata Bay is one of the districts were visited in 1982 in order to determine how Nkhata Bay Central Constituency, which was very large, could be split into two.
- 14. Having taken all the suggestions of the leaders into consideration, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Nkhata Bay District should be demarcated as follows:-

(a) <u>Nkhata Bay North</u>

The northern part of Nkhata Bay District comprising the areas of Sub-Chief Mkondowe, Chief Bogyoyo and Chief Musisya.

(b) Nkhata Bay East

The eastern part of Nkhata Bay District previously known as Nkhata Bay Central Constituency, comprising the areas of Chief Mankhambira, Sub-Chief Mkumbira, Sub-Chief Fukamalaza, and the two Islands of Likoma and Chizumulo under Chief Mkumpha together with that of Village Headman Khoza in Chief Timbiri.

(c) Nkhata Bay West

The western part of Nkhata Bay District formerly part of Nkhata Bay Central Constituency, comprising the areas of Chiefs Kabunduli and Timbiri, but excluding the area of Village Headman Khoza in Chief Timbiri which forms part of Nkhata Bay East Constituency.

(d) Nkhata Bay South

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The southern part of Nkhata Bay District comprising the areas of Chief Fukamapiri, Chief Malenga Mzoma, Sub-Chief Zilakoma and Sub-Chief Malanda.

KASUNGU

Number of registered voters - 110,737

15. We visited Kasungu in 1982 and held discussions with the leaders with a view to splitting Kasungu South

Constituency into two as it was very large.

16. Having considered all the suggestions presented by the leaders, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Kasungu District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Kasungu North

The northern part of Kasungu District comprising the areas of Sub-Chief Chisikwa, Chief Kaluluma and Sub-Chief Simulemba.

(b) Kasungu North-West

The north-western part of Kasungu District comprising the area of Chief Chulu and that of Sub-Chief Mnyanja in Chief Kaluluma.

The western part of Kasungu District

(c) Kasungu West

comprising the whole area of Chief Kaomba's own administration, the whole area of Kasungu Township or Boma area (whose boundaries are Chitete Stream in the east, Kabvunguti Bridge in the south and Chankanga Stream in the north), and the northern part of the area of Sub-Chief Kawamba in Chief Kaomba, lying north of the Kasungu/Mchinji road. The boundary between the east and west constituencies should be a line drawn along the existing boundary between the area of Chief Kaomba and Chief Wimbe excluding

that part of Chief Wimbe's area now under

Kasungu Township west of Chitete/Kabvunguti Stream.

(d) Kasungu East

The eastern part of Kasungu District comprising the areas of Chief Kapelula, Chief Wimbe and that part of the area of Sub-Chief Chilowamatambe in Chief Kaomba, lying north of the Kasungu/Nkhotakota road. The boundary between the east and south constituencies should be a line drawn along the Kasungu/Nkhotakota road.

(e) Kasungu South

The southern part of Kasungu District comprising the whole area of Chief Santhe.

(f) Kasungu South-East

The south-eastern part of Kasungu District which was previously part of Kasungu South Constituency comprising the remaining area of Sub-Chief Chilowamatambe and Sub-Chief Njombwa in Chief Kaomba, and the remaining part of Chief Kaomba's area which does not form part of either Kasungu East Constituency or Kasungu West Constituency.

NKHOTAKOŤA

Number of registered voters - 55,961

17. We also visited Nkhotakota in 1982 with a view

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to adjusting the boundary between Nkhotakota North Constituency and Nkhotakota Central Constituency.

18. Having considered all the suggestions given by the leaders, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Nkhotakota District should be demarcated as follows:-

(a) Nkhotakota North

The northern part of Nkhotakota District comprising the whole area of Chief Kanyenda and Sub-Chief Kafuzira.

(b) Nkhotakota Central

The central part of Nkhotakota District comprising the whole area of Chief Malengachanzi and Sub-Chief Mphonde.

(c) Nkhotakota South

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The southern part of Nkhotakota District comprising the whole area of Chief Mwadzama and that of Sub-Chief Mwansambo.

NTCHISI

Number of registered voters - 79,251

- 19. We visited Ntchisi in 1982 to discuss with the leaders how Ntchisi West, which was very large, could be split into two.
- 20. Having considered the suggestions of the leaders, we recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies

of Ntchisi Distrizt should be delimited as follows:-

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(a) <u>Ntchisi North</u> The northern part of Ntchisi District previously known as Ntchisi West. Constituency comprising the whole area of Sub-Chief Chilowoko in Chief Kalumo's

- (b) <u>Ntchisi South</u>

 The southern part of Ntchisi District comprising the whole area of Chief Kalumo.
- The eastern part of Ntchisi District comprising the areas of Chief Kasakula, Chief Chikho and Sub-Chief Nthondo.

DOWA

Number of registered voters - 146,919

- 21. We visited Dowa in 1982 in order to determine how Dowa West Constituency, which was very large, could be split into two parts.
- Having considered the suggestions of the leaders, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Dowa District should now be demarcated as follows:-
 - (a) Dowa North

The northern part of Dowa District

comprising the whole area of Sub-Chief Chakhaza in Chief Dzoole, including Dzoole East Ward.

(b) Dowa West

The western part of Dowa District comprising the remaining area of Chief Dzoole, including the area of Sub-Chief Kayembe.

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(c) Dowa Central

The central part of Dowa District comprising the area of Chief Msakambewa, the Boma area, starting from Kasangadzi River following Bwantaka to Themba River up to the Boma Hills and the area of Sub-Chief Mponela, including the western part of the area of Sub-Chief Mkukula.

(d) Dowa East

The eastern part of Dowa District comprising the whole area of Chief Chiwele and the eastern part of Sub-Chief Mkukula.

SALIMA

Number of registered voters - 84,420

23. Since there was no discrepancy in Salima necessitating our consultation, we did not visit that district

in 1982. This being the case, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Salima District should remain as they were, and details are given below.

(a) Salima North

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The northern part of Salima District comprising the area of Chief Khombedza, Sub-Chief Msosa and Sub-Chief Mwanza.

(b) Salima Central

The central part of Salima District comprising the areas of Chief Karonga, Chief Maganga and Chief Bibi Kuluunda.

(c) Salima South

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

MCHINJI

Number of registered voters - 71,426

- 24. We visited Mchinji in 1982 because certain constituency boundaries needed adjustment.
- 25. Having taken into consideration the suggestions given by the leaders in the district; we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Mchinji District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Mchinji North

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

(b) Mchinji West

The western part of Mchinji District comprising the areas of Chief Zulu and Chief Mlonyeni but excluding Chimimbe Council Ward.

(c) Mchinji East

The eastern part of Mchinji-District comprising the whole area of Sub-Chief Mduwa.

(d) Mchinji South

The southern part of Mchinji District comprising the whole area of Sub-Chief Mavwere, including Chimimbe Council Ward in Chief Mlonyeni's area.

LILONGWE

Number of registered voters - 442,472

- We visited Lilongwe in 1982 in order to discuss with the leaders how Lilongwe West Constituency, which was very large, could be split into two, and after that review the boundaries of the other constituencies.
- 27. Having considered all the suggestions presented by

the leaders, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that constituencies in Lilongwe District should now be delimited as follows:-

(a) <u>Lilongwe North</u> The northern part of Lilongwe District comprising the whole area of Chief Chimutu.

(b) Lilongwe City North The northern part of Lilongwe City comprising the area from Lingadzi River and the whole area of Chief Chitukula and Sub-Chief Ntema.

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Co Lilongwe City South The southern part of Lilongwe City comprising the remaining part of the City from Lingadzi River as far south as the City's boundary.

(d) <u>Lilongwe West</u> The western part of Lilongwe District comprising the areas of Chief Kalolo, Chief Malili and Sub-Chief Njewa.

(e) <u>Lilongwe North-West</u> The north-western part of Lilongwe District comprising the areas of Chief Khongoni and Chief Kabudula.

(f) <u>Lilongwe Central</u>

The central part of Lilongwe District

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comprising the areas of Chief Chadza, Chief Kalumbu and Chief Kalumba but excluding the area under Sub-Chief Tsabango in Chief Kalumba's area.

(g) Lilongwe East

The eastern part of Lilongwe District comprising the areas of Chief Mazengela, Sub-Chief Chitekwele and Sub-Chief Tsabango in Chief Kalumbu's area.

(h) Lilongwe South

The southern part of Lilongwe District comprising the whole area of Chief Chiseka.

DEDZA

Number of registered voters - 246,257

- We visited Dedza in 1982 in order to discusss with the leaders how Dedza West Constituency, which was vast, could be split into two.
- 29. Having taken into consideration all the suggestions presented to us by the leaders, we now wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Dedza District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Dedza North

The northern part of Dedza District comprising the whole area of Chief Tambala.

(b) Dedza East

The eastern part of Dedza District comprising the whole area of Chief Kachindamoto.

(c) Dedza Central

The central part of Dedza District comprising the whole area of Chief Kaphuka.

(d) <u>Dedza West</u>

The western part of Dedza District comprising the whole area of Sub-Chief Chilikumwendo including Lifidzi West Council Ward in the area of Chief Pemba.

(e) Dedza South-West

The south-western part of Dedza District comprising the area of Chief Pemba, but excluding Lifidzi West Council Ward and also excluding the area of Village Headman Kapesi.

(f) Dedza South

The southern part of Dedza District comprising the whole area of Chief Kasumbu and the area of Sub-Chief Kamenya Gwaza, including the area of Village Headman Kapesi in Chief Pemba's area.

NTCHEU

Number of registered voters - 118,396

- 30. We visited Ntcheu in 1982 to determine how Ntcheu North Constituency, which was very large, could be split into two.
- Having considered all the suggestions presented to us by the leaders, we now wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Ntcheu District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Ntcheu North

The northern part of Ntcheu District comprising the areas of Chief Chakhumbira and Chief Masasa.

(b) Ntcheu East

The eastern part of Ntcheu District comprising the areas of Sub-Chief Ganya in Chief Chakhumbira, Sub-Chief Makwangwala in Chief Kwataine, and the area of Group Village Headman Yesaya in Chief Masasa.

(c) Ntcheu Central

The central part of Ntcheu District
comprising the whole area of Chief
Njolomole and the remaining area of
Chief Kwataine but excluding the area

surrounding the Boma which forms part of the western constituency.

(d) Ntcheu West

The western part of Ntcheu District comprising the whole area of Chief

Mpando, including the Boma area and the neighbouring villages which form

District Council Ward 4 in Chief Kwataine and the area under Village Headman Chabwera in Chief Phambala's area.

(e) Ntcheu South

The southern part of Ntcheu District comprising the areas of Chief Phambala and Sub-Chief Champiti but excluding the area under Village Headman Chabwera in Chief Phambala's area.

MANGOCHI

Number of registered voters - 162,288

- 32. We visited Mangochi in 1982 to discuss with the leaders how we could split Mangochi South Constituency as it was very large compared with the other constituencies.
- Having considered all the suggestions made by the leaders there, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Mangochi District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Mangochi West

The western part of Mangochi District comprising the whole area of Chief Namkumba.

(b) Mangochi Central

The central part of Mangochi District comprising the areas of Chiefs Mponda and Chimwala but excluding the Village of Ku Bala in Chief Mponda.

(c) Mangochi North

The northern part of Machochi District comprising the whole areas of Chief Makanjila, Sub-Chief Chowe, Sub-Chief Namabvi, and the Village of Ku Bala in Chief Mponda.

(d) Mangochi East

The eastern part of Mangochi District comprising the whole area of Chief Katuli and the following villages in Chief Jalasi: Kumponda, Ifa, Kwilembe, Idurusi, Mchenga, Mkata and Ng'ombo.

(e) Mangochi South

The southern part of Mangochi District comprising the remaining area of Chief Jalasi including the whole area of Sub-Chief M'bwana Nyambi.

MACHINGA

Number of registered voters - 194,664

- We visited Machinga in 1982 and held discussions with the leaders to see how Machinga South and Machinga East could be adjusted in order to make room for another constituency in the district as these two constituencies were large.
- 35. Having considered all the suggestions given to us by the leaders, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the present boundaries of the constituencies in Machinga District should be as follows:-

(a) Machinga North

The northern part of Machinga District comprising the whole area of Chief Kalembo and that part of Chief Msamala's area lying north of the Zomba/Lilongwe road, including Balaka Township.

(b) Machinga West

The western part of Machinga District comprising the area of Chief Msamala but excluding that part north of Zomba/Lilongwe road which forms part of Machinga North Constituency.

(c) <u>Machinga Central</u>

The central part of Machinga District comprising the whole area of Chief Liwonde

and the area of Sub-Chief Mlomba, together with the whole area of Chief Nyambi and that of Sub-Chief Chiwalo.

... (d) <u>Machinga</u> East

The eastern part of Machinga District comprising the whole area of Chief Kawinga and the areas of Sub-Chiefs Ngokwe and Chikwewo.

(e) Machinga South

The southern part of Machinga District comprising the areas of Sub-Chief Sitola, Sub-Chief Chamba, Sub-Chief Mposa in Chief Liwonde's area, including Liwonde Township.

ZOMBA

Number of registered voters - 198,567.

- 36. We visited Zomba in 1982 with the aim of consulting the leaders on how we should adjust the boundaries of Zomba West and Zomba South Constituencies, which were large, in order to make room for a new constituency in the district.
- 37. Having taken all the suggestions of the leaders into consideration, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Zomba District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Zomba North

The northern part of Zomba District comprising the areas of Chiefs Malemia and Kuntumanji but excluding the villages which form part of the Municipality of Zomba.

(b) Zomba East

The eastern part of Zomba District comprising the area of Chief Mwambo but excluding the villages which form part of the Municipality of Zomba.

The central part of Zomba District

(c) Zomba Central

comprising the whole area of the Municipality of Zomba together with Zomba Plateau and other parts surrounding the Municipality of Zomba from Chiefs Mlumbe, Chikowi, Mwambo, Kuntumanji and Malemia. Beginning at Nankhunda Seminary in Chief Mlumbe's area, the boundary will run southwards through the following Villages: Masanjala, Kaunde, Mjojo, Chikwenga, Nkomoma, M'bwana and Chidothe; and in Chief Chikowi's area it will continue through these Villages: Msosa, Chipeta, Chidothe, Makanjira, Kampaliro, Gremu, cross Nalikukuta Stream to Namikango Trading Centre in Chief Chikowi. Chief Mwambo's area, it will pass through thes those

Villages: Mingu II, Makimolesi, Binali, Elioti, Nambesa, Milioti and Mulosola. In Chief Kuntumanji's area it will pass through Nazinomwe Village and in Chief Malemia's area it will pass through Chipanda and Malonje Villages.

(d) Zomba West

The western part of Zomba District comprising the area of Chief Mlumbe excluding those villages which now form part of the Central Constituency.

(e) Zomba South

The southern part of Zomba District comprising the area of Chief Chikowi and Sub-Chief Mbiza but excluding the villages of Chief Chikowi which now form part of the Central Constituency.

CHIRADZULU

Number of registered voters - 95,770

38. Since we did not visit Chiradzulu in 1982, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in that district should remain what they were before:-

(a) Chiradzulu North

The northern part of Chiradzulu District comprising the areas of Chiefs Mchema,

Chitera, Mpama, including small areas of Chiefs Kadewere and Likoswe lying south of the Chilembwe Road.

(b) Chiradzulu South

The southern part of Chiradzulu District comprising the area of Chief Mkalo and the remaining areas of Chief Kadewere and Chief Likoswe. The boundary between the two constituencies being along the Chilembwe Road.

BLANTYRE

Number of registered voters - 196,151

39. We did not visit Blantyre in 1982 and this being the case, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Blantyre District should remain what they were before:-

(a) Blantyre North

The northern part of Blantyre District comprising the whole areas of Chiefs Chigaru, Lundu, Makata and parts of the areas of Chiefs Machinjili, Kapeni and Kuntaja which are outside the City of Blantyre boundary excluding the Council Ward along Mitsidi Hill.

(b) Blantyre West

The western part of Blantyre District comprising the area of Chief Kunthembwe and the southern part of Chief Somba's area which is outside the City of Blantyre Boundary and including Mitsidi Council Ward.

(c) Blantyre City East

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 part of the area of
Chief Machinjili comprising the areas of
Villaged Headmen Anderson, Mpoto,
Namtoka, Wasiri and Chauwa.

(d) Blantyre City Central

The central part of the City of Blantyre within the City boundary, comprising the following areas of Blantyre West: Soche, Zingwangwa, Sunny-Side, Namiwawa, Nyambadwe, Ndirande Mountain joining Makata Road, Mudi Dam to be in the East, then following

Kwacha Road to Soche Hill. 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 the next confluence of Lunzu and Maone Streams then from the confluence of Lunzu and Maone Streams eastwards to Chileka road passing Nkhumbe 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 Chief's boundary joining the area between Chiefs Somba and Kuntaja, including the western part of Chief Somba known as Ntonda area.

MWANZA

Number of registered voters - 33,508.

40. In 1982 we did not visit Mwanza because there was nothing wrong with the constituencies. In this respect, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Mwanza District should remain as they were in the past, following this order:-

(a) <u>Mwanza East</u>

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The eastern part of Mwanza District

comprising the areas of Chief Symon and Chief Ngozi.

- The central part of Mwanza District comprising the areas of Chief Dambe and Chief Mlauli.
- (c) Mwanza West

 The western part of Mwanza District

 comprising the areas of Chief Nthache

 and Chief Kanduku.

THYOLO

Number of registered voters - 169,497

- We visited Thyolo in 1982 in order to discuss with the leaders how Thyolo South Constituency, which was very large, could be split into two.
- Having considered the suggestions of the leaders on this question, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Thyolo District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Thyolo North

The northern part of Thyolo District comprising the whole areas of Chiefs Brumbwe and Thomas and parts of Chief Chimaliro's area known as Chimvu and Muonekera District Council Wards.

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(b) Thyolo Central

The central part of Thyolo District comprising the whole areas of Chiefs Ngamwane, Mchilamwera and Chimaliro but excluding Chimvu and Muonekera District Council Wards of Chief Chimaliro.

(c) Thyolo West

The western part of Thyolo District comprising the areas of Sub-Chief Khwetemule and Sub-Chief Mphuka in Chief Changata's area.

(d) Thyolo South

The southern part of Thyolo District comprising the whole area of Chief Nsabwe and the remaining area of Chief Changata, including the areas of Sub-Chief Thukuta and Sub-Chief Mbawela in Chief Nsabwe.

MULANJE

Number of registered voters - 279,153

We visited Mulanje in 1982 in order to discuss with the leaders how Mulanje West Constituency, which was vast, could be split into two parts.

Having considered all the suggestions made to us by the leaders, we now wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Mulanje District should be delimited as follows:-

(a) Mulanje East

The eastern part of Mulanje District comprising the area of Sub-Chief Njema and part of the area of Chief Nazombe up to Mauzi swamp.

(b) Mulanje North

The northern part of Mulanje District comprising the remaining area of Chief Nazombe and the remaining area of Chief Mkhumba.

(c) <u>Mulanje West</u>

The western part of Mulanje District comprising Mkanda East Council Ward, Mkanda South-East-Council Ward, Mkanda South Council Ward in Chief Mkanda, Chikumbu North Council Ward in Chief Chikumbu, and the whole area of Chief Mthiramanja.

(d) Mulanje Central

The central part of Mulanje District comprising Mkanda West Council Ward and Mkanda North Council Ward in Chief Mkanda, and Mkhumba West Council Ward and Mkhumba Central Council Ward in Chief Mkhumba.

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(e) Mulanje South

The southern part of Mulanje District

comprising the whole area of Chief

Mabuka including Chikumbu South

Council Ward.

CHIKWAWA

Number of registered voters - 125,237

- 45. We visited Chikwawa in 1982 in order to adjust the boundaries of the constituencies.
- 46. Since our discussions with the leaders showed that there was nothing wrong with the present constituency boundaries, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Chikwawa District should remain as they were:-
 - (a) Chikwawa East

The eastern part of Chikwawa District comprising the areas of Chiefs Makuwira, Maseya, Katunga and Kasisi, including the Boma area.

(b) Chikwawa West

The western part of Chikwawa District comprising the area of Chief Chapananga.

(c) Chikwawa South

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The southern parts of Chikwawa District

comprising the area of Chief Ngabu.

NSANJE

Number of registered voters - 86,946

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47. We did not visit Nsanje in 1982. In this case, we wish to recommend to Your Excellency that the constituencies in Nsanje District should remain as they were before:-

(a) Nsanje North

The northern part of Nsanje District comprising the whole area of Chief Mlolo including the Bangula District Council Ward in Sub-Chief Mbenje's area.

(b) Nsanje Central

The central part of Nsanje District comprising the whole area of Chief Tengani and the area under Sub-Chief Mbenje but excluding the Bangula District Council Ward.

(c) Nsanje South

The southern part of Nsanje District comprising the areas of Chiefs Malemia, Chimombo, Ndamera, Nyachikadza, Ngabu and Sub-Chief Makoko.

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE DELINEATION OF CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARIES BY THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION IN SELECTED DISTRICTS

In the delineation of constituency boundaries the Commission shall have regard to:-

- (a) The district specified in the Programme.
- (b) The number of persons registered as voters. ...
 in any registration district.
- (c) The area in comprises.
- (d) The case of communications within the area.
- (e) The feelings of the people in the area.
 - (a) To increase the existing constituencies from 87 to not more than 116.
 - (b) To adjust existing constituency boundaries in the districts specified in the Programme.
 - (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 that it may include adjacent island or islands.
 - (e) That constituencies shall be delineated in such a way as to conform to the boundaries of administrative districts, unless there are special reasons to the contrary.

- (f) The boundaries shall not transgress the boundaries of an administration district.
- (g) In describing the constituency,
 the Commission shall list the Chiefs
 and Sub-Chiefs of the areas which are
 contained in each constituency.
- The Commission shall have discretion, after careful examination, to accept or reject the proposals made.

APPENDIX , B'

PROGRAMME FOR THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF SOME DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTRY

SUNDAY, 8TH AUGUST, 1982

- The Commission arrives in Zomba

MONDAY, 9TH AUGUST, 1982

- Audience with His
Excellency the Life
President. Audience
with the Regional
Minister.

TUESDAY, 10TH AUGUST, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at
D.C.'s Office, Zomba.
Visit Zomba East and
West Constituencies.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH AUGUST, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at
D.C.'s Office, Mangochi
Visit Mangochi South
Constituency.

THURSDAY, 12TH AUGUST, 1982

leaders and Members
of Parliament at
D.C.'s Office, Thyolo.
Visit Thyolo South

Constituency.

Meeting with Party

leaders and Members

of Parliament at D.C.'s

Office, Mulanje.

Visit Mulanje West

Constituency.

FRIDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1982

leaders and Members
of Parliament at D.C.'s
Office, Chikwawa.
Visit the two
Constituencies in
Chikwawa District.

SATURDAY, 14TH AUGUST, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at
D.C.'s Office, Machinga.
Visit Machinga South
Constituency.

SUNDAY, 15TH AUGUST, 1982

- Depart for Dedza.

MONDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at D.C.'s
Office, Dedza.
Visit Dedza West
Constituency.

Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at D.C.'s
Office, Ntcheu.
Visit Ntcheu North
Constituency.

Audience with Regional

TUESDAY, 17TH AUGUST, 1982

Minister for the
Centre. Meeting with
Party Leaders and
Members of Parliament
at D.C.'s Office,
Lilongwe. Visit
Lilongwe City
Constituency. Visit
Lilongwe West and

WEDNESDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at
D.C. & Office, Mchinji
Visit Mchinji North

Central Constituencies

THURSDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members of
Parliament at
D.C.'s Office, Dowa.
Visit Dowa West and

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Central Constituencies.

Meeting with Party

leaders and Members

of Parliament in

District Council

Chamber, Ntchisi.

Visit Ntchisi West

Constituency.

FRIDAY, 20TH AUGUST, 1982

leaders and Members
of Parliament at D.C.'s
Office, Nkhotakota.
Visit Nkhotakota North
and Central Constituencies.

SATURDAY, 21ST AUGUST, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at
D.C.'s Office, Kasungu.
Visit Kasungu South
Constituency.

MONDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1982

- Meeting with Party
leaders and Members
of Parliament at
D.C.'s Office, Nkhata
Bay. Visit Nkhata
Bay Central Constituency.

TUESDAY, 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1982

Meeting with Partyleaders and Membersof Parliament at

D.C.'s Office, Mzimba.
Visit Mzimba Central

Compiling the Report,

and South Constitution

tuencies.

Clerk of Parliament

to be present.

WEDNESDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1982 - The Commission departs for respective homes.



