

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

6 May 1985 MMB-5006

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Director, FBIS

THROUGH:

Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT:

Monthly Report -- Swaziland Bureau -- April 1985

I. GENERAL

1. Transfer -- Mr. Vusi Mamba, principal secretary in the Swazi Interior Ministry and the bureau's direct contact in the Swazi Government, has been transferred to the Justice Ministry. His successor is Mr. Vusumuzi Dlamini. Mr. Mamba expressed the wish to continue receiving the bureau's file though he is no longer actively involved with it. The bureau is now sending its incoming and outgoing traffic to him as well as his replacement at the Interior Ministry.

2. Air Flights -- Pan Am, the only American carrier to service southern Africa, announced during the month that it was immediately discontinuing its New York-Johannesburg route because of economic difficulties. Embassy and bureau personnel will now have to take considerably longer flights through Europe or Brazil in order to enter the U.S. by American carrier if they are not authorized to fly direct to New York via South African Airways.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Editorial/Monitorial
1. Events in South Africa have continued to dominate the bureau's coverage. On 15 April, the South African president announced plans to abolish the laws banning mixed marriages and also to withdraw South African troops from Angola. The following day the bureau filed reports on Foreign Minister Pik Botha's comments on the withdrawal as well as reaction to Secretary Shultz's speech on the subject. On 18 April the bureau covered a press conference from Cape Town in which the president and foreign minister announced plans for a transitional government in Namibia and challenged U.S. views on South Africa's role in Namibia.

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2. The RAND DAILY MAIL, a Johannesburg daily, ceased publication on 30 April. A widely respected liberal, antigovernment newspaper, it was also the only South African paper the bureau received on a same-day basis. The bureau is now looking into ways to receive the remaining South African dailies on a more current basis.

B. Lateral Services

The American Embassy in Gaborone was added at its request as a lateral addressee to the bureau's file of items dealing with Botswana.

III. ADMINISTRATION

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1. Portuguese monitor received a PSI to FBN 9/8 effective 7 April.

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- 2. Afrikaans/African Languages monitor gave birth to a son during the month. Technician and his wife also became the parents of a son.
 - B. Buildings and Grounds
- 1. The bureau's remote antenna site was completed during the month and all the kinks appear to have been ironed out. It was operating without hitch at the end of the month. Engineer has given all the monitors a tour of the site and a briefing on using the antennas.
- 2. The bureau chief's yard was surveyed and work has begun on new fencing. All bureau property will be surveyed following the discovery of discrepancies between recorded property lines and current fences.

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Chief, Swazıland Bureau

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SWAZILAND BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR APRIL 1985

ī.	TOTALS	FROM	ALL	SOURCES:

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:			
TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH	: 257,41 : 13,91 : 1,03	.0 34	
TOTAL NOMBER OF TODAY	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: (minutes or issues per week)	5,420	8,040	113
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: (publishable words per month)	172,670	51,340	33,400
ANGOLA Luanda Domestic Service in Portuguese Portuguese	16,160	230	÷
Luanda ANGOP in English Luanda ANGOP in French		1,670	
BOTSWANA Gaborone Domestic Service in English Gaborone BOTSWANA DAILY NEWS in English	6,470		
CLANDESTINE (Clandestine) Radio Truth in English to Zimbabwe (Clandestine) Radio Truth in Ndebele to Zimbabwe (Clandestine) Voice of Resistance of the Black Cockerel in Portuguese to Angola (Clandestine) KUP in Portuguese to Southern & Central Africa (Clandestine) KUP in English to Southern & Central AFrica (Clandestine) KUP in French to Southern & Central Africa (Clandestine) Voice of Truth in	2,070	2,710 180	
Portuguese to Angola LESOTHO Maseru Domestic Service in English Maseru Domestic Service in seSotho Maseru LESOTHO WEEKLY in English	4,1	90	

	BROAD- Casts	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
MADAGASCAR			
Antananarivo Domestic Service in French	1,230		
MALAWI	,		
Blantyre Domestic Service in English Blantyre DAILY TIMES in English Blantyre MALAWI NEWS in English	1,190		
MAURITIUS			
Port Louis Domestic Service in English Port Louis Domestic Service in French			
MOCAMBIQUE			
Maputo Domestic Service in Portuguese	.17,430		
Maputo in English to Southern Africa Beira DIARIO DE MOCAMBIQUE in Portuguese Maputo NOTICIAS in Portuguese	4,840		
Maputo TEMPO in Portuguese			
NAMIBIA			
Windhoek Domestic Service in Afrikaans Windhoek DIE REPUBLIKEIN in Afrikaans Windhoek THE WINDHOEK ADVERTISER in English Windhoek WINDHOEK OBSERVER in English Windhoek DIE SUIDWESTER in Afrikaans	250		2,020
SOUTH AFRICA			
Johannesburg Domestic Service in Afrikaans	2,310		
Johannesburg Domestic Service in English	31,920		
Johannesburg International Service in English	13,470		
Johannesburg Television Service in Afrikaans	3,690		
Johannesburg Television Service in English	5,220		

7	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	
Umtata Capital Radio in	12,550		
English Johannesburg SAPA in English Durban ILANGA in		46,550	300
Zulu Johanneburg BEELD in	•	,	330
Afrikaans Johannesburg CITY PRESS in			1,180
English Johannesburg RAND DAILY MAIL in			11,180
English Johannesburg RAPPORT in			1,500
Afrikaans Johannesburg SOWETAN in English			1,110
Johannesburg SUNDAY EXPRESS in English			580
Johannesburg SUNDAY STAR in English			3,580
Johannesburg SUNDAY TIMES in English			2,240
Johannesburg THE CITIZEN in English			
Johannesburg THE STAR in English			1,150
Pretoria DIE TRANSVALER in Afrikaans			1,210
SWAZILAND			
Mbabane Domestic Service in English	3,700		
Mbabane Domestic in siSwati			
Mbabane Television Service in English	2,270		
Mbabane Television Service in	1,470		
siSwati Mbabane THE SWAZI NEWS in			
English Mbabane THE SWAZI OBSERVER in			1,910
English Mbabane THE TIMES OF SWAZILAND in English			930
UNITED KINGDOM			
London BBC World Service in English	5,400		
USSR			
Moscow in Ndebele to Zimbabwe Moscow in Zulu to Southern Africa	3,340		

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ZAMBIA			
Lusaka Domestic Service in English Lusaka Voice of Namibia in	10,890		
English Lusaka Voice of Freedom in English to Southern AFrica Lusaka SUNDAY TIMES OF ZAMBIA in	1,550		
English Lusaka TIMES OF ZAMBIA in English Lusaka ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL in English			480
ZIMBABWE			
Harare Domestic Service in English Harare Domestic Service in	18,550		
Ndebele Harare Voice of Namibia in English	2,510		3,020
Harare THE HERALD in English Harare THE SUNDAY MAIL in			3,020
English Harare The Financial Gazette in English			680