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# Tanzanian troops leave Mozambique

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**ALL Tanzanian troops who had gone to Mozambique at the request of the Maputo government to help its forces fight the South African-backed MNR bandits have returned home, the defence ministry said yesterday.**

**About 3 000 Tanzanian soldiers had been in Mozambique's Zambezia province since January last year to help the government armed forces there to thwart attempts of the MNR to capture the province.**

**The defence ministry said in a statement that the Tanzanian troops "have successfully completed their tasks and have won praises from their counterparts and people of Mozambique".**

**Tanzanian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence Salim Ahmed Salim told the soldiers on Thursday at a military base near the capital that their excellent performance in all combat missions in Zambezia province had prevented MNR bandits from capturing that area and enhance peace and security there. — Ziana-Xinhua.**

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