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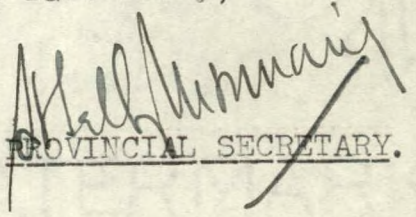
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My Dear President/

I have received a number of these circulars from the Head Office. I don't know what to do with them.

It would appear from the <sup>san-</sup>ultimate paragraph that Dr. Xuma repudiates the Transvaal Congress on the ground that it consists of "a group of individuals with no following." This is the body from which was drawn the members of the Working Committee which thought fit to forestall members of the Representative Council on General Smuts' proposals by publicising a statement of boycotting the elections. That declaration has been piloted through the Cape African Congress without the National Executive's authority. The meeting called for the 3rd August is apparently intended for the ratification of the acts of a Working Committee whose members are not of the Congress but "a group of individuals with no following". We are evidently to be stamped into a line of action dictated from outside the responsible Councils of Congress. I strongly feel that Natal should make a declaration immediately. I find myself very much compromised. The branches want a direction which I am unable to give authoritatively.

Yours faithfully,

  
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