

## ADDRESS OF THE HOLY FATHER PAUL VI TO THE NEW AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALAWI TO THE HOLY SEE\*

Saturday, 11 July 1970

## Mister Ambassador,

It is with the greatest pleasure that We welcome you here, as you present the Letters of Credence accrediting you to the Holy See as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Malawi.

We are deeply grateful for your kind words conveying to Us the sentiments of your President, and for the appreciation of Our efforts for stability and peace in the world.

Your gracious expressions of the gratitude of your country for all that the Catholic Church is able to achieve for Malawi, in all the various spheres, touch Our heart. The achievements you mention are made possible by the firm bond which exists between Malawi and the Catholic Church and by their close cooperation. We are very happy to hear what Your Excellency says concerning even closer and better relations.

We believe that in Your Excellency the Holy See has a sincere friend with whom it can continue its work for happiness and peace.

Please convey to your President Our special greetings and the sincerest best wishes for his continuing welfare. Please assure him and the Government that the Catholic Church will always be ready to give whatever assistance it can towards the spiritual and social progress of the people of Malawi-so dear to Us.

We promise Our prayers for Your Excellency in your new task, for your family and all in your

beloved country that abundant blessings of peace and prosperity may grace your land.

\*AAS 62 (1970), p.527.

Insegnamenti di Paolo VI, vol. VIII, p.710.

L'Attività della Santa Sede 1970, p.319.

L'Osservatore Romano, 12.7.1970, p.2.

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