Dear Friends,

As many of you are already aware, a new national Mozambique Support Network was formed this fall, with the objective of stimulating grassroots support work for Mozambique in the United States. The MSN is chaired by Allen Isaacman of Minneapolis and Roberta Washington of New York, and has an administrative office in Chicago. Sylvia Ewing is the administrative coordinator in the Chicago office, and Lisa Brock, also in Chicago, is the secretary-treasurer. Princy Nesbitt, working as a consultant to the Mozambican government, advises the network on development of its activities.

In the Washington area, there are already many groups involved in various aspects of support work for Mozambique, from community-based groups such as the Southern Africa Support Project to those working on lobbying on Capitol Hill, such as TransAfrica, the Washington Office on Africa, and the organizations in the Southern Africa Working Group. The Potomac Association of the United Church of Christ has adopted a special focus on Mozambique. In addition, the Mozambican Embassy, headed by Ambassador Valeriano Ferrão, newly reinforced by press secretary José Ramos Horta, is accessible to NGOs as well as carrying out its many official responsibilities.

As contact persons for the national MSN here in DC, we (Kathy Flewellen and Bill Minter) see our function as facilitating the exchange of information, not as establishing a new group. Enclosed is an initial compilation of information resources; if there are other items you think should be included in the future please let one of us know.

Sometime in the next few months WHMM will be showing the new film Mozambique: The Struggle for Survival. Contact Otha Brandon at WHMM (636-5600) for further information.

We also hope you will want to support the national MSN in its efforts. See the enclosed brochure.

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