

Further arrests of Portuguese in Beira (ME/7239/B/8: text) Two more Portuguese citizens have been detained in Beira following investigations into activities against the security of the Mozambican state. That was reported yesterday by the Mozambican news agency, AIM. The people in question are Antonio Fernandes Joaquim [phonetic] da Fonseca, a ship's master working with the Beira Industrial Fishing Company, and Antonio Martins da Silva Guerra, official in charge of services of the East African Shipping Enterprise [name given in English]. Antonio Joaquim da Fonseca was accused of publicly spreading propaganda about the activities of the armed bandits in our country among people with whom he was living, and among his workmates. As for Antonio Guerra, he was detained on charges of selling his house in Beira for foreign currency to the Mozambique Manica Freight Services Company with the complicity of the director of this enterprise, (?Henry) Don Hamilton [a Briton], who is also currently detained on suspicion of complicity in acts of sabotage. (Maputo in Portuguese 0430 gmt 25 Jan 83)

Ammunition found near Beira airport (Text) Hundreds of rounds of ammunition, together with automatic arms, rifle magazines and bags containing explosive charges, have been found on the premises of Beira international airport as a result of investigations into activities against the security of the Mozambican state. Our radio station [regional] in Beira has cited a source in the security services as having said that they were looking for the person responsible for this criminal act. The same source disclosed that there had been attempts by people accused of involvement in acts of sabotage and by others who had carried out attempts against the Mozambican state to deny any knowledge of such acts lest they compromise themselves.