THIS MAN BOMBA . . .

SIR -- Would you please allow me to say something about this person Lieutenant Bomba from Mozambique, who has bravely opted for oppression.

I pity him and as such I feel very depressed by his remarks. To crown it all he has the "courage" to reveal to our oppressor the manner and system of all our comrades in Maputo.

Such people contribute to the destruction of our brothers and sisters in the black states who are dedicated to the struggle.

We are not in any way going to accept him as our brother. After all, his future masters will have to provide him with accommodation in any of the white surburbs. If one is so determined to reveal our secrets to the agitators, then we sha!; all be in danger.

Mr Bomba is going to suffer for the better part of his life in South Africa. We all regard him as a poison in our food.

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SIR — I would like to say a word concerning a comment made by Bomba when he was interviewed by a reporter.

I was very much disgusted and irritated. He has slammed the black man in the face. His answers and statements were irrelevant altogether. I am puzzled by his manner. Maybe he was spoonfed. He did not speak of what he knew. He spoke of what he was told. This man tells our reporters that there is no difference between blacks and whites here.

He also said we blacks are free. When did he notice that blacks were free? Did he see it or was he told? Note this Bomba, if they told you, surely they were mocking you and if you saw it yourself, it is another case.

You were punch drunk by that free accommondation and free food. Gentlejim, there is nothing free for a black man in this country. As for your aim to be the "first black scientist in South Africa", we have scientists and engineers here who are all suppressed because of their colour.

You should have asked if you wanted to know about blacks. The oppressed would have told you.

Since you are not the Messiah, it was also a futile exercise to ask, "How do we live?" I doubt that you have played an important role in the People's Republic of Mozambique. If you had, you would of course have respect for the black man. It shows you did not play any part, so you are here to steal the limelight at our expense.

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