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Excellency:

On behalf of the Government and people of Canada, I wish to convey to you and to the people of Zimbabwe all best wishes on the achievement of your country's independence. All Canadians join Zimbabwe's other friends in welcoming her to the international community and particularly into the Commonwealth, and Canada looks forward to the development of a close and friendly relationship.

May I also add my own congratulations to you as you take up your duties as President of the new Republic.

Edward Schreyer,
Governor General of Canada.

His Excellency
Reverend Canaan Banana,
President of the Republic of Zimbabwe,
Salisbury, Zimbabwe.