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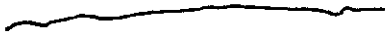
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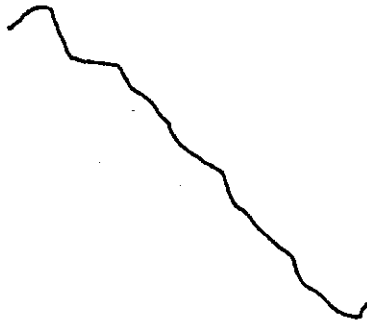
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Playful halo from Devil's Cataract teases a photographer and his assistant who came prepared for the drenching mist of Victoria Falls. No photographs,

thought this was where the government should begin. For its part the government has asked commercial farmers to help with black farmers' plowing in the TTLs. In addition, the master farmers training program is being expanded. "On the surface this looks collaborating with the system we have fought," Eddison Zvobgo said to me, "but people who want land will get it."

The government has already spent about 12.8 million dollars to buy 950,000 acres of white farmland. It will likely be worked as cooperatives or collectives. A year ago a program involving 40,000 people was launched near Shamva, and at another site near Gutu, not far from the Great Zimbabwe ruins.

Last March Zimbabwe unveiled a three-year plan aimed at reconstructing and developing all sectors of the country. Declaring

that in the first ten months of independence Zimbabwe had demonstrated its vigor and resourcefulness, Prime Minister Mugabe called on the international community for funds to help assure Zimbabwe's success. He asked for 1.2 billion dollars, and it was pledged. He said he was overwhelmed.

Worries Remain as Hope Grows

A problem greater than money now is the volatile political situation, which continues to worry whites and blacks.

True, guerrilla dissidence, the flash point of political conflagration, has eased considerably. The last camp was disarmed in May. The commanders of both ZANLA and ZIPRA have been made top officers in the new national army. And in August Mugabe appointed Gen. Alexander Maclean, former head of the Rhodesian army, to head the

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though, ever capture the sound and fury of the Zambezi River that—like the power of Zimbabwe in its second year—may be beautiful or perilous.

new force. Talks on merging ZAPU and ZANU were begun last November.

And the attitudes of some whites are slowly changing, particularly toward Mugabe. It's not uncommon to hear something like this: "Two years ago I was terrified at the thought of a Mugabe government. Now I'm terrified at the thought of a government without Mugabe leading it."

But it's also not uncommon to hear the opinion of people like tobacco farmer Nancy Guild: "Sometimes I think I've been living on the edge of a volcano." She spoke of harassment by youthful guerrillas who were "trying to show they have some authority when they don't have any at all." She almost seemed to say she preferred a shooting war: "Then, after a few shots, at least your neighbors came and helped you drive them off." I couldn't help smiling. Conversations

heard separately have a way of linking peculiar moments. I recalled overhearing in the Meikles Hotel a woman explain how her husband had caught a burglar in the act of robbing their house. When her friend asked why the husband hadn't shot the robber, she replied, "My dear, it's not the way it was 20 years ago."

No, it's not. Large problems, deep divisions still exist, but there is room for cautious optimism. Zimbabwe is more than anything a land of possibilities and, despite the lingering effects of war and colonial rule, those possibilities are being seized.

There are lessons in Zimbabwe's efforts to come to grips with its future and in the tangled relations of its people that many of us, in societies whose edges are beginning to curl from the smolder of disenchantment, perhaps can draw upon. □