

SA infiltration D.N. 5.11.1982 ploy exposed

Maputo, Thursday.
BLACK soldiers of various nationalities are recruited by the special services of the South African army to fight inside Mozambique, the Maputo *Daily Noticias* reported here.

The paper quoted a statement by a British former mercenary with the South

African forces, Dean Shelley, as saying that black soldiers dressed in uniforms similar to those of the Mozambican army, are infiltrated into Mozambique.

The black soldiers are sometimes murdered and abandoned to give the appearance that Mozambican soldiers have been killed by anti-Mozambican bandits. *Noticias* said.

Dean Shelley is reported as saying that he was first recruited as a mercenary by the rebel Rhodesian army of Ian Smith, and later went to fight in Angola and Namibia.

After joining the special forces of the apartheid army, the British mercenary took part in several operations in independent countries in the region, including kidnapping refugees suspected of belonging to the African National Congress (ANC) of South Africa.

According to the *Noticias* report, the average payment for each operation was in the region of 500 rands.

Shelley said he had been in several camps in South Africa where the armed bands receive training to fight in Mozambique. He said, however, that the same bandits were used indiscriminately against other independent countries, and against the ANC.

Noticias says Dean Shelley's statement is further proof of the Pretoria regime's attempts to destabilise not only Mozambique, but also all the independent countries in Southern Africa.