



EFF STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF DR. KENNETH KAUNDA, FORMER PRESIDENT OF ZAMBIA

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The EFF is saddened by the passing of Dr. Kenneth Kaunda, the former President of Zambia. We send our heartfelt condolences to the government and people of Zambia, especially his family.

Former President Kaunda leaves us behind having lived a happy 97 years. He will be best remembered as the only leader of a sovereign state in the world who granted headquarters to all liberation movements of colonised African states.

He hosted MPLA of Angola, FRELIMO of Mozambique, SWAPO of Namibia, ZAPU of Zimbabwe and ANC of South Africa at a great cost of financial threats by the Western countries and military attacks by Smith of Rhodesia and Botha of South Africa. He treated all liberation movements with equality and great respect. In the midst of all sufferings of his people and government, he never abandoned people of Africa from countries under the yoke of colonialism.

An astute statesman amongst a few former heads of states who never forsaken his nation nor stole from his government. He preached peace and treated with disdain politicians who thrive on tribalism.

The white handkerchief has retired, a great poet, author and singer sleeps to wake up no more.

Goodnight President. Tiyende Pamodzi. May your soul find peace and rest in power Son of Africa!

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