

**Mozambican government reports successes over rebels** (Excerpt) The Mozambique armed forces recently killed 21 armed bandits and captured 12 in the Marromeu district of Sofala province. This was disclosed by the provincial electoral team in Sofala at a district assessment meeting in Beira. . (Maputo home service in Portuguese 1030 gmt 19 Sep 86)

(Text) About 1,000 people forced to live with armed bandits were recently released in the administrative post of Metia in Monapo district in Nampula. These people are now engaged in production activity and are reorganising their lives after being in captivity for several months. Most of the people are peasants dedicated to peaceful activities organised by grassroots political and administrative structures. (Maputo home service in Portuguese 1030 gmt 19 Sep 86)

(Text) The FPLM [Popular Forces for the Liberation of Mozambique] forces captured 21 armed bandits with their weapons and ammunition in Lugela district, Zambezia province, recently. According to our Voice of Combat correspondent, this bandit group attacked Lugela district in March. It should be recalled that our armed forces recently destroyed an armed bandit camp in Lugela district. It was from this camp that the bandits carried out their terror raids on Lugela and Mocuba districts. In this operation, FPLM forces killed 29 armed bandits and captured another three along with their weapons and ammunition. (Maputo home service in Portuguese 1400 gmt 19 Sep 86)

(Text) The Mozambican armed forces have killed more than 620 armed bandits, captured another 31, and destroyed 15 bandit camps in Zambezia province from January to August this year. These successes were achieved through the intensification of combat action by our armed forces, the head of the Zambezia province military command revealed in an interview with Radio Mozambique's Voice of Combat programme. During operations from January to August, our armed forces also captured an assortment of war materiel, freed more than 1,500 people living under the yoke of the armed bandits, and recovered goods which the criminals had stolen from the people. (Maputo home service in Portuguese 1700 gmt 19 Sep 86)