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## MOZAMBIQUE: Portuguese intelligence's new *RENAMO* man

The Portuguese Military Intelligence Service, *SIM*, invited *RENAMO*'s leader, **Afonso Dhlakama** to send a new envoy to Lisbon to replace the former representative of the rebel organisation in Portugal, **Joao Almirante**, whose visa renewal application was refused two months ago (ION N°431). Mr Dhlakama's new representative, **José Augusto**, Director of the *RENAMO* Presidency, is housed on the *SIM*'s premises in Carcavelos, near Lisbon. He travels between the *SIM* building, Nairobi and the *RENAMO* base in Gorongosa, in Mozambique.

The Portuguese *SIM* is also quite interested in the activities of some Catholic orders, notably, the Franciscans, who have played a non-negligible role in organising the recent direct negotiations between the *FRELIMO* and the *RENAMO* in Rome (ION N°439).

***I.O.N.-** The arrival of José Augusto seems to signify the end, at least temporarily, of the deterioration in relations between Portugal and the *RENAMO* leader which followed the *SIM*'s invitation to Mr Dhlakama to go to Lisbon, a gesture which was frowned upon by the *Serviços de Informação e Segurança (SIS)* (ION N°426).*