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Dear Sir,

Assistance to the National Liberation Movements and Refugees

Besides the annual report on development assistance to Zambia, my office is this year also collecting information for the report on the assistance provided by external sources to (a) the National Liberation Movements based in Zambia, (b) refugees, subjects of those Liberation Movements, and (c) other groups of foreign nationals having refugee status in Zambia.

You may recall that some information on assistance to the refugees and Liberation Movements had been included in our Development Assistance Report for 1976 and, apart from that report, there may be reports prepared by other organizations on their individual programmes. However, to our knowledge, there is no combined report or all-embracing reference source as yet covering such activities.

Since it is also a granted fact that the external assistance to the Liberation Movements in Zambia, as well as that to the refugees, has increased and diversified during the past few years, the need to compile the available information in this respect has become more obvious. For this reason and also because we feel that this kind of assistance, even though it helps Zambia's own efforts in this field, should not be reported in connection with external assistance to Zambia itself, a new procedure, whereby the relevant information on assistance to National Liberation Movements and refugees would be collated and reported on separately from the annual report Development Assistance, has been instituted by UNDP.

In order to carry out this exercise, I would be grateful if you could provide us with information covering the years 1977 - 1978 of the technical, financial and material aid provided by you to the National Liberation Movements for their social, educational and economic activities.

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Secondly, I would request information of the humanitarian aid or other assistance provided by you, in order to improve the living conditions of the refugees in Zambia or to develop their social and educational activities.

The essential information, in this connection, should include an indication of the type of assistance provided (for example, emergency assistance, material aid, goods donated and their quantity, personnel assistance) the total value of the assistance, the duration of the project and, if continuing, until when.

It would be appreciated if you could also indicate in your reply how your assistance is being channelled, whether it is directed through international or national relief organizations, the authorities of the Zambian Government, or whether it is given by you directly to the recipient refugee settlements.

I am sending this request to the representatives of a number of foreign missions resident in Zambia, to the international relief organizations, to the churches and other religious bodies working in Zambia, and to the various charitable organizations.

I would like to emphasize, once more, that the success in preparing such a comprehensive report depends to a great extent on the favourable response and co-operation from various donor agencies. Therefore, I would be most grateful if your reply covering the years 1977 - 1978 could reach us by the end of February at the latest to enable us to process in due time the information obtained and make it available to the organizations and programmes concerned. We will, of course, send a copy of the report to you as soon as it has been finalized.

Yours sincerely,

Resident Representative