MARK CHONA

If asked, we can confirm that Mark Chona, Special Adviser to President Kaunda, called briefly on the Prime Minister yesterday, 27 September, for a general discussion about Rhodesia and progress made so far at the Constitutional Conference. Again, only if asked, we can confirm that Mr. Chona delivered an oral message to the Prime Minister from President Kaunda - contents are, of course, confidential. (For your own information, the message Mr. Chona delivered was a very general one about the Constitutional Conference and the way ahead).

Mark Chona is President Kaunda's observer at the Constitutional Conference and it looks as if he has mentioned his call on the Prime Minister to the Financial Times and maybe other newspapers. We do not want to draw more attention to this call than is necessary.

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