On January 15, 1970, the International Development Association (IDA), an affiliate of the World Bank, made a credit of $2.5 million available to Botswana. The credit will finance the costs of engineering design and preliminary works for infrastructure -- electric power, water, transport and a township -- required for a proposed copper/nickel mining development in northeastern Botswana.

Among those present at the signing of the credit documents were, from left to right: Mr. Donation Bimate, Alternate Executive Director of IDA for Botswana; His Excellency Chief Linchwe II, Ambassador of Botswana to the United States; and Mr. J. Burke Knapp, Vice President of IDA.

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