

# British aid for Mozambique

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BRITAIN will provide £5 million in additional aid to Mozambique, the British minister for overseas development announced this week.

The minister, Mr Christopher Patten, said at a news conference that discussions were under way with the Mozambican government to select projects to be funded by the aid.

British aid to Mozambique for 1986 totalled about £10,8 million.

On Tuesday, the outgoing American ambassador, Mr Peter de Vos, scheduled to leave Maputo after 3½ years here, said the United States would continue providing economic assistance and emergency food aid to Mozambique, where mil-

lions of people face food shortages because of drought and civil warfare.

● Iran will soon begin supplying Mozambique with oil, declared the Iranian charge d'affaires in Maputo, Mr Ahmad Naghmeh, this week.

Mr Naghmeh did not say when the first shipment of Iranian oil could be expected, but promised that it would be supplied to Mozambique "on favourable terms".

Oil from Iran had been expected after Iranian President Ali Khamenei's visit to Mozambique in January 1986, but none arrived last year. But one of the factors hindering greater Iranian support for Mozambique was the war with Iraq. — ZIANA-AP-AIM.