

(Further bandit attacks)

Bandits of the South African backed MNR killed three people and wounded four others in an attack on the small town of Amatongas in the central Mozambican province of Manica on 29 March, a source in the General Staff of the Mozambican armed forces (FPLM) told AIM on 16 April.

In the raid the bandits burned down five houses, and stole medicines from the local health post. They also looted the Amatongas educational centre, stealing mattresses, school material, students' clothing, and even the curtains from the dormitories and classrooms. Amatongas is in the Beira Corridor, on the strategic railway that links Zimbabwe to the Indian Ocean port of Beira. It is 150 kilometres west of Beira.

AIM's source also said that on 8 April bandits attacked the remote town of Metarica in the northern province of Niassa. No details of this raid have yet reached Maputo.

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