

TRANSLATION

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"Africa do Sul Continua a Abastecer o Banditismo"

Inside Mozambique

SOUTH AFRICA CONTINUES TO SUPPLY BANDITISM

- According to Diogo Domingos who spent 11 years with BAs

Diogo Domingos, who spent about 11 years with armed banditism where he worked as instructor of heavy arms and chief of the effectives in the so-called generals base at Chibabava district, Sofala Province, confirmed recently that South African Government is continuing to support destabilization actions in Mozambique supplying armaments and ammunitions to the bandits as well as infiltrating white and black soldiers from that country.

This ex-bandit who recently surrendered to Mozambican authorities in Manica Province, benefiting therefore from Amnesty Law proclaimed by People's Assembly also denounced the traffic of ivory, precious stones and other national resources both to South Africa and Malawi.

He explained that ivory is always transacted to Malawi by a group of criminals in exchange for different food and non-food products which are later sold by traders in bordering areas particularly in Zambezia Province.

He added that before his desertion from bandits last February and his surrender to Mozambican authorities he had seen a group of criminals transporting large quantities of ivory tusks to Malawi.

Diogo Domingos disclosed that in this neighbouring country, with whom Mozambique signed a security agreement, the group of criminals sends a messenger to a local traditional chief (regulo) who will show them how to find the traders already prepared to do the illicit business.

"I am certain that ivory is taken to that country with knowledge of Malawian Government because its police force stationed in the border helps armed bandits to go into their country" - said that ex-chief of bandits who spent years at Borongo base together with the so-called generals of the armed bandits now destroyed by FAM/FPLM.

On the occasion he also denounced that, adding to the ivory, Malawi is cooperating with armed bandits particularly when they take to flight from FAM persecution inside the country as well as is sending back, directly to the bandits, Mozambican refugees in that country.

He added that Malawian Police, in order not to be mistrusted, is repatriating Mozambican refugees to those bandits and to Mozambican governmental authorities.

This ex-chief of effectives and instructor of heavy arms said that he entered coercively BAs ranks in 1978, was trained during 14 months in South Rodhesia and was then sent to Mozambique to carry on destructive actions and murder of defenceless population, already commissioned as captain.