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MANANGA-wa-Pholo
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*Chairman, Economic and Finance
Committee, Legislative Council
(since October 1987)*

Addressed as: Mr. Mananga

Mananga-wa-Pholo was first elected to the Legislative Council, Zaire's unicameral parliament, in 1982. He represents Bas-Zaire Region's Bas-Fleuve district, located on the Atlantic coast. His district includes bauxite deposits, Zaire's only oil wells, and a refinery and is an important agricultural region.

Mananga was born on 9 January 1952 in Kayi-Buende, Bas-Zaire Region. After receiving a bachelor's degree in commercial and industrial science from the University of Zaire in 1975, he became chief of the finance department of a yeast company. Two years later, he returned to his alma mater as an assistant professor in the economics department. During 1978-79 he attended the State University of Antwerp in Belgium, receiving a master's degree in public finance and development management—his thesis won two prizes. Returning to the University of Zaire as a project director in 1982, he concurrently worked as a rate administrator with the Zairian Marine Freight Management Office. He began serving on the Economic and Finance Committee's Economic, Financial, and Planning Subcommittee and joined the legislative group that was concerned with relations with the EC and its affiliated African, Caribbean, and Pacific group of states.

Mananga manages and owns a coffee plantation near his hometown. In addition to fluent French, he speaks Dutch and possibly some English.

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