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IMPLEMENTATION OF URGENT ACTION FOR AFRICA
AND ACTION IN OTHER REGIONS:
COMPILATION OF INFORMATION

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in line with the rest of the SADC member countries. The main objective of this SADC workshop was to develop a regional Strategy to address the mandates of CCD under SADC Sub-Regional Action Programmes.

Malawi celebrated the World Day to combat Desertification with a number of "Awareness Campaigns" during the week 12th to 17th June, 1995. Activities for the World Day included phone in programme and round table discussion on the national radio, banners across roads in the cities of Malawi, newspaper articles and film shows.

In summary, a National Forum has been established comprising all relevant stake holders, government agencies, NGOs. Efforts are underway to involve the civil society in this initiative. The National Forum will be developing an Endowment Fund and projects under NAP as part of the effort to implement the Urgent Action for Africa.