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Dear Friend:

It is generally acknowledged that the emergence of proud, independent African states has been instrumental in encouraging the United States government to begin improving the deplorable living conditions of most of its Black citizens. As these independent nations become more powerful, and thereby more influential in the world community, it is likely that Black Americans will be direct beneficiaries of such prominence.

Today, eight nations -- Angola, Mozambique, Guinea-Bissau, Cape Verde Islands, Sao Tome and Principe, Rhodesia (Zimbabwe), South Africa (Anzania), and Southwest Africa (Namibia) -- remain dominated by European minorities. Recognizing that freedom and self-determination are always prerequisites for democracy, African freedom-fighters are courageously struggling to lift the last vestiges of colonial subjugation from their shores.

As a result of the conflict prevailing in Southern Africa, millions of Africans have been rendered homeless, often being forced as refugees to seek shelter in neighboring independent states. In the spirit of brotherhood these states have rendered invaluable assistance often at great peril to their own territories.

The Southern Africa Relief Fund (SARF) has been established by a group of concerned Black people to provide monies for food, clothing and other forms of humanitarian relief in Southern Africa. In addition to soliciting financial assistance from all concerned Americans, SARF seeks to provide a vehicle through which Black Americans, by their contributions, can demonstrate their commitment to the problems of their African brethren. Your generous

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support, while helping to lessen the burden of caring for homeless and deprived Africans, will at the same time be instrumental in forging a brighter future for all Black people.

SARF will forward contributions to the African Liberation Committee of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) in Dar Es Salam, Tanzania. The OAU will be responsible for ensuring that all funds are properly distributed to those groups engaged in the relief effort.

Please make all checks payable to "The Southern Africa Relief Fund", and be sure to type or print your name and address in the appropriate section on the return envelope.

With warm regards, we thank you in advance for your unselfish attention to this important matter.

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Holmes  
Secretary

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