

## **CPSU Delegation's Visit to Mozambique**

Maputo in Russian for abroad 1107 gmt 14 Nov 81

Telegraph Agency of the Soviet Union in Russian for abroad 1540 and in English 1635 gmt 14 Nov 81

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Ashkhabad radio 1315 gmt 15 Nov 81

Moscow home service 1600 gmt 15 Nov 81

Speaking at a reception for the Frelimo leadership on 13th November, as reported by Tass from Maputo (in Russian for abroad 1107 gmt 14 Nov 81), Rashidov noted the progress achieved since the proclamation of the People's Republic of Mozambique and said "the Party plays a leading role in all spheres of the life of Mozambican society... On its chosen path of building a new society the Mozambican people is not alone... It has sincere friends in the Soviet Union and the countries of the socialist community. The friendly relations between the Soviet Union and the People's Republic of Mozambique, our solidarity and co-operation, now act as an influential factor in maintaining peace and averting war." Tass also reported him as saying that questions of economic co-operation, "which is developing and growing increasingly strong", had been discussed during the visit.

On the 14th, Tass reported (in Russian for abroad 1540 and in English 1635 gmt 14 Nov 81), Rashidov and his delegation were received by President Samora Machel, who said that "together with the Soviet Union and other socialist countries, as well as with all progressive mankind, the Mozambican people will work for stronger peace and security of nations and will oppose imperialism, capitalism and racialism".

The delegation left for home later on the 14th, Tass reported (in Russian for abroad 1615 gmt 14 Nov 81). Speaking before his departure, Rashidov said that the delegation attached particular importance to the "important talk" with President Machel, adding: "Comrade Machel is well known in our country as a tireless struggler against imperialism and colonialism, for peace and social progress, and as a man who is making a great contribution to the struggle of the peoples of Africa to root out the vestiges of colonialism and racialism."

Ashkhabad radio reported (1315 gmt 15 Nov 81) that the delegation had arrived in Tashkent on 15th November, and the home service noted (1600 gmt 15 Nov 81) that it had reached Moscow on the same day and had been met at the airport by Solomentsev.