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The Paramount Chief Khama
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My Lord the Chief,

Now that news reach me that you have recently been presented with the King's Medal I feel it a sign of loyalty to congratulate you very highly on your merit; suffice it to say, O Chief, your commendation in having no desire to change your form of government is a material proof of progressive interest you take in the nation you head as Chief.

Ever since parting at College I have watched your progress as Chief plus the improvements made to the country, tho' of course, I always expected that from a man of your calibre.

I have watched you fight rightly for the justice of your country; I have watched you, O King, represent the cause of your land, and alas! O Chief, I have watched you standing strongly for the interest of your nation.

May God grant, O Chief, that you become — through His guidance — bigger and bigger in big things.

I cannot nor do not wish herein to introduce myself to you as you know the highest esteem with which you were held by me while you were at Fort Hare immediately before the death of the late Chief Khama (Senior).

You will recall the respect we paid you while at Lovedale in years 1924 and 1925, and Oh chief, also the fatherly regard you exercised on us.

Accept, Chief Khama, from the bottom of my heart — heartiest congratulations on the work you are doing for our people as also your promotion from time to time.

I shall always promise loyalty and obedience to you chief, as I did when we were together, and will also remain at your service should anything be asked of me.

Pula! Chief!! Pula!!!

Your very obedient servant
Marks. W.B. Mokapanele