

Mozambique: former MNR 'terrorist' cited on continuing South African support

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A leading member of South Africa's MNR bandits, who had surrendered to the Mozambican authorities in Gaza province earlier this month, has said that the bandits are still receiving supplies from South Africa. The former terrorist, Lopes Sitole [phonetic], who is well-known in his own district of Manjacaze, surrendered on 10th October. He said that although he had never been present personally at any resupplies, he knew that weapons and special goods for MNR leaders continued to arrive from South Africa. Sitole said in southern Mozambique resupplies are made through a so-called provincial base in the region of Goba, near the border with South Africa and Swaziland. He said he belonged to the MNR military intelligence [word indistinct] and that he had been trained by a terrorist who had himself returned from a course in South Africa.

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