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Sincerely yours,

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Dear Friend:

Thanks to your staunch loyalty and support, THE BLACK SCHOLAR

has almost completed 19 years of publication. And

just two years

ago, we were finally able to buy our own building again, because

of you.

These are exciting times for black and Third

World people.

The Presidential Campaign of Jesse Jackson has been a fresh wind

across the political horizon. Jesse is reviving and renewing the

faith and allegiances of the 1960s Civil Rights movement. The

Rainbow Coalition is on the move; more blacks and minorities are

registered. There is a chance for a new agenda, a new democracy.

To keep you abreast, we have just published an in-depth

issue on black politics 1988. In this issue, we have Jesse

Jackson's historic speech announcing his candidacy. Other authors

include Ron Daniels, Jack O'Dell, Ronald Walters, Abdul

Alkalimat, Toni Tingle, Paulette Pierce, Rosemary Stevenson, and

Shirley Washington. We also expose the media's racist treatment

of Jackson's campaign.

No other publication has the will or the mandate to give you

this coverage. We do it and we do it in response to your

expressed interest and support.

But there is more ahead. Our current issue is on the

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controversial "black underclass," featuring William Julius Wilson

and Troy Duster. In July-August, we publish a spectacular issue

on black poetry worldwide called Word Within a Word, with Jayne

Cortez as Guest Editor. This Fall, we will publish our long

awaited issue on white supremacist movements and racist attacks on blacks. Looking toward 1989, we will publish a special issue on the 30th anniversary of the Cuban Revolution.

We have also added two new volumes to THE BLACK SCHOLAR Press. Cowboy Amok is a brilliant volume of poems by D.L. Crockett~Smith, a critique of the arrogance of presidential power and the havoc it has created. And, we have a new work by Robert Staples, a nationally acclaimed sociologist:

The Urban

Plantation. Staples argues that the black community is an internal colony that extends and refines previous black exploitation.

We continue our Black Heritage Forums at The Black Scholar House. Recent speakers were Dr. Maulana Karenga and Dr. Andrew Billingsley, two eminent black scholars of national reputation. -Earlier speakers have included Dr. Johnnetta B. Cole, now president of Spelman College, and Barbara Lee, a former aide of Congressman Ron Dellums. Judging by our overflow crowds and lively discussions, these forums are meeting a real need in the black community.

Our library grows. We now have over 2,000 volumes on the black experience and related topics. We have begun to catalogue and computerize it. The library grows as a resource for scholars, researchers, and the community at large.

As a result of your contributions last year, we were able to improve our building. We have rebuilt the exterior plumbing system. We have repainted the interior, installed new carpets, security doors, and rebuilt the rear porch.

But thereâ\200\231s more to do. We must still upgrade our electrical system. This is urgent as we use computers in all aspects of our work. A power failure can mean months of work lost. And. we must install central heating.

This upgrading process is slow and costly. We must raise \$10,000 each year for our building maintenance and Community Outreach programs. In addition, we have magazine production costs and these increase. Recently. postage went up twentyâ\200\224five percent.

We need your help. You, our readers, continue to make contributions. Over 50 people have already made contributions of \$100 or more to the Building Fund. For this we are grateful.

We have mounted their names in bronze on the dedication plaque above our fireplace. We would like very much to have your name on the plaque. If you cannot contribute \$100, we would like to have you as an associate member for \$25.00.

THE BLACK SCHOLAR is a rich and important resource in the black community. Please help us continue to remain an important resource for you. Contribute today to Friends of THE BLACK

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Sincerely,

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Robert Chrisman

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20 October 1988

Anthony Mongalo  
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Dear Mr. Mongalo:

Given your work and your commitment to Africa, I am privileged to  
enclose a copy of the inaugural edition of *African Farmer*, the most  
recent of our Hunger Project publications.

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Published in French and English, *African Farmer* pays tribute to the  
extraordinary and vital contribution that small-scale farmers are  
making to  
agricultural and economic development of the  
continent. We intend, through this and subsequent publications in  
this series, to support the growing dialogue between Africa's farmers  
and those policy makers - within and outside of Africa who  
formulate and implement the policies that directly affect the future of  
African agriculture.

We believe that a unique contribution of this publication is to make  
available through interviews and stories, the words, views and  
aspirations of the women and men who till Africa's soil. In this issue,  
you will find interviews with farmers from Zimbabwe, Zambia,  
Mozambique, Senegal, Niger, and Uganda.

In addition, we are honored to present the perspective and the  
- commitments of many distinguished African leaders - heads of state  
and ministers, bankers and economists, peasant organizers and  
scientists on matters of critical importance to farmers and farming.

As an expression of our own commitment to the future of Africa,  
*African Farmer* is being distributed to 45,000 government officials,  
educators, agricultural extension workers, UN agency officials, business  
people, farmers' groups and journalists within Africa, and to another  
20,000 individuals in Europe, North America, Australia, Japan and  
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Dear Mr. Mongalo:

On behalf of Ms. Joan Holmes, global executive director of The Hunger Project, the Hon. Bradford Morse, chairman of the Africa Prize International Jury, and Mr. Mark C. Chona, chairman of The Hunger Project-Zambia, I am honored to invite you to attend the announcement of the winner of the second annual Africa Prize for Leadership for the Sustainable End of Hunger. We are delighted that this year's announcement will take place in the ballroom of the Intercontinental Hotel in Lusaka on Thursday, 21 July 1988, at 1630 hours, and will be followed by a reception.

The event in Lusaka will be linked to a simultaneous gathering of diplomats and international journalists at United Nations Headquarters in New York City via two-way satellite television broadcast. Thousands of individuals in 25 nations around the world will gather in their communities to hear this historic event, and it will be televised live across North America.

We are most honored that H.E. Dr. K. D. Kaunda, President of the Republic of Zambia, will be our guest of honor. Following the announcement President Kaunda will address the global audience, congratulating the laureate on behalf of all of Africa's leadership.

I am also pleased to inform you that Ms. Holmes will be in Lusaka to participate in this program, as will Mr. Mark C. Chona, chairman of The Hunger Project-Zambia and member of the Africa Prize International Jury. Mr. Morse's announcement from New York will be received in Lusaka via satellite.

I hope that you will join us for this historic occasion.

Respectfully

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I acknowledge, with deep appreciation and aincere thanks, receipt of your letter and the enclosed three cepies of the Black Scholar to our Preaident, Oliver Tambo.

Indeed The Black Scholar is a very informative journal which we are always looking forward to receive.

With best regards,

Anthony Mongalo

Secretary For Presidential

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