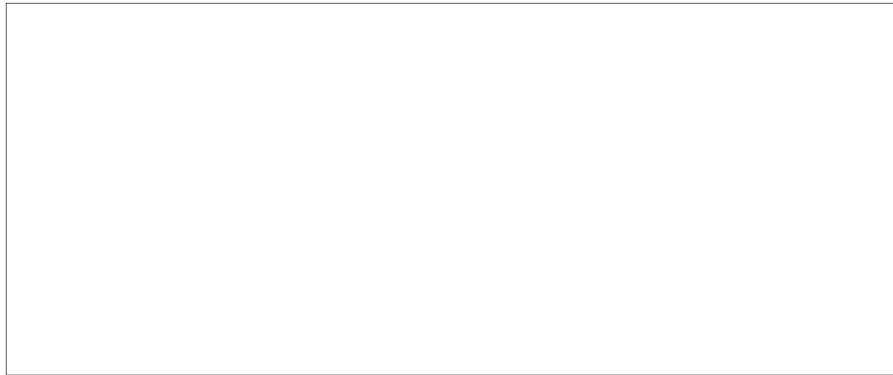


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TANZANIA

KAMBONA, Oscar Salathiel

Minister for External Affairs

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Oscar Kambona was named Minister for External Affairs in the United Republic of Tanzania in April 1964. He is probably second or third in importance to President Julius Nyerere. Kambona is foremost a [Redacted]

[Redacted] Pan-Africanist [Redacted]

[Redacted] and committed to the liberation of Africa from white rule.



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Kambona, a recognized leader among East Africa's more radical politicians, has dallied with both East and West in the past, but has avoided committing himself to either side. In late 1964, he accused the West, including the US, of plotting to overthrow the Tanzanian government. He has traveled both in the US--he accompanied Nyerere on a state visit to Washington in July 1963--and the USSR, and attended the UN General Assembly last month.

Less intellectual than Nyerere, Kambona has displayed [Redacted] toughness and vigor, and has demonstrated personal, as well as political, courage. He enhanced his position considerably during 1964 by nearly single-handedly negotiating a settlement of the Tanganyikan Army mutiny in January.

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Kambona was born about 1928, the son of a minister. He studied law in England from 1956 to 1959, but his pursuit of learning yielded to [Redacted] a growing interest in politics. He failed his bar examination. Elected to the Tanganyika legislature in 1960, Kambona was appointed Minister of Education the same year and Minister of Home Affairs in 1962.

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[Redacted] He is married and has one child. He speaks English fluently.

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