

**Mozambique government and rebel military claims (Excerpt) In Niassa province between January and March the Mozambique armed forces shot dead 53 armed bandits. According to source with the provincial military command, during the same period four bandit camps were destroyed in Metete Maua, Metarica, Mecanhelas, and Cuamba, and six criminals and assorted war material were captured. The source said that FPLM repelled an attempt by the armed bandits to storm the Cuamba district capital, killing 21 criminals and capturing an assortment of weapons... (Maputo home service in Portuguese 1700 gmt 29 Apr 86)**