

Peace talks with MNR²⁵ refuted^H $\frac{11}{86}$

THE general secretary of the Christian Council of Mozambique, the Rev Filipe Banze, yesterday denied that he had said, as Ziana reported, that a mediation team had been set up to talk to the MNR bandits.

He said leaders of CCM churches had met with the Mozambican government to discuss ways of ending the war. The government gave the leaders the freedom, if they wished, to contact the MNR leaders and explain what the war was doing to the country and how people were suffering and dying.

The CCM set up a peace and reconciliation committee which would, among its tasks, suggest to churches possible projects to further peace and reconciliation. The committee would also seek local help for victims of the MNR attacks and massacres. — Herald Reporter.