



February 13, 2012

To CNN Press Office
Att: Ms. Claudia Coles
London

RE: Rejoinder to CNN response

Dear Ms. Coles,

We appreciate CNN's response to the petition sponsored by **Maka Angola**, urging the network to stop receiving advertisement from the corrupt Angolan regime, and we are encouraged to see that the network is taking this issue seriously and exercising due scrutiny.

We look forward to CNN's review of the issue at hand, specifically the direct allocation of almost US \$17 million from the Angolan presidential budget for Semba Comunicação, a private Angolan company owned and managed by two of the President's children, to engage in a contractual agreement with CNN International for a new advertising campaign. These children are Welwitchea José dos Santos and José Paulino dos Santos.¹

We trust in CNN's advertising standards and practices and we look forward to a definite answer clarifying if the network will refuse, or not, to continue doing business with the regime of President José Eduardo dos Santos.

We invite CNN to contact **Maka Angola** for any additional information. We further offer the clarification that the Angolan General Law of Advertisement, of July 30, 2002, states that all State and official advertisement should be done through a "public tendering procedure" (Art. 35, 1). This law has been violated by the Angolan presidency which allocated, without public tender, and through nepotism and corruption, millions of dollars for the president's children to contract CNN International advertisement services.

Both **Maka Angola** and the signatories of the petition (a growing number of concerned citizens around the world) look forward to hearing from CNN on this matter.

Sincerely,

Rafael Marques de Morais

Director

¹ See the attached articles of incorporation of Semba Comunicação, the company's webpage, and the Angolan Presidency's Budget.