

**Bombs and hit-men take toll of African
National Congress**

**Mozambique claims
SA agents
hit ANC members
London vigil for Slovo's wife**

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LONDON — Yesterday's 12-hour vigil outside South Africa House here was transformed during the lunch-hour to mark the death of Mrs Ruth First.

The main purpose of the vigil was to commemorate the first anniversary of death sentences passed on ANC members Johannes Shabangu, Anthony Tsotsobe and David Mofe.

Mr Gavin Williams, a South African politics don at St Peter's College, Oxford, has joined those who claim the Republic was involved in the murder of Mrs First in Maputo on Tuesday.

Mr Williams has just finished editing Mrs First's last book — a study of Mozambique miners who migrated to the South African gold mines.

He said on Wednesday: "Anyone who knows how the South African State operates will be 99 percent certain that she has been killed by the South African department of dirty tricks."

In a moderately extensive obituary notice, the Times yesterday described Mrs First as "an incisive writer, a practical academic and a creative revolutionary at the heart of the liberation struggle in southern Africa". — Own correspondent.