Mozambique to end flogging law

Mozambique is abolishing its controversial flogging law, according to the news agency AIM last week.

The 1983 law introduced the punishment of between three and 105 lashes for major theft, armed robbery, child molest-

ing, and illicit trading practices, such as black marketeering and speculation. It has been gradually falling into disuse, but when it was introduced it brought widespread international condemnation.