

Mozambique: Maputo groups discuss measures against S African attack (Text) The Frelimo party committee in Maputo city yesterday held a meeting with representatives of political, military and administrative structures of the capital in order to discuss measures needed to defend the town if South Africa attacks. The meeting was chaired by the party secretary for defence of Maputo city, Aurelio Manhica. It was attended by district commanders of the people's militia, secretaries of the city's (?neighbourhoods), representatives of mass democratic organisations and public institutions. Mr Manhica warned some heads of neighbourhoods against issuing identity papers to individuals they do not know. He said government and other public (?places) should organise first aid kits, fire fighting equipment, and rigorous control of entry into the buildings as well as of important official documents. A close watch should be kept on strangers who might appear in public places. The meeting also noticed that schoolchildren and teachers in the Mozambican capital should be organised to know how to evacuate from premises in case of an emergency.

The Mozambican Women's Organisation was asked to be an active participant in this area as well as help organise evacuation methods for hospitals. Neighbourhoods should revive the patrol of their streets involving all those residents who have already received military training. The meeting was called in the wake of South Africa's continued threats against Mozambique, accompanied by the infiltration of commando units to commit acts of terrorism. (Maputo in English for abroad 1100 gmt 16 Oct 86)