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IN THE HIGH COURT OF LESOTHO

In the matter between:

**TSIETSI PHENETHE
CHARLES LECHESA
TANKI MAFETHE
SEKOALA TOLOANE
HOMANENG KUTOANE
TLALA LETŠOLO
RALIOTLO PHAKISI**

**PETITIONER
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VS

**SEEISO SEHLOHO AND ANOTHER
LEFELA BOHLOKO AND ANOTHER
TEBOHO KHOATHANE AND ANOTHER
BENNET SEMAKALE AND ANOTHER
MOTHEPU MOTHAE AND ANOTHER
MOFELEHETSI MOERANE AND ANOTHER
LETHAKONG RAKOTI AND ANOTHER**

**1ST RESPONDENT
2ND RESPONDENT
3RD RESPONDENT
4TH RESPONDENT
5TH RESPONDENT
6TH RESPONDENT
7TH RESPONDENT**

Held at Maseru:

Coram: **LEHOHLA J.
MOFOLO J.
RAMODEBEDI J.**

JUDGMENT

MOFOLO J.

These are petitions which for purposes of this judgment have been consolidated as petitioners were all disputing results of the election held on 23 May, 1998. Mr. Phoofolo represented the petitioners.

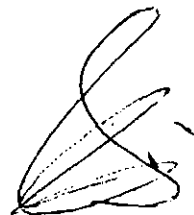
On 28 August, 1998 Mr. Phoofolo filed a notice of intention to withdraw petition CIV/APN/277/98 and on 08 September, 1998 filed notices of withdrawal of the rest of the petitions. The matter was set down for hearing on 24th November, 1998 and on this day having heard counsel for the petitioners and respondents the court per Mofolo, J. handed down its judgment as follows:

The court granted the applications for withdrawal but because in the other applications for withdrawal that had gone before present applications there were consequential orders, consequential orders were in the like manner pronounced in respect of each application.

Consequently, in petition CIV/APN/282/98 Seeiso Sehloho of Mabote constituency No.29 was pronounced to have won the contest and returned as member of Parliament. Lefela Bohloko was pronounced as having won No.39 Thaba-Putsoa constituency and returned as member of Parliament of the said No.39 Thaba-Putsoa constituency. Teboho Khoathane was in the like manner pronounced as having won No.60 Qaqatu constituency and returned therein as member of parliament as was Bennett Semakale who was pronounced as having won No.45

Makhaleng constituency and returned as member of parliament for the constituency. Mothepu Mothae was pronounced as having won No.80 Bobatsi constituency and returned as member of parliament for the aforesaid constituency. Mofelehetsi Moerane was in the like manner pronounced as having won No.41 Koro-Koro constituency and returned as member of parliament for the constituency. For No.79 Mokhotlong constituency, Lithakong Rakoti was pronounced having won the constituency and returned as member of parliament.

There was no order as to costs.



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MOFOLO J.

I agree



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LEHOHLA J.

I agree



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RAMODIBEDI J.

Delivered on the 17th day of December, 1998.