

Education Minister Replaced

President Joaquim Chissano dropped the cabinet's only woman member on January 6th in a minor reshuffle which saw the appointment of new Ministers of Education and Trade.

Mrs. Graca Machel, widow of the Late President Samora Machel, was relieved of the education portfolio which she had held since Mozambican independence in 1975, officials announced. The new Education Minister, Aniceto Dos Muchangos, was formerly director of the Higher Pedagogical Institute, Mozambique's most important teacher training body.

Mr. Chissano also relieved Trade Minister Manuel Aranda Da Silva of his duties, replacing him by his deputy, Daniel Gabriel Tembe.

Mrs. Machel remains a member of the central committee of the ruling Frelimo Party, and of the standing committee of the country's parliament. She is also prominent in the Mozambican women's organisation. (NN 7/1)