

Summary of World Broadcasts

Mozambique armed forces report operations against “bandits” in Manica (Excerpt) The Mozambique armed forces destroyed seven armed bandit hideouts and killed 132 bandits in Manica in the first half of 1986. During this period, another 32 criminals were captured while six surrendered to the Mozambique armed forces. This information was disclosed during the expanded eight-day meeting of the Manica provincial military command which analysed the defence and security situation in the region. During the meeting, it was also disclosed that a further 4,800 peasants, who had been forced to live with the armed bandits, were released by our troops, while some 500 people surrendered after escaping from the bandits. In the military operations carried out in the first six months of 1986, the Mozambique armed forces captured considerable amounts of war materiel, including 48 AKM cartridges, 20 rockets, 56 mortar shells and 2 boxes of AKM ammunition. . . (Maputo home service in Portuguese 0400 gmt 12 Aug 86)