

Mozambican rebel leader's reported denial on receipt of foreign aid In a dispatch from Maputo on 8th February, the South African agency cited Johannesburg radio reports of a French agency interview with Afonso Dhlakama, leader of the MNR, in which the latter had denied that the movement received any foreign aid but would "gladly accept ... [it] if it was offered". Dhlakama also denied that his movement had been in any way involved in the massacres of civilians attributed to it, such as the one in Homoine in July 1987. These, he said, had been the work of "government forces or foreign troops". The MNR leader stated that his movement had 22,000 fighters and controlled four-fifths of the country.

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