

# Machel's tragic death to be discussed by MPs

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HE Assembly is to discuss a five-point motion on the death in a plane crash in South Africa of President Machel of Mozambique, and the after-

math of the tragic event.

This was announced in the House yesterday when it sat for the first time since its adjournment in September not long after the conclusion of the Non-Aligned Move-

ment summit in Harare, which saw Zimbabwe's appointment of chairman of the 101-nation Third World body.

The announcement about President Machel was made by the leader of the House and the Minister of Justice, Legal

and Parliamentary Affairs, Cde Eddison Zvobgo, who said he would introduce the motion on the late president today.

Before business began yesterday, the Speaker, Cde Didymus Mutasa, asked MPs to observe a moment's silence in honour of President Machel whose successor, Cde Joachim Chissano, the foreign minister, was announced in Maputo on Monday.

Cde Zvobgo said the motion would ask the House to lament the death of Cde Machel in circumstances that left "much to be desired".

The motion, said Cde Zvobgo, would also ask the House to: "Convey the (revolutionary condolences) of the people and Government of Zimbabwe to the ruling party, the government and the people of Mozambique on the death of their leader, and convey similar condolences to Cde Machel's widow, Cde Graca Machel."

The motion would also ask the House to "congratulate Prime Minister Cde Mugabe on his leadership in demonstrating Zimbabwe's solidarity with Mozambique at the time of mourning; congratulate Cde Chissano on his election as the new leader and pledge Zimbabwe's full support against the MNR bandits in Mozambique seeking to topple the Maputo government."

The motion will have the effect of allowing every member of the House, who desires, to speak on the death of the late president and the mysterious circumstances surrounding the air crash that killed him in northern Natal on Sunday, October 19.