Stop eating with the devil—Lubosi advised

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We starkly warn His Majesty Lubosi Imwiko II that, "when you eat with the devil use a long spoon, better not eat with the devil at all." Now the short spoon you are using will carry you before we know it, you will be on drips and then eliminated. This mistrust you have against your own people must go. How can you trust people who took the lives of your brethren? How do you trust people who have stripped you of your authority in your own territory? How can you trust people who deny your people employment? Lubosi stop flirting with Lungu. The people of Barotseland are matching for their independence, take note that either you are with us or against us. No Barotse is prepared to waste any more time with the Zambian regime but those who choose to be obstacles of Barotseland independence, will find themselves on the way side. This is time for action.

Barotseland is a territory with deep rooted culture with core values based on honest, truthfulness and duty bound. The Barotse believe that promises and agreements must be revered. This respect is extended to other people's property and more so community property.

It is these values which have brought a lot of misery to the Barotse, more especially the period of the so called independence of 24th October 1964 till today. For more than 54 years the people of Barotseland had hope and trust that the Zambian regime would realise their blunder and honour the Barotseland Agreement 1964. Yet the abrogation of the BA'64 entrenched the annexation of Barotseland by the Zambia regime and curtailed the basic human rights of the Barotse—the right to association, the right to assembly, the right to self-determination, the right to free speech, the right to employment, and the right to life whereby several Barotse have met their untimely demise at the hands of Zambia state agents.

Anyone who raised his voice was murdered. Up to day we wish to inform the Zambian government and those who ruled before that we take cognizant of the mysteriously deaths of the following gallant sons of Barotseland:

- His Majesty the king of Barotseland the late Sir Mwanawina III Lewanika, who signed the BA 1964, which gave Zambia its independence. His name has never been recognized by the Zambia government for the role he played in both World War I and II as well as his instrumental role to enable Northern Rhodesia to proceed to independence as one nation. The only reward we received from Zambia was termination of his life.
- 2. Nalumino Mundia died mysteriously while serving the Kaunda regime as an Ambassador.
- 3. Munukayumtwa Sipalo's house was petrol bombed and burnt by UNIP youth during the Kaunda regime.
- 4. Richard Ngenda a renowned lawyer died mysteriously during the Chiluba regime.
- 5. Nosiku Kawamambulu ,another renowned lawyer and out spoken Barotse activist died in mysteriously circumstances during the Chiluba regime.
- 6. King Ilute Yeta died mysteriously under the Chiluba regime.

This is to list only a few of the many victims of successive Zambia regimes who died in questionable circumstances.