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MIPT: MESSAGES.

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER DATED 9 MARCH 1985 FROM MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, JOAQUIM CHISSANO TO THE ITALIAN AMBASSADOR: BEGINS

I WISH TO CONVEY TO ALL MEMBER STATES OF THE EEC THROUGH YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR APPRECIATION AND OUR WELCOME FOR THE EFFORT DIRECTED IN SUPPORT OF THE ACTIONS OF THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE TO PROMOTE PEACE AND STABILITY IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. WE WELCOME IN PARTICULAR THE INTEREST MANIFESTED IN THE NECESSITY TO COMPLY WITH THE NKOMATI ACCORD AND BY THE DENUNCIATIONS OF CONTINUED EXTERNAL INTERFERENCE IN THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE.

AS YOUR EXCELLENCY KNOWS, THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA IS EXTREMELY TENSE DUE TO THE EXISTENCE OF APARTHEID AND TO THE NON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NKOMATI ACCORD BY SOUTH AFRICA. WE CONSIDER THAT THE EEC AND ITS MEMBER STATES CAN PLAY A POSITIVE ROLE IN ORDER THAT A CLIMATE OF PEACE, FAVOURABLE TO THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE REGION, MIGHT BE CREATED IN THE ZONE.

THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE, AT THE SAME TIME AS (SHE) APPEALS FOR GREATER INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT IN THE DEFENCE OF HER SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY, REAFFIRMS HER DETERMINATION TO COMPLY WITH HER INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS.

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I WOULD LIKE ALSO TO TRANSMIT OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE SUPPORT RECEIVED FROM THE EEC AND BILATERALLY FROM THE MEMBER STATES FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORT OF THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUE AND FOR THE EMERGENCY SITUATION IN MOZAMBIQUE. WE HOPE THAT THIS SUPPORT MIGHT BE REINFORCED AFTER THE PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF MOZAMBIQUES JOINING THE LOME CONVENTION AND IN PARTICULAR IN THE CONTEXT OF THE EMERGENCY ACTION WHICH IS BEING UNDERTAKEN BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND BILATERALLY TO SUPPORT AFRICA, ASSAILED BY DROUGHT AND OTHER NATURAL DISASTERS.

POLITE ENDING. ENDS.

2. AN IDENTICAL LETTER WAS SENT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION.

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