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Gabellah wants Whites to train Blacks in Rhodesia

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SALISBURY — Rhodesia's joint Minister of Information, Immigration and Tourism, Dr. Elliott Gabellah, yesterday emphasised what he called the vital need for Rhodesia to retain "for all time" the expertise, ability and business acumen of the Whites.

He told a public relations institute luncheon in Salisbury:

"We Blacks are fully aware that we have not been given the opportunity to gain the training necessary to continue the forward development of a country such as ours.

"We need the White folks' help so that when the opportunity arises for the Black folk to take up their positions they will get this help."

Dr. Gabellah, a supporter of the Moral Rearmament Movement, added:

"Let me say once and for all that in this country there will not be Africanisation for its own sake.

"This country has got to be shared by all."

On the civil service, Dr. Gabellah said State employees had been the country's backbone.

It would be foolish for any party to try to replace them with new and untried men and women.