

FRELIMO AGAIN ATTACKS ZONA TEA ESTATES

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THE Combined Operations Headquarters communique which last night announced the murder by terrorists of Mr Pretorius also disclosed that at midday yesterday there had been another rocket and mortar attack on Zona Tea Estates.

The tea estates, which run along the Mozambique border near Mount Selinda, have been subjected to many unprovoked attacks by Frelimo in the past two years.

Yesterday's attack was the first reported incident of fire by Frelimo since the heavy barrage lasting several hours on February 20.

The fire was initiated from Frelimo positions within Mozambique at Espungabera.

Security forces returned the fire to neutralise the Frelimo positions.

Espungabera is a major Frelimo garrison town from where a number of joint Frelimo-ZANLA incursions into Rhodesia have been launched.

No indication was given last night of damage caused in the latest incident.

Last night's communique also announced that security forces had killed three more terrorists and one terrorist collaborator. Two tribespeople have been killed in crossfire, and three have been murdered by terrorists.