

Respondent: ID#10517

Interviewer: McDaphton Bellos

Date: 7 July, 1999

District: Balaka

[not taped but recalled: Man is nearly 50, too old for our sample and should not have been interviewed]

They greet, talk about the church and nearby school. Then McD says he thinks about marrying in this village, are the girls plentiful. Respondent (R) says they are, but they are plentiful everywhere, where is McDaphton from, he says M [place] and R asks what he's doing here. McD says he's with his friends, chatting. Then R says it's o.k., you can marry. Then McD says but he's afraid of AIDS, asks R whether he is too. R says he is, "we even hear from the radio a lot about the dangers of this disease". And then R tells McD (without probing) that "you should be selective, for AIDS is at a high rate". Then McD goes on to say that even when he marries he doesn't think he would stop having other women, even when he gets old "like you, since it's nature". R says, no, you'll stop, because "you will have a matured mind and brain". McD says you mean you don't have other women? R: "Oooo! NO! I don't have anyone. We are now old to do that. We have left that for you young men to continue, but your days are not good days to enjoy this system of playing with girls, because of AIDS. In the past there was no AIDS, the diseases that were common were like *mabomu*, *chindoko*, but these had medicines and AIDS doesn't". McD asks him where the disease comes from, R doesn't know. McD asks if many people in the village have AIDS, he says yes, and it's easy to recognize them, and that in N village at a place called Z, 5 people have died of AIDS.

They then say goodbye.