

**B. AFRICA****Mozambique President's Speech at Harare Rally**

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Excerpts from live relay of a speech by Joaquim Chissano at a rally in Rufaro stadium in Harare (ME/8507/ii):

[Chissano begins by leading the crowd in a Frelimo song] The song which you have just heard - you heard it many times. But that song has got a meaning which is stronger today, because it is a song of the Mozambican people thanking our party, Frelimo; thanking their leader, Samora Machel, and all other leaders; thanking the people of Zimbabwe and their leaders, namely the president of ZANU and Prime Minister Robert Mugabe each day. And Mugabe knew how to liberate the country. He knows how to liberate the people, and therefore we shall win. We shall win. We shall build our country, we shall eat enough, we shall guard freedom, we shall be happy under the leadership of Comrade Mugabe. That is our way of expressing our thanks for all that you have done - all what you have done for the liberation of Mozambique and Zimbabwe. For it became clear that we cannot have the liberation of Mozambique without the liberation of Zimbabwe, as we cannot have the liberation of Zimbabwe without the liberation of Mozambique [applause]. You must not thank us for having died in Zimbabwe, for dying in Zimbabwe is the same as dying in Mozambique. We are not going to thank you for dying in Mozambique, for you are dying for your own cause. As we are saying that if we die in Zimbabwe we are dying for our own cause.

What we are going to do is to thank you for having learned your duty faithfully - your duty. You may say we don't have to this day, because it is our duty [as heard]. Yet, everybody has got a duty, but not everybody fulfils that duty. You have fulfilled your duty with courage. That is why we thank you. Comrades, the unity of Mozambique and Zimbabwe is not a recent event. I will therefore refer to history. I will like to go back to the history of Monomotapa, to the empire of Gaza. I will ask to remind you that the first liberation movement to be formed to liberate Mozambique was formed right here in Harare, here in Zimbabwe and in Bulawayo. That is where we took our inspiration from. We took our inspiration from your struggle against colonialism. You have been our rearguard for many years; since the fifties you have been our rearguard. The unity of Mozambique and Zimbabwe cannot be destroyed by anyone... [tragedy of Machel's death]

Now we have to intensify the struggle without fear, because the victory is certain. The struggle for liberation is irreversible because the (?Frelimo) party has enough people who are determined to fight. Who is going to stop them? Therefore, a luta continua [the struggle continues]! Then we may say President Machel was at the (?head) of the Mozambican people because he knew that these people were not alone. These people had friends in the region - the friends in Zimbabwe, of all frontline states, and that each man, woman - young or old - in Zimbabwe was a soldier of the revolution, who would defend the independence, the freedom which was won with blood.

There are people from outside who do not know Zimbabwe, who do not know Mozambique, who do not know the road through which we had to pass in order to conquer our independence, who do not know that our independence was sponsored by the people, who could see that they had to die rather than (?assassinate) our leaders. Now, they do this because they do not know that the people will defend all the things of the revolution. There are people from outside who think that they might try to buy President Mugabe for changing to the left or to the right according to their poor vision. They forget that Mugabe is first of all a Zimbabwean and that he is here to serve the interests of Zimbabwe. They forget that the interests of Zimbabwe mean to safeguard the

independence of Zimbabwe. In Mozambique, too, we are there to (?honour) and safeguard the independence of Mozambique. Those decisions are to be taken by the people of Mozambique. We do not (?appreciate) interference. We will never bow to pressure. We will not accept violence to make us deviate from our aims, the aims which won, decided by the people. Though they keep going calling [as heard], because we know that this independence was hard to conquer. It meant blood. We will educate the young generation in this field, and today we know that we are definitely to do it together with our comrades in Zimbabwe.

There are people from outside who are trying to divide Mozambique from Zimbabwe, in that they will tell the Mozambican: Look, be careful, these Zimbabweans want to dominate you. Therefore, they are coming here. They are not helping you, they want to infiltrate, and they want to dominate you. Those people do not know that the unity of Zimbabwe and Mozambique is not artificial - it means blood. There are people who would come to Zimbabwe and say: Look, Mr Mugabe, you overestimate your capability, your capacity. You are wasting money. You are keeping a big army in Mozambique. You have enough to do in here, in Zimbabwe. Why are you wasting money in Mozambique?

These people want to cheat. They want the Zimbabweans to fold their hands, to forget their own (?labours), to forget their own culture, so that they can work on our economies, involving their friends with this devilish advice to crush and dominate forever, so that after that deny our wealth from the Indian Ocean to Zimbabwe, in order to get the true liberation, the economic liberation [sentence as heard]. These are the forces who are preparing to (?sabotage) independence to perpetrate their own ways so that Zimbabwe must depend on the harbours of South Africa for its exports and imports. And they come to tell President Mugabe: you are wasting money. These are the thieves who would like to see the whole region continue to kneel to Botha in order to get some jobs, in order to get some food, in order to get routes - in other words these are the (?tactics) to stop our development.

But they are mistaken. Our liberation cannot be stopped, and Boers cannot stop the wind with the flames. The wind will burst, will break through - even the big wall never succeeded to stop the wind. Even the North Pole never succeeded to stop the wind; the winds find always their way and they move. They cannot cheat because no one can fight a fire with a newspaper. The newspaper will burn, and we have the truth. We cannot be cheated, and the truth is that we have the strength, the strength of many men and women of Zimbabwe, many millions of Mozambicans, many millions of South Africans, many millions of Africans. And this is our strength. Not the strength because we are many - it is a strength because we are many united. That is why our unity is not artificial. The unity is based in very complex role which we want to achieve, and what we want to achieve and what we might achieve is further freedom, independence, welfare, well-being - a total advancement is the recovery of our dignity and we have to want to recover its (?esteem), understanding in the world. . . [Need to carry Machel's revolution forward]

Samora's (?sons) are many. They are growing up in numbers and strength. Therefore, let us be confident. They will reopen the traffic of our railways into the south (?from) Harare (?into) Maputo [applause]. You will be visiting the beaches of Ponta do Ouro, at the border with South Africa. You will be visiting the beaches of Beira through the railway (?from) Harare, up to Beira [applause]. You will be exporting your goods through the railway of Nacala [applause]. We are not afraid about the threats by the South Africans, I'd rather say, by the Boers [applause]. We will not be threatened because they say: Let the Beira corridor be rebuilt and we are going to destroy it so that the whole region continues to depend on us. We will not allow that to happen. We will fight to the end because this means our life, (?for) Zimbabwe and for the whole region. We will not kneel before the bandits. For the Boers and their (?allies), they are saying: You have no way out, you have to negotiate with the bandits. They are busy trying to find (?other) [word indistinct] in order to make us negotiate with the bandits. Smith, Ian Smith, with the Boers in South Africa, created this group of terrorists. They gave them different names: Africa livre - free Africa; Mozambique livre - [free Mozambique], Renamo, MNR, [word indistinct], Fumo [Mozambique United Front], a lot of names for the same (?group) in order to try and deceive the world, in order to create conditions in order to destroy the power, the people's power in Mozambique.

They failed. (?They started this) in 1976, but they did not succeed. The people of Mozambique did not accept (?deception). Now they are trying by (?all means) to see if we can share power - the people's power, to be shared with a group of terrorists created by the criminal regime of apartheid. They want us to share power with them. We say no [applause]. We say no because we don't want to share power with apartheid. We don't want to share power with colonialists, for this group, these bandits, are a product of apartheid and a product of colonialism.

If they were not a product of colonialism, if they were not a product of apartheid, they would not massacre the people. If they (?belonged) to Mozambique, if they deserved any respect, they would not massacre their own people, they would not burn their own villages, they would not destroy all what we are constructing in Mozambique. But because they are representing regimes who are not interested with the welfare [of] the people, they are destroying everything. They are cutting noses, lips, breasts of women, arms, legs of men and women. They are criminals, and therefore we cannot think even for one minute to share power or to negotiate with them. We don't negotiate with criminals. We fight them to death [applause].

Thank you for having this determination - the same determination as the people of Mozambique have. That way you give us, once more, the confidence that we shall win, that we can overcome. [slogans in Shona, applause] A luta continua! [applause]