

MEMORANDUM ON NAT./DET./CONST. MOTLAUNG (60).

This witness appears to report quite well, in grammatical and coherent form. There is a lot to be found in his notes which is useful for the Defence - see especially Meeting No. 460, p. 5221 (V. 27) Ex. G. 748. This was an Annual Provincial Conference of the A.N.C. Quite a lot of non-violence and "race co-operation" and repudiation of communism reported. Also the Rev. Ntholi invoking the help of the Deity. Ex. G. 748, p. 1. For "religion" see also Ex. G. 747, pp. 1 and 2.

(I cannot find meeting 460/L in Osborn's index although it is referred to in the Hollerith).

NON - VIOLENCE. ETC.

NTHAKHA (N.A.):

"Today we must be like Christ although being oppressed we must not be short-tempered".  
Ex. G. 747, p. 2.

J. MAFURA (155):

"Delegates when putting your talk, put it straight and please don't swear as you know Congress is a non-violent movement". Ex. G. 748, p. 1.

MOTAUNG (N.A.):

"If I ask help from some one I'll then be called a communist. I don't even know what a communist is. The A.N.C. is the only organisation to make the Europeans understand that we must live together. We must educate the European that we must live in harmony." Ex. G. 748, p. 1.

/ J. MAFURA

J. MAFURA (155):

"You have heard what Mr. Motaung has said (see above). There is only one thing which must be done in S. A. It is that we must live in peace with the Europeans." Ex. G. 748, p. 1.

J. NTHAKHA (N.A.):

"By uniting you will get freedom without violence." Ex. G. 748, p. 3.

J. MAFURA (155):

"I said this morning that Congress is not a movement that throws stones or does any bad actions. Our movement is a non-violence one. I know that it is not the aim of the A.N.C. to do things like treason and sedition.... We say that if the Minister of Justice knows about any underground movements he must tell us so that we can also know them."

G. SEBITLO (N.A.):

"I support Mr. Nthakha by saying we must unite including Europeans. Men like Mr. Patrick Duncan we must call all unto our movement, unity is strength." Ex. G. 748, p. 3.

MOHLAKOANE (156):

"..... the Minister must tell us what is the real thing behind these raids because what we say or do at these meetings are open, there is nothing we hide..... we are the Govt.'s children". Ex. G. 748, p. 3. "I say we Free Staters must say the Govt. must meet our leaders and tell them what these raids are for". Ex. G. 748, p. 4.

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