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PREPARE FOR S.A. WAR

MAPUTO must prepare for war with South Africa, the chairman of the City Council, Mr. Antonio Hama Thai, said at the weekend.

Speaking to secretaries of the city's Dynamising Groups — grassroots political organisations which function in each of the city's suburbs — the council chairman stressed the importance of military training. AIM, the official Mozambique news agency, reported yesterday.

Training courses held in the city so far were only for conventional warfare, but local officials should also be prepared for guerilla warfare as South Africa was using the infil-

tration of armed bandits to disrupt Mozambique, Mr. Hama Thai said.

He warned that bandits could slip into the city "under any guise" and great vigilance was necessary to detect this.

Area heads should know everyone living in their area and keep a close watch on strangers. Those not authorised to stay in the city should be sent back to their places of origin, he said.

The Dynamising Groups should draw up lists of all those unemployed in their areas and ensure that they took part in collective work. Mr. Hama Thai added. — Ziana.