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- trusts Mr Raw '

SOUTHERN Africa was moving faster towards an uncompromising historical watershed, the Bophuthatswana President, Chjef Lucas

ngope, said in Johannesburg last night.

He was addressing the South African Institute of International Affairs on 'Trends in Southern Africa and the role of Bophuthatswana',

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formulas were being put forward, but 'if we are to be honest, we are essentially drifting',

Confrontation

The central concern in this search for freedom, harmony, Peace and Prosperity for all. The alternative was loss of freedom, civil strife, violent confrontation, and economic and human disaster,

'The question is whether truly honest and about the factor determine the outcome of East-West confrontation in our region. Regrettably, the answer is a clear No.

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'As long as institutionalised discrimination remains legally and constitutionally enshrined, we

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way the Marxists will be allowed to P unchallenged in their bid for conquest by violence,

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but by the forces of the
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He sincerely commended
the decision of the South
African Prime Minj

and implications of the 1936
Land Act. However, nothing
would convince his Govern-
ment that it wag just and
honourable

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with open arms and hearts to
remain on their farms if they
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JOHN WORRALL: Nairobi

HE wears beautifully
cut, three-piece pin-
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straight out of the

ple or Grayâ\200\231s Inn on hlsâ\200\231

way to the Law Courts.

A suitably grave face
wrinkles suddenly into a
charming smile. He is a
lawyer and he was called
to the bar in Grays Inn in
1954.

Elegant

This elegant, fastidious
and oftenâ\200\231 very outspoken
man is .Charles Njonjo,
.Kenya s Attorneyâ\200\231General
since Independence, the
-â\200\230confidante of the late Jomo
| â\200\230Kenyatta, and the man
| behind the smooth transi-
tion to power of the new

President, Daniel arap
Moi.

Charles Njonjo is a
Kikuyu, Kenyaâ\200\231s predomi-
nant tribe, the son of the
Senior chief, Chief Josiah
Njonjo. After high school
in Kenya he went to Fort
Hare University College in
South Africa, where he
took a B.A. degree. Later

he took a diploma in social
anthropology at the London
School of Economics, and
moved on to Grayâ\200\231s Inn.
He once told me: â\200\234I am
prouder of my Fort Hare

degree than any other.â\200\235

While totally opposed to apartheid he has a strange obsession with South Africa.

When Professor Barnard was invited to Kenya, Njonjo was his host for a week.

Somewhat controversial- .

ly, he recently declared publicly that African countries should think

:seriously about entering

into diplomatic relations with South Africa.

That statement raised a storm of criticism in Kenya, upset the Foreign Minister, Dr. Waiyaki, who also went to Fort Hare.

When invited to visit South Africa by Professor Barnard, Mr. Njonjo said: I would be glad to go.

But since that time

Charles Njonjo has been busy with Kenya's con--

stitutional affairs. On the

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death of President Kenya{t-ta, his absorption as

Kenya's chief law officer

and top constitutional expert was with achieving a smooth transition of power to the vice-president, Mr. Moi. That meant getting Mr. Moi's constitutional 90 days term as acting President extended to substantive President.

With the help of Mr. Mwai Kibaki, the Finance Minister, another Kikuyu, Njonjo raised the whole country solidly behind Mr. Moi. There was no other candidate for the office, so Mr. Moi it was.

Support

Charles Njonjo recently
told the BBC: "I am no
kingmaker". But nobody

has any doubt that he is the--

man at the centre of power
in Kenya, the man who
gives President Moi not
only the legal ammunition
but . the tough backing to
wage his war against cor-
ruption in the public ser-

vice, "against malpractices -

_in the big corporations. -

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PRESIDENT DANIEL ARAP MOI

Mr. Njonjo has a Scottish

wife, the daughter of a mis-
sionary -who once taught
President Moi. A devout
Anglican, he attends All
Saints Cathedral in Nanrobi
regularly.

" He is fond of classical
music and goes to concerts
in the cathedral and
elsewhere. In fact Mr.
Njonjo seems to be the
"artistic conscience" of
the Government and is a
constant opener of art
exhibitions and
cultural occasions.

A tough exponent of law

and order in Kenya, he
recently harried corrupt
top members of the police
force, and forced them to

"resign.

He publicly exposed a
plot to assassinate Mr.
Moi, himself and other
leading politicians after
the death of President
Kenyatta, which led to the
defection of a "top police
chief to the Sudan.

Yet nobody doubts that

"he was the man behind the

recent release by President Moi of all Kenya's

political detainees, which one hopes, pleased Amnesty International who had been calling for this for some time.

Mr. Njonjo had some unkind things to say about this worthy body. Kenya, as a result, no longer has any political detainees.

Njonjo's power and influence is sometimes criticised by Members of Parliament, who point to the fact that he an ex officio member of the Government appointed

not elected. Yet he talks to -

Parliament sometimes as though the members were misguided schoolboys. Preferring to remain in the scenes, yet Njonjo can gird his loins and leap into the political fray when the Constitution is at stake. Way back in 1976, a group of senior politicians including several ministers aimed at changing the constitution to bar the vice-President from taking over on the death of the President.

Everybody knew that

Vice-President Moi, as he

then was, was the target. Njonjo, a lifelong friend of Moi, quashed this campaign by convincing

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CHARLES NJONJO

Kenyatta that the campaign was dangerous for the country's stability.

-Kenyatta read the riot act to his ministers, and

nothing more was heard of
the campaign.

Njonjo is a stickler for
standards, believes' that
even to help Africans into
jobs, standards must still
be maintained.

He once said he would
not fly with an African.
pilot if he had not attained.,
European standards.

Tough

He has often attacked:the
standards of legal training
in Kenya. He is one of the |
few ministers with a Eure-
pean secretary, employs
several European and |
Asian law officers in the'
Attorney - Generalâ\200\231s'
chambers.

An old Kenya joke used*
to be: â\200\230â\200\234When are they go-
ing to Africanise the -
Attorney-General?â\200\235 Built
Mr. Njonjo is too tough a=
man to worry about Jokes'
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been so forthright in help-
ing to make Kenya into a'
modern State with high .
standards and unshakeable |
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