
MY DREAM FOR AFRICA

The bits and pieces of land which the South African Government calls KwaZulu can play no distinctive role on its own in the development of South and Southern Africa. We are deeply conscious of just how colonialism in the past destroyed the whole of Southern Africa's hope for the future. I have a deeply felt commitment not only to South Africa but to the whole of Southern Africa. I see my brothers and sisters struggling at death's door in Mocambique against poverty, ignorance and disease. I see how valiantly leaders such as President Kaunda, President Nyerere, President Machel, President Banda, President Masisire, Prime Minister Leabua Jonathan and Prime Minister Mugabe, have struggled against the terrible colonial odds that have been stacked against them. As a Black South African I yearn to turn South Africa into a fountain of hope and assistance for the whole sub-continent. There shall be no true liberation in the whole of Southern Africa until South Africa itself is free. I am also aware that we in South Africa must garner from the whole of Southern Africa the wisdom of this sub-continent which is spread across its length and breadth. I do not see South Africa as a great place condescendingly assisting its poor neighbours. There is greatness and wisdom spread across the length and breadth of Southern Africa. As I yearn for a future South and Southern Africa, I am aware that if we fragment South Africa we perpetuate the fragmentation of Southern Africa. That is why I think most people consider the giving up of our birth-right through taking so-called independence an act of treachery to Black South Africa.

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