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## CANADA CONTRIBUTES A FURTHER \$1 MILLION TO COMMONWEALTH SPECIAL FUND FOR MOZAMBIQUE

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, announced today in Harare, Zimbabwe, that Canada will contribute a further \$1 million for human resource development in Mozambique.

The Special Commonwealth Fund for Mozambique (SCFM) was initiated at the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Vancouver in 1987. The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) contributed \$1 million to the fund and added another \$1 million at the 1989 CHOGM conference in Malaysia.

"Mozambique occupies a key position in Southern Africa," Mrs. McDougall told Commonwealth leaders in Harare. "The Special Commonwealth Fund is an effective way to invest in the economic and social development of Mozambique and we are pleased to increase our support."

The \$20 million SCFM is managed by the Commonwealth Fund for Technical Co-operation (CFTC). Activities undertaken by the fund include technical assistance and related training in industrial rehabilitation, mineral and petroleum development and trade and financial management.

Mozambique is critically short of trained people at middle and senior management levels. Part of the Canadian contribution will be used to bring trainees from Mozambique to Canada.

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