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## MOZAMBIQUE

**EC finance for agricultural storage project** A gradual improvement has been observed in agricultural marketing. However, other problems have emerged, particularly the shortage of storehouses. Jose Mara, director of the agricultural enterprise commercial department in Maputo, has said that measures are being taken to find a short- and medium-term solution to this problem of storing surplus produce.

[Mara - recording] We stored 150,000 t of produce, but 35% got spoiled. So, we have embarked on emergency storage projects to resolve this problem. Specifically, as a short-term measure we are buying canvas for the open-air preservation of produce. In addition, we have a project to construct 20,500 t storehouses in a number of districts throughout the country. We are about to ask for tenders for the assembly and supply of materials for this project, which is financed by the EC. Only next year we will finish constructing and assembling these storehouses throughout the country. (*Radio Mozambique, Maputo, in Portuguese 1030 gmt 24 Aug 89*)

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