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Massive lake to be created

Angola 7

The African Economic Development News reports that Africa's second largest dam, after the Aswan in Egypt, is to be built in Angola with Brazilian and Soviet assistance, according to reports from Luanda in The Financial Times of London.

A Brazilian Minister recently in Luanda signed agreements relating to the 520 megawatt 'Capanda' hydroelectric and irrigation project, to be situated in Malange province, 250 miles south-east of Luanda on the vast Kwanza River.

Reports said the scheme would cost about 900 million American Dollars, with over two-thirds of the cost coming

from the sale of Angolan oil to Brazil. This follows an agreement last December between Sonangol and Petrobras, the Brazilian state oil companies.

The power station is to be

equipped with Soviet turbine generators to produce electricity for mining activities and electrification projects. A 66 square mile lake behind the dam will provide irrigation for farming.