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In 1945, a conference of the various leaders of African thought was convened to discuss the problems of the Atlantic Charter in relation to Africa in particular and the place of the African in post-war reconstruction. They were under the chairmanship of Dr. A. B. Xuma, then President-General of the A.N.C. They included his successor, Dr. J. S. Moroka, and Prof. Z. K. Matthews Vice-President of the A.N.C, and then leader of the Native Representative Council, This is what they said, inter alia:

"We urge that if fascism and fascist tendencies are to be uprooted from the face of the earth, and to open the way for peace, prosperity and racial good-will, the Atlantic Charter must apply to the whole British Empire, the United States of America and to all the nations of the world and their subject peoples..."

"The soldiers of all races Europeans, Americans, Asiatics, and Africans have won their claims of their peoples to the four freedoms by having taken part in this war which can be converted into a war for human freedom if the settlement at the Peace Table is based on human justice, fairplay and equality for opportunity for all races, colours and classes..."

On the first point dealing with No Aggrandisement, they said:

"In his article there is very important assurance which is intended to exonerate the Allied Nations from the charge of having entered into this war for territorial or imperialistic reasons. With that understanding we support the principle contained in this article and hope that rejection of aggrandisement in the War Aims of the Allied Nations is genuine and well-meant..."

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The continent of Africa is the second largest, measuring 11,000,462 square miles and one of the richest in mineral resources. It has a population of 200,000,000 Africans and a little more than 5,000,000 Europeans. The whole continent is under the domination of the Western Imperialist powers since the rape of Africa, except for 3 independent African states. The civilisation and culture of Africa is as old as that of Europe. The development has not equalled that of any other people in other continents. The history of Africa has either been twisted or ignored to suit the dominating colonial powers. The theories of an inferior race have also been propounded for the purpose of suiting the feudal lords. This has been further advanced by luxurious profitable human trade which has affected psychologically both the master race and the subject race.

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