

Mozambique resistance leader on increased ANC activity (Text) The Renamo [Mozambique National Resistance - MNR] movement in Mozambique has warned the West that it will be impossible to restore to normal operation the railway lines passing through Mozambique. In an interview with the SABC, Renamo's European director, Mr Paulo d'Oliviera, referred to proposals made by the Reagan administration that the USA should help Mozambique restore the so-called Beira corridor, which is the railway line, road and pipeline linking Zimbabwe with Beira in Mozambique, as well as Britain's proposal to help restore the railway line between Malawi and Nacala in northern Mozambique.

Mr d'Oliviera said that restoring these services would be impossible because the pressure of the war was the greatest in these areas of Mozambique. He said that no railway lines in the country could be restored until the war ended. During the interview Mr d'Oliviera confirmed the South African allegations of increased ANC activity in Mozambique. He said that in fact the ANC had never left Maputo and that Renamo intelligence reports were that ANC leader Joe Slovo had been seen in Mozambique on several occasions recently. Mr d'Oliviera again denied that Malawi was helping Renamo. He said Renamo forces were in control of several new areas in Mozambique and that great pressure was being exerted on the Frelimo government. (Johannesburg home service in English 1100 gmt 15 Oct 86)