

Down raid blamed on SA

LISBON. — South Africa has been blamed for a pre-dawn raid in Mozambique near the border with Swaziland last Sunday in which two Mozambicans and a Portuguese farming specialist died.

Anop, the Portuguese national news

agency, said in a report from Maputo Portugal's embassy had received an official note from Mozambique's Ministry of Agriculture saying the raid on Namaacha, about 80 km west of Maputo, had been the work of "South African comandos".

Initial reports of the raid described one of the raiders as a White soldier with his face painted black, but later reports said all the attackers had been Portuguese-speaking Blacks.

According to Anop, the Mozambicans said investigations into the action were nearing completion, but gave no further details.

Mr Antonio de Figueiredo, reported work-

ing for Mozambique's Ministry of Agriculture in the area, was killed by gunshot as he answered a knock on his door during the raid.

The Namaacha attack came two days after Mozambique

President Samora Machel said South Africa was waging an "undeclared war" against his Marxist Government and five days after a parcel bomb killed South African exile Ruth First at her Maputo office. — Sapa-AP.

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