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Ibbo Mandaza, the editor, is a Zimbabwean scholar and public servant. He has researched and written extensively in the field of social-science and development with particular reference to Zimbabwe and Southern Africa.

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