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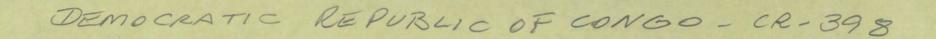
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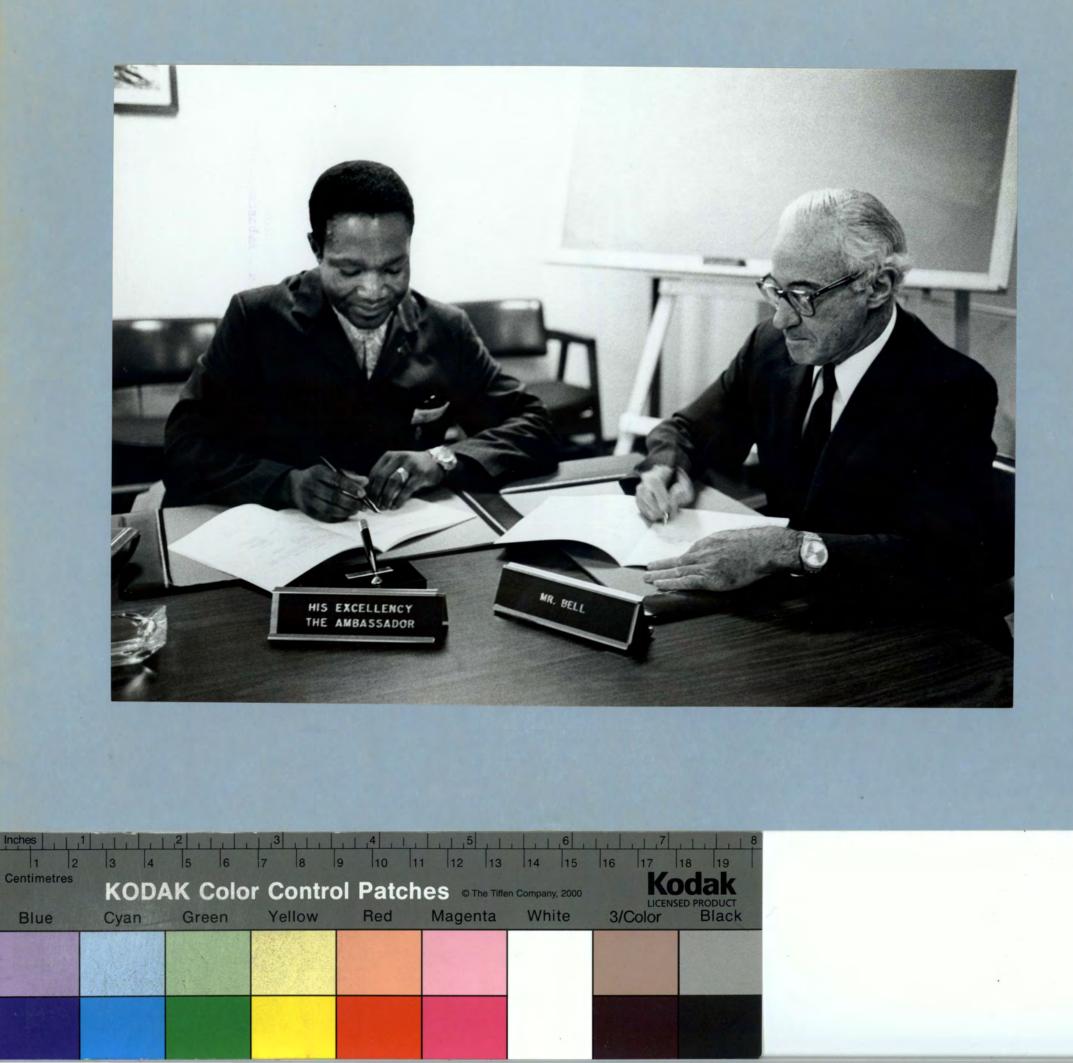
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## INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (IDA) Washington, D.C. 20433

CR-398-CK-1 The INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION has extended an \$8.5 million credit to the Republic of Zaire to help finance a livestock development project in the Shaba region.

This project will be part of Government's program to increase beef production through ranch development. Over six years the project will develop three ranches totalling 1.7 million acres in the Shaba region, Muhila, Mitwaba and Kayembe Mukulu through an autonomous parastatal body (the National Ranching Development Authority, NRDA) to be established initially for project execution and management. The project will also provide for training and for studies specifically aimed at preparation of future projects in the livestock sub-sector and the remainder of the agricultural sector.

Among those present at the signing of the credit documents on June 21, 1973, were, from left to right: His Excellency Lombo Lo Mangamanga, Ambassador of Zaire; and Mr. Bernard R. Bell, Regional Vice President of IDA.

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