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Mr. F. J. Moss to His Excellency the GOVERNOR.

Cook Islands, British Residency, Rarotonga, 22nd July, 1897.

SIR,—

SIR,— I have the honour to inform your Excellency that the session of the Federal Parliament of the Cook Islands began on the 5th instant, and to enclose,—

- (1.) Opening address from the Government.
- (2.) Report of the first day's proceedings, published in *Te Torea* of the 10th July.
- (3.) Address of welcome to His Excellency the Earl of Ranfurly.
- (4.) Message No. 3, conveying reply from the Right Hon. Sir George Grey to the address sent to him last session.
- (5.) Message No. 5, conveying census taken of Atui and Rarotonga by their local government