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Dear Global Partner:

The Canadian and African Business Women's Alliance (CAABWA) is a non-profit national organization focusing on strengthening existing business and trade linkages between Canada and African countries, as well as on opening new avenues of trade and investment for women entrepreneurs.

CAABWA is conducting research on the existing Canada's trade, investment and development policies towards Africa and on their impact women. This research is intended for the formulation of a paper for contribution to the discussions at the upcoming G8 Summit, scheduled to take place at Kananaskis, Alberta on June 26-27, 2002.

We are requesting your participation in our survey. We have drafted the attached questionnaire that will allow us to obtain information on the experience of varying parties with regards to the issues surrounding policies and women in Africa.

CAABWA's paper will recognize the contribution of every organization that will participate in this survey. We would appreciate receiving your responses as soon as possible.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in completing this survey and apologize for the limited turn-around time provided. For any questions and clarifications, please contact Nadia Gouveia, Project Assistant, at (905) 568-8300, ext. 261. Completed questionnaires can be faxed to (905) 568–8330 or emailed to caabwa@cme-mec.ca.

Yours sincerely,

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