

S African report says Mozambican forces shot down MNR official's plane (ME/0512 ii) Radio South Africa (Johannesburg) on 19th July cited reports from Lisbon as saying that Mozambican military forces "have shot down an aircraft in which the Renamo [MNR] leader, Mr Afonso Dhlakama, apparently was due to have flown to Kenya". President Chissano of Mozambique had said the aircraft had been shot down over the central province of Sofala where the MNR's main base is located, the radio reported. It added that the Portuguese news agency Lusa had quoted diplomatic sources in Maputo as saying that the aircraft was to have taken Dhlakama to Nairobi for a meeting with church leaders on the 19th aimed at ending the civil war in Mozambique. 20/7/89