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**RENAMO Announces 'Final Phase of Struggle'**

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[Text] Lisbon, 11 Aug (EFE) — The National Resistance of Mozambique (RENAMO) guerrilla group announced today in Lisbon that it has begun the final phase of its struggle against the Maputo government by attacking Inhambane and Lichinga, the capital cities of southern Inhambane and (northern) Niassa Provinces and (Inhaminga), in the central Province of Sofala.

In a communique, RENAMO said that heavy artillery was used during the attacks. Several installations and factories were destroyed in Inhambane, as well as government buildings in Lichinga, and the railroad facilities in (Inhaminga) were occupied.

The occupation lasted 1 month, ending on 25 July. According to the report, 201 government soldiers were killed during the attack, while 263 soliders, 309 militiamen, and 75 women from a female detachment were captured.

According to RENAMO, during the operation against (Inhaminga) a MIG-17 fighter plane was downed and a member of the ruling Frelimo party was captured, with 26 other municipal officials.