

o Forty-four people are officially confirmed to have been killed in Mozambique's worst air disaster on 31 March at Pembe, capital of Cabo Delgado province. Among those who died when the Mozambican air force Antonov-6 transport clashed on take-off were Maria Chipande, wife of Defence Minister Alberto Chipande; she was a founder member of Frelimo and of the women's detachment of the army during the independence war. Other dead included seven other leading province officials, and the aircraft's three Soviet crew members.

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